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1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE/MIXTURE AND THE COMPANY/UNDERTAKING

Product Name POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE

Product Code(s) BDH9262-2.5KG : BDH9262-500G

Recommended Use For Further Manufacturing Use Only
Not for Human or Animal Drug Use

Synonyms CAUSTIC POTASH * HYDROXYDE DE POTASSIUM (FRENCH) *
KALIUMHYDROXID (GERMAN) * KALIUMHYDROXYDE (DUTCH) * LYE *
POTASSA * POTASSECAUSTIQUE (FRENCH) * POTASSIO (IDROSSIDO DI)
(ITALIAN) * POTASSIUMHYDRATE * POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE (ACGIH) *
POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE, SOLID (UN1813) (DOT) * POTASSIUM
HYDROXIDE, SOLUTION (UN1814) (DOT) * POTASSIUM (HYDROXYDE DE)
(FRENCH) * UN1813 (DOT) * UN1814 (DOT) *

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2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

GHS - Classification

Classification Acute Toxicity Oral 4 Skin Corrosion 1A

Signal Word Danger



Hazard Statements

H302 - Harmful if swallowed H314 - Causes severe skin burns and eye damage

Precautionary Statements

P280 - Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection
P302+ P352 - IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water P304 + P340 - IF
INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for
breathing P305 + P351 + P338 - IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for
several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue
rinsing P310 - Immediately call a POISON CENTRE or doctor/physician

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Chemical Name	EC No.	REACH Reg. No.	CAS-No	Weight %	Classification
Potassium hydroxide	EEC No. 215-181-3	Not available	1310-58-3	95-100	Xn; R22 C; R35

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Eye Contact

Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and consult a physician.

Skin Contact

Wash off immediately with soap and plenty of water removing all contaminated clothes and shoes. Call a physician immediately.

Inhalation

Move to fresh air. If breathing becomes difficult, give oxygen.

Ingestion

Clean mouth with water and afterwards drink plenty of water. Consult a physician.

Notes to Physician

Treat symptomatically.

5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

Flammable Properties

Not flammable.

Flash Point

Not determined

Suitable Extinguishing Media

Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.

Hazardous Combustion Products

Carbon oxides, Contact with metals may evolve flammable hydrogen gas.

Explosion Data

Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact

Not sensitive.

Sensitivity to Static Discharge

Not sensitive.

Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

- Personal Precautions** Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Use personal protective equipment. Ensure adequate ventilation.
- Methods for Containment** Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so.
- Methods for Cleaning Up** Avoid dust formation. Pick up and transfer to properly labeled containers. Ventilate area and wash spill site after material pickup is complete.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

- Handling** Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Hygroscopic. Never add water to this material, always add material to water.
- Storage** Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Hygroscopic.
- Incompatible Products** Acids. Aluminium. Chlorinated solvents. Nitro compounds. Organic materials. Acid chlorides. Anhydrides. Magnesium. Copper. Tin /Tin oxides. Zinc.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

Chemical Name	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH IDLH
Potassium hydroxide 1310-58-3			Ceiling: 2 mg/m ³

Engineering Measures Showers
 Eyewash stations
 Ventilation systems.

Personal Protective Equipment

- Eye/Face Protection** Tightly fitting safety goggles.
- Skin and Body Protection** Wear protective gloves/clothing.
- Respiratory Protection** If exposure limits are exceeded or irritation is experienced, NIOSH/MSHA approved respiratory protection should be worn. Positive-pressure supplied air respirators may be required for high airborne contaminant concentrations. Respiratory protection must be provided in accordance with current local regulations.

