

SAFETY DATA SHEET

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1. IDENTIFICATION

Product identifier

Product code: P1240
Product Name: POTASSIUM CARBONATE, SESQUIHYDRATE, CRYSTAL, REAGENT, ACS

Other means of identification

Synonyms: No information available
CAS #: 6381-79-9
RTECS # Not available
CI#: Not available

Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use

Recommended use: No information available.
Uses advised against No information available

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2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Classification

This chemical is considered hazardous by the 2012 OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

Considered a dangerous substance or mixture according to the Globally Harmonized System (GHS)

Skin corrosion/irritation	Category 2
Serious eye damage/eye irritation	Category 2A
Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)	Category 3

Label elements

Warning

Hazard statements
 Causes serious eye irritation
 Causes skin irritation
 May cause respiratory irritation

**Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)**

Not Applicable

Other hazards

May be harmful if swallowed

Precautionary Statements - Prevention

Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling

Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray

Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area

Wear protective gloves

Wear eye/face protection

Precautionary Statements - Response

IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.

IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of water

If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention

Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse

IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.

Precautionary Statements - Storage

Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed

Store locked up

Precautionary Statements - Disposal

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Component	CAS No	Weight-%
Potassium Carbonate, Sesquihydrate	6381-79-9	100

4. FIRST AID MEASURES**First aid measures****General Advice:**

National Capital Poison Center in the United States can provide assistance if you have a poison emergency and need to talk to a poison specialist. Call 1-800-222-1222.

Skin Contact:

Wash off immediately with soap and plenty of water removing all contaminated clothing and shoes. Get medical attention. If skin irritation persists, call a physician.

Eye Contact:

Flush eyes with water for 15 minutes. Get medical attention.

Inhalation:

Move to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Obtain medical attention.

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Ingestion: Do not induce vomiting without medical advice. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Obtain medical attention.

Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Symptoms Causes skin irritation
Causes serious eye irritation
Irritating to respiratory system

Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Notes to Physician: Treat symptomatically.

Protection of first-aiders

First-Aid Providers: Avoid exposure to blood or body fluids. Wear gloves and other necessary protective clothing. Dispose of contaminated clothing and equipment as bio-hazardous waste.

5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

Extinguishing Media

Suitable Extinguishing Media: The product is not flammable. If it is involved in a fire, extinguish the fire using an agent suitable for the type of surrounding fire.

Unsuitable Extinguishing Media: No information available.

Specific hazards arising from the chemical

Hazardous combustion products If it is involved in a fire the following can be released:.
Carbon dioxide (CO₂). Potassium oxides.

Specific hazards When heated to decomposition it emits irritating fumes.

Special Protective Actions for Firefighters

Specific Methods: No information available

Special Protective Equipment 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, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Personal Precautions: Ensure adequate ventilation. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Use personal protective equipment. Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Avoid breathing dust. Avoid dust formation. Do not touch damaged containers or spilled material unless wearing appropriate protective clothing.

Environmental precautions Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains. Prevent entry into waterways, sewers, basements or confined areas.

Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Methods for containment Stop leak if you can do it without risk. Cover with plastic sheet to prevent spreading.

Methods for cleaning up Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Clean contaminated surface thoroughly.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Precautions for safe handling

Technical Measures/Precautions:

Provide sufficient air exchange and/or exhaust in work rooms. Avoid dust formation. Keep away from incompatible materials.

Safe Handling Advice

Wear personal protective equipment. Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Do not ingest. Do not breathe dust. Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Technical Measures/Storage Conditions:

Deliquescent. Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Protect from moisture. Store at room temperature in the original container. Store away from incompatible materials.

Incompatible Materials:

Oxidizing agents
Metals
Acids
Chlorine trifluoride
Calcium oxide
Magnesium

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Control parameters

National occupational exposure limits

United States

Component	CAS No	OSHA	NIOSH	ACGIH	AIHA WEEL
Potassium Carbonate, Sesquihydrate	6381-79-9	None	None	None	None

Canada

Component	CAS No	Canada - Alberta	Canada - British Columbia	Canada - Ontario	Canada - Quebec
Potassium Carbonate, Sesquihydrate	6381-79-9	None	None	None	None

Australia and Mexico

Component	CAS No	Australia	Mexico
Potassium Carbonate, Sesquihydrate	6381-79-9	None	None

Appropriate engineering controls

Engineering measures to reduce exposure:

Use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to keep airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If user operations generate dust, fume or mist, use ventilation to keep exposure to airborne contaminants below the exposure limit.

Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

Personal Protective Equipment

Eye protection: Safety glasses with side-shields. or Goggles

Skin and body protection: Long sleeved clothing
Chemical resistant apron
Gloves

Respiratory protection: Effective dust mask. or. Wear respirator with dust filter. Use a dust respirator under conditions where exposure to the substance is apparent (e.g. generation of high concentration of dust (dust clouds) , inadequate ventilation, development of respiratory tract irritation), and engineering controls are not feasible. Be sure to use an approved/certified respirator or equivalent.

Hygiene measures: Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. When using, do not eat, drink or smoke. Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling the product

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Physical state:
Solid

Appearance:
Crystals.

Color:
White.

Odor:
Odorless.

Taste
No information available.

Formula
K₂CO₃-1.5H₂O

Molecular/Formula weight (g/mole):
165.23

Flammability (solid, gas)
no data available

Flashpoint (°C/°F):
No information available

Flash Point Tested according to:
Not available

Autoignition Temperature (°C/°F):
No information available

Lower Explosion Limit (%):
No information available

Upper Explosion Limit (%):
No information available

Melting point/range(°C/°F):
891.1°C/ 1636°F

Decomposition temperature(°C/°F):
No information available

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Boiling point/range(°C/°F):

No information available

Bulk density:

No information available

Density (g/cm3):

No information available

Specific gravity:

No information available

pH

11.6

Vapor pressure @ 20°C (kPa):

No information available

Evaporation rate:

No information available

Vapor density:

No information available

VOC content (g/L):

No information available

Odor threshold (ppm):

No information available

Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water):

No information available

Viscosity:

No information available

Miscibility:

No information available

Solubility:

Soluble in cold water

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**Reactivity**

When it contains the full amount of water it is not hygroscopic

Reactive with oxidizing agents, metals, acids

Slightly reactive with moisture

Incompatible with chlorine trifluoride, calcium oxide, and magnesium

Reacts with water to evolve heat

Chemical stability**Stability:**

Deliquescent. Stable under recommended storage conditions.

Possibility of Hazardous Reactions: Hazardous polymerization does not occur**Conditions to avoid:**

Avoid dust formation. Exposure to moist air. Exposure to moisture. Incompatible materials.

Incompatible Materials:Oxidizing agents
Metals
Acids
Chlorine trifluoride
Calcium oxide
Magnesium**Hazardous decomposition products:**

Carbon oxides. Oxides of potassium.

Other Information**Corrosivity:**

Non-corrosive in presence of glass.

Special Remarks on Corrosivity: No information available**11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION****Information on likely routes of exposure****Principal Routes of Exposure:**

Eyes. Inhalation. Ingestion.

Acute Toxicity**Product code:** P1240**Product name:** POTASSIUM
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Component Information

Potassium Carbonate, Sesquihydrate	
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LD50/oral/rat = 1870 mg/kg (Anhydrous)
LD50/oral/mouse = No information available
LD50/dermal/rabbit = No information available
LD50/dermal/rat = No information available
LC50/inhalation/rat = No information available
LC50/inhalation/mouse = No information available
Other LD50 or LC50 information = 1870 mg/kg oral LD50 Rat (anhydrous CAS no. 584-08-7)

Product Information

LD50/oral/rat =
Value - Acute Tox = No information available

LD50/oral/mouse =
Value - Acute Tox Oral = No information available

LD50/dermal/rabbit
Value - Acute Tox = No information available

LD50/dermal/rat
VALUE - Acute Tox Dermal = No information available

LC50/inhalation/rat
VALUE-Vapor = No information available
VALUE-Gas = No information available
VALUE-Dust/Mist = No information available

LC50/Inhalation/mouse
VALUE-Vapor = No information available
VALUE - Gas = No information available
VALUE - Dust/Mist = No information available

Symptoms

Skin Contact: Causes skin irritation.

Eye Contact: Causes serious eye irritation. May cause corneal injury. May cause burns. May cause loss of vision. May cause permanent injury. The amount of tissue damage depends on the length of contact.

Inhalation Causes respiratory tract and mucous membrane irritation. Symptoms may include coughing, chest pain, difficulty breathing.

Ingestion Causes gastrointestinal irritation with nausea, vomiting, abdominal pain, swollen glottis, increased respiration, and possible burns to the lips, tongue, oral mucosa, hypopharynx, stomach, or esophagus. It may affect the cardiovascular system (circulatory collapse), urinary system, and metabolism.

Aspiration hazard No information available.

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

Chronic Toxicity No information available.

Sensitization: No information available.

Mutagenic Effects: No information available

Carcinogenic effects: Not considered carcinogenic.

Component	CAS No	IARC	ACGIH - Carcinogens	NTP	OSHA HCS - Carcinogens	Australia - Notifiable Carcinogenic Substances	Australia - Prohibited Carcinogenic Substances
Potassium Carbonate, Sesquihydrate	6381-79-9	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

ACGIH (American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists)

IARC (International Agency for Research on Cancer)

NTP (National Toxicology Program)

OSHA (Occupational Safety and Health Administration of the US Department of Labor)

Reproductive toxicity No data is available

Reproductive Effects: No information available

Developmental Effects: No information available

Teratogenic Effects: No information available

Specific Target Organ Toxicity

STOT - single exposure No information available.

STOT - repeated exposure No information available.

Target Organs: Mucous membrane.

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity

Ecotoxicity effects: No data available.

Persistence and degradability: No information available

Bioaccumulative potential: No information available.

Mobility in soil No information available

Other adverse effects No information available.

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Disposal Methods

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Waste from residues / unused products:

Waste must be disposed of in accordance with Federal, State and Local regulation.

Contaminated packaging:

Empty containers should be taken for local recycling, recovery or waste disposal

Component	CAS No	RCRA - F Series Wastes	RCRA - K Series Wastes	RCRA - P Series Wastes	RCRA - U Series Wastes
Potassium Carbonate, Sesquihydrate	6381-79-9	None	None	None	None

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**DOT**

UN-No: Not Regulated
Proper Shipping Name: No information available
Hazard Class No information available
Subsidiary Class No information available
Packing group: No information available
Emergency Response Guide Number No information available
Marine Pollutant No data available
DOT RQ (lbs): No information available
Special Provisions No Information available
Symbol(s): No information available
Description: No information available

TDG (Canada)

UN-No: Not Regulated
Proper Shipping Name: No information available
Hazard Class No information available
Subsidiary Risk: No information available
Packing Group: No information available
Marine Pollutant No Information available
Description: No information available

ADR

UN Number Not regulated
Proper Shipping Name: No information available
Transport hazard class(es) No information available
Packing group No information available
Subsidiary Risk: No information available

IMDG

UN-No: Not Regulated
Proper Shipping Name: No information available
Hazard Class: No information available
Subsidiary Risk: No information available
Packing Group: No information available
Marine Pollutant No information available

RID

UN Number Not Regulated
Proper Shipping Name: No information available
Transport hazard class(es) No information available
Subsidiary Risk: No information available
Packing group No information available

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ICAO (air)

UN-No: Not Regulated
Proper Shipping Name: No information available
Hazard Class: No information available
Subsidiary Risk: No information available
Packing Group: No information available

IATA

UN Number: Not Regulated
Proper Shipping Name: No information available
Transport hazard class(es): No information available
Subsidiary Risk: No information available
Packing group: No information available
Precautionary Statements - Response: IF exposed or concerned
Special Provisions: No information available

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

International Inventories

Component	CAS No	U.S. TSCA	KOREA KECL	Philippines (PICCS)	Japan ENCS	China IECSC	Australia AICS	EINECS-No.
Potassium Carbonate, Sesquihydrate	6381-79-9	Exempt from listing since it is a hydrate. However, the anhydrous form (CAS no. 584-08-7) is listed as ACTIVE on the TSCA 8(b) Inventory	Not present	Not present	Not present	Not listed	Present	Not present

U.S. Regulations**California Prop. 65: Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986.****Chemicals Known to the State of California to Cause Cancer:**

This product does not contain a chemical requiring a warning under California Prop. 65. (See table below)

Chemicals Known to the State of California to Cause Reproductive Toxicity:

This product does not contain a chemical requiring a warning under California Prop. 65. (See table below)

Component	CAS No	Carcinogen	Developmental Toxicity	Male Reproductive Toxicity	Female Reproductive Toxicity:
Potassium Carbonate, Sesquihydrate	6381-79-9	Not Listed	Not Listed	Not Listed	Not Listed

CERCLA/SARA

Component	CAS No	CERCLA - Hazardous Substances and their Reportable Quantities	Section 302 Extremely Hazardous Substances and TPQs	Section 302 Extremely Hazardous Substances and RQs	Section 313 - Chemical Category	Section 313 - Reporting de minimis
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Sesquihydrate						
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U.S. TSCA

Component	CAS No	TSCA Section 5(a)2 - Chemicals With Significant New Use Rules (SNURS)	TSCA 8(d) -Health and Safety Reporting
Potassium Carbonate, Sesquihydrate	6381-79-9	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

Canada

WHIMIS 2015 - GHS Classifications

WHMