

SAFETY DATA SHEET

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1. Identification

Product identifier

Product Name POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE, 20 PERCENT (W/V) AQUEOUS SOLUTION

Other means of identification

Product Code(s) P-380

UN/ID no UN1814

Synonyms None

Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use

Recommended use No information available

Restrictions on use No information available

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Supplier Address

Spectrum Chemical Mfg. Corp.
14422 South San Pedro St.
Gardena, CA 90248
(310) 516-8000

Emergency telephone number

Emergency Telephone Chemtrec 1-800-424-9300

2. Hazard(s) identification

Classification

Acute toxicity - Oral	Category 4
Skin corrosion/irritation	Category 1 Sub-category A
Serious eye damage/eye irritation	Category 1
Corrosive to metals	Category 1

Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)

Not applicable

Label elements

Danger

Hazard statements

Harmful if swallowed
Causes severe skin burns and eye damage
May be corrosive to metals



Appearance Clear

Physical state Liquid

Odor No information available

Precautionary Statements - Prevention

Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling
Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product
Do not breathe dusts or mists
Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection
Keep only in original container

Precautionary Statements - Response

Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor
Specific treatment (see .? on this label)
IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing
Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor
IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ shower
Wash contaminated clothing before reuse
IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing
Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor
IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor if you feel unwell
Rinse mouth
Do NOT induce vomiting
Absorb spillage to prevent material damage

Precautionary Statements - Storage

Store locked up.
Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed
Store in corrosive resistant/ .? container with a resistant inner liner

Precautionary Statements - Disposal

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

Other information

No information available.

3. Composition/information on ingredients

Substance

Not applicable.

Mixture

Chemical name	CAS No	Weight-%
Water	7732-18-5	80 - 100
Potassium Hydroxide	1310-58-3	10 - 20

4. First-aid measures

Description of first aid measures

General advice

Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Immediate medical attention is required.

Inhalation	Remove to fresh air. If breathing has stopped, give artificial respiration. Get medical attention immediately. Do not use mouth-to-mouth method if victim ingested or inhaled the substance; give artificial respiration with the aid of a pocket mask equipped with a one-way valve or other proper respiratory medical device. If breathing is difficult, (trained personnel should) give oxygen. Delayed pulmonary edema may occur. Get immediate medical advice/attention.
Eye contact	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Keep eye wide open while rinsing. Do not rub affected area. Get immediate medical advice/attention.
Skin contact	Wash off immediately with soap and plenty of water while removing all contaminated clothes and shoes. Get immediate medical advice/attention.
Ingestion	Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Do NOT induce vomiting. Get immediate medical advice/attention.
Self-protection of the first aider	Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Wear personal protective clothing (see section 8). Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, take precautions to protect themselves and prevent spread of contamination. Avoid direct contact with skin. Use barrier to give mouth-to-mouth resuscitation.

Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Symptoms Burning sensation.

Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Note to physicians Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated. Do not give chemical antidotes. Asphyxia from glottal edema may occur. Marked decrease in blood pressure may occur with moist rales, frothy sputum, and high pulse pressure.

5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media	Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.
Large Fire	CAUTION: Use of water spray when fighting fire may be inefficient.
Unsuitable extinguishing media	Do not scatter spilled material with high pressure water streams.
Specific hazards arising from the chemical	The product causes burns of eyes, skin and mucous membranes. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.
Explosion data	
Sensitivity to mechanical impact	none.
Sensitivity to static discharge	none.
Special protective equipment for fire-fighters	Firefighters should wear self-contained breathing apparatus and full firefighting turnout gear. Use personal protection equipment.

6. Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Personal precautions	Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protective equipment as required. Attention! Corrosive material. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak.
Other information	Refer to protective measures listed in Sections 7 and 8.

Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Methods for containment	Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so.
Methods for cleaning up	Pick up and transfer to properly labeled containers.

7. Handling and storage

Precautions for safe handling

Advice on safe handling	Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment. Handle product only in closed system or provide appropriate exhaust ventilation. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse. Avoid breathing vapors or mists.
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Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Storage Conditions	Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Protect from moisture. Store locked up. Keep out of the reach of children. Store away from other materials.
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8. Exposure controls/personal protection

Control parameters

Exposure Limits	The following ingredients are the only ingredients of the product above the cut-off level (or level that contributes to the hazard classification of the mixture) which have an exposure limit applicable in the region for which this safety data sheet is intended or other recommended limit. At this time, the other relevant constituents have no known exposure limits from the sources listed here.
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Appropriate engineering controls

Engineering controls	Showers Eyewash stations Ventilation systems.
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Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

Eye/face protection	Tight sealing safety goggles. Face protection shield.
Hand protection	Wear suitable gloves. Impervious gloves.
Skin and body protection	Wear suitable protective clothing. Long sleeved clothing. Chemical resistant apron.
Respiratory protection	No protective equipment is needed under normal use conditions. If exposure limits are exceeded or irritation is experienced, ventilation and evacuation may be required.
General hygiene considerations	Wear suitable gloves and eye/face protection. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Regular cleaning of equipment, work area and clothing is recommended. Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Remove and wash contaminated clothing and gloves, including the inside, before re-use. Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace. Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling the product.

9. Physical and chemical properties

Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Physical state	Liquid
Appearance	Clear
Color	Colorless
Odor	No information available
Odor threshold	No information available

<u>Property</u>	<u>Values</u>	<u>Remarks • Method</u>
pH	14	None known
Melting point / freezing point	no data available	None known
Boiling point / boiling range	no data available	None known
Flash point	no data available	None known
Evaporation rate	no data available	None known
Flammability (solid, gas)	no data available	None known
Flammability Limit in Air		None known
Upper flammability or explosive limits	No data available	
Lower flammability or explosive limits	No data available	
Vapor pressure	No data available	None known
Vapor density	no data available	None known
Relative density	1.1	None known
Water solubility	Miscible in water	None known
Solubility(ies)	Soluble in polar organic solvents	None known
Partition coefficient	No data available	None known
Autoignition temperature	no data available	None known
Decomposition temperature		None known
Kinematic viscosity	no data available	None known
Dynamic viscosity	No data available	None known

Other information

Explosive properties	No information available
Oxidizing properties	No information available
Softening point	No information available
Molecular weight	No information available
VOC Content (%)	No information available
Liquid Density	No information available
Bulk density	No information available

10. Stability and reactivity

Reactivity	No information available.
Chemical stability	Stable under normal conditions.
Possibility of hazardous reactions	None under normal processing.
Conditions to avoid	Exposure to air or moisture over prolonged periods.
Incompatible materials	Oxidizing agent. Acids. Bases.
Hazardous decomposition products	None known based on information supplied.

11. Toxicological information

Information on likely routes of exposure

Product Information

Inhalation

Specific test data for the substance or mixture is not available. Corrosive by inhalation. (based on components). Inhalation of corrosive fumes/gases may cause coughing, choking,

headache, dizziness, and weakness for several hours. Pulmonary edema may occur with tightness in the chest, shortness of breath, bluish skin, decreased blood pressure, and increased heart rate. Inhaled corrosive substances can lead to a toxic edema of the lungs. Pulmonary edema can be fatal. May cause irritation of respiratory tract.

- Eye contact** Specific test data for the substance or mixture is not available. Causes serious eye damage. (based on components). Corrosive to the eyes and may cause severe damage including blindness. May cause irreversible damage to eyes.
- Skin contact** Specific test data for the substance or mixture is not available. Corrosive. (based on components). Causes burns.
- Ingestion** Specific test data for the substance or mixture is not available. Causes burns. (based on components). Ingestion causes burns of the upper digestive and respiratory tracts. May cause severe burning pain in the mouth and stomach with vomiting and diarrhea of dark blood. Blood pressure may decrease. Brownish or yellowish stains may be seen around the mouth. Swelling of the throat may cause shortness of breath and choking. May cause lung damage if swallowed. May be fatal if swallowed and enters airways.

Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics

Symptoms Redness. Burning. May cause blindness. Coughing and/ or wheezing.

Acute toxicity

Numerical measures of toxicity

The following values are calculated based on chapter 3.1 of the GHS document .

Component Information

Chemical name	Oral LD50	Dermal LD50	Inhalation LC50
Water 7732-18-5	90 mL/kg (Rat)	-	-
Potassium Hydroxide 1310-58-3	= 214 mg/kg (Rat)	-	-

Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure

- Skin corrosion/irritation** Classification based on data available for ingredients. Causes burns.
- Serious eye damage/eye irritation** Classification based on data available for ingredients. Risk of serious damage to eyes. Causes burns.
- Respiratory or skin sensitization** No information available.
- Germ cell mutagenicity** No information available.
- Reproductive toxicity** No information available.
- STOT - single exposure** May cause respiratory irritation.
- STOT - repeated exposure** No information available.
- Target organ effects** respiratory system, Eyes, Skin.
- Aspiration hazard** No information available.
- Other adverse effects** No information available.
- Interactive effects** No information available.

12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity

Chemical name	Algae/aquatic plants	Fish	Toxicity to microorganisms	Crustacea
Potassium Hydroxide	-	LC50: =80mg/L (96h,	-	-

1310-58-3		Gambusia affinis)	
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Persistence and degradability No information available.
Bioaccumulation Inherently biodegradable.

Component Information

Chemical name	Partition coefficient
Potassium Hydroxide	0.65
1310-58-3	0.83

Other adverse effects No information available.

13. Disposal considerations

Waste treatment methods

Waste from residues/unused products Dispose of in accordance with local regulations. Dispose of waste in accordance with environmental legislation.

Contaminated packaging Do not reuse empty containers.

14. Transport information

DOT

UN/ID no UN1814
Proper shipping name Potassium hydroxide, solution
Hazard class 8
Special Provisions II
Special Provisions B2, IB2, T7, TP2
Marine Pollutant Severe Marine Pollutant
Description UN1814, Potassium hydroxide, solution, 8, II
Emergency Response Guide Number 154

TDG

UN/ID no. UN1814
Proper shipping name Potassium hydroxide solution
Hazard class 8
Packing Group II
Description UN1814, Potassium hydroxide solution, 8, II

MEX

UN-No UN1814
Proper Shipping Name Potassium hydroxide solution
Hazard class 8
Packing Group II
Description UN1814, Potassium hydroxide solution, 8, II

ICAO (air)

UN/ID no. UN1814
Hazard class 8
Packing Group II
Special Provisions A3

IATA

UN number UN1814
Hazard Class 8
Packing group II
Emergency Response Guide Number 8L
Special Provisions A3, A803

IMDG

UN number	UN1814
Hazard Class	8
Packing group	II
EmS-No	F-A, S-B
Marine Pollutant	NP1

RID

UN number	UN1814
Proper shipping name	POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION
Hazard Class	8
Packing group	II
Classification code	C5
Description	UN1814, POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION, 8, II
Labels	8

ADR

UN number	UN1814
Proper shipping name	Potassium hydroxide solution
Hazard Class	8
Packing group	II
Classification code	C5
Tunnel restriction code	(E)
Description	UN1814, Potassium hydroxide solution, 8, II, (E)
Labels	8

ADN

UN/ID No	UN1814
Proper shipping name	Potassium hydroxide solution
Hazard Class	8
Packing Group	II
Classification code	C5
Description	UN1814, Potassium hydroxide solution, 8, II
Hazard label(s)	8
Limited quantity (LQ)	1 L
Equipment Requirements	PP, EP

15. Regulatory information**International Inventories**

TSCA Complies

DSL/NDSL Complies

EINECS/ELINCS Complies

ENCS This product complies with ENCS:

IECSC This product complies with China:

KECL Complies

PICCS Complies

AICS All the constituents of this material are listed on the Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS).

Legend:

TSCA - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory

DSL/NDSL - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List

EINECS/ELINCS - European Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances/European List of Notified Chemical Substances

ENCS - Japan Existing and New Chemical Substances

IECSC - China Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances

KECL - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances

PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances

US 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

Should this product meet EPCRA 311/312 Tier reporting criteria at 40 CFR 370, refer to Section 2 of this SDS for appropriate classifications.

CWA (Clean Water Act)

This product does not contain any substances regulated as pollutants pursuant to the Clean Water Act (40 CFR 122.21 and 40 CFR 122.42).

CERCLA

This material, as supplied, contains one or more substances regulated as a hazardous substance under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) (40 CFR 302).

Chemical name	Hazardous Substances RQs	Extremely Hazardous Substances RQs
Potassium Hydroxide 1310-58-3	1000 lb final RQ 454 kg final RQ	-

US State Regulations

California Proposition 65

This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals.

U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations

Chemical name	New Jersey	Massachusetts	Pennsylvania
Potassium Hydroxide 1310-58-3	sn 1571	Present	Environmental hazard

U.S. EPA Label Information

EPA Pesticide Registration Number Not applicable

16. Other information

NFPA

Health hazards 3

Flammability 0

Instability 0

Physical and chemical properties -

HMIS

Health hazards 3

Flammability 0

Physical hazards 0

Personal protection X

Key or legend to abbreviations and acronyms used in the safety data sheet

Legend Section 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

TWA TWA (time-weighted average)

STEL

STEL (Short Term Exposure Limit)

Ceiling Maximum limit value

Key literature references and sources for data used to compile the SDS

Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR)

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ChemView Database

European Food Safety Authority (EFSA)
EPA (Environmental Protection Agency)
Acute Exposure Guideline Level(s) (AEGl(s))
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency High Production Volume Chemicals
Food Research Journal
Hazardous Substance Database
International Uniform Chemical Information Database (IUCLID)
Japan GHS Classification
Australia National Industrial Chemicals Notification and Assessment Scheme (NICNAS)
NIOSH (National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health)
National Library of Medicine's ChemID Plus (NLM CIP)
National Library of Medicine's PubMed database (NLM PUBMED)
National Toxicology Program (NTP)
New Zealand's Chemical Classification and Information Database (CCID)
Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development Environment, Health, and Safety Publications
Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development High Production Volume Chemicals Program
Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development Screening Information Data Set
World Health Organization

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