Hygiene Measures Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance	White
Odor	No information available
Odor Threshold	No information available
Decomposition Temperature °C	No information available
Freezing Point	No information available
Initial Boiling Point	No information available
Physical State	Solid Pellets
pH	(in aqueous solution) 13.5
Flash Point	Not determined
Autoignition Temperature	No data available
Boiling Point/Range	No data available
Melting Point/Range	361 °C
Flammability Limits in Air	Upper No data available Lower No data available
Explosive Properties	No information available
Oxidizing Properties	No information available
Evaporation Rate	No data available
MMHG @ 37.8 C	No data available
Vapor Density	No data available
Specific Gravity	2.044
Solubility	No information available
Water Solubility	Exothermic Very soluble in water
Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)	No data available
Viscosity	No information available
Molecular Weight	56.11

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Stability	Stable under recommended storage conditions.
Incompatible Products	Acids. Aluminium. Chlorinated solvents. Nitro compounds. Organic materials. Acid chlorides. Anhydrides. Magnesium. Copper. Tin /Tin oxides. Zinc.
Conditions to Avoid	Protect from moisture.
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Carbon oxides. Hydrogen gas.
Hazardous Polymerization	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute Toxicity

Product Information	Corrosive, causes burns. Toxic if swallowed.
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Chemical Name	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Potassium hydroxide	214 mg/kg (Rat)		

Chronic Toxicity

Chronic Toxicity	No known effect based on information supplied.
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Target Organ Effects None known.

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity

Harmful to aquatic organisms.

Chemical Name	Toxicity to Algae	Toxicity to Fish	Microtox	Daphnia Magna (Water Flea)
Potassium hydroxide		LC50= 80 mg/L Gambusia affinis 96 h		
Chemical Name			Log Pow	
Potassium hydroxide			= 0.65 = 0.83	

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste Disposal Method Dispose of material in accordance with all federal, state, and local regulations.

Contaminated Packaging Dispose of in accordance with all federal, state and local regulations.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

IATA

UN-No 1813
 Proper Shipping Name Potassium Hydroxide Solid
 Hazard Class 8
 Packing Group II

DOT

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 Hazard Class 8
 UN-No 1813
 Packing Group II

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

REACH Title VII Restrictions No information available.

Chemical Name	Dangerous Substances	Organic Solvents	Harmful Substances Whose Names Are to be Indicated on the Label	Pollution Release and Transfer Registry (Class II):	Pollution Release and Transfer Registry (Class I):	Poison and Deleterious Substances Control Law:
Potassium hydroxide	>=>=1 % weight	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Deleterious

Component	ISHA - Harmful Substances Prohibited for Manufacturing, Importing, Transferring, or Supplying	ISHA - Harmful Substances Requiring Permission	Toxic Chemical Classification Listing (TCCL) - Toxic Chemicals	Toxic Release Inventory (TRI) - Group I	Toxic Release Inventory (TRI) - Group II
Potassium hydroxide 1310-58-3 (95-100)	Not applicable	Not applicable	97-1-137, 5 % or more in mixtures	Not applicable	>= 1.0 %

International Inventories

TSCA	Complies
EINECS/ELINCS	Complies
ENCS	Complies
IECSC	Complies
KECL	Does not Comply
PICCS	Complies
AICS	Complies

U.S. Federal Regulations

SARA 313

Section 313 of Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA). This product does not contain any chemicals which are subject to the reporting requirements of the Act and Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 372.

SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories

Acute Health Hazard	Yes
Chronic Health Hazard	No
Fire Hazard	No
Sudden Release of Pressure Hazard	No
Reactive Hazard	No

Clean Water Act

This product contains the following substances which are regulated pollutants pursuant to the Clean Water Act (40 CFR 122.21 and 40 CFR 122.42).

Component	CWA - Reportable Quantities	CWA - Toxic Pollutants	CWA - Priority Pollutants	CWA - Hazardous Substances
Potassium hydroxide 1310-58-3 (95-100)	1000 lb			X

Clean Air Act, Section 112 Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs) (see 40 CFR 61)

This product does not contain any substances regulated as hazardous air pollutants (HAPS) under Section 112 of the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990.

CERCLA

Chemical Name	Hazardous Substances RQs	Extremely Hazardous Substances RQs
Potassium hydroxide	1000 lb	

U.S. State Regulations

California Proposition 65

This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals.

U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations

Chemical Name	Massachusetts	New Jersey	Pennsylvania	Illinois	Rhode Island
Potassium hydroxide	X	X	X		X

International Regulations

Mexico - Grade No information available.

Canada

WHMIS Hazard Class

D1B Toxic materials

E Corrosive material



16. OTHER INFORMATION

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Revision Note
No information available

Recommended Restrictions No information available

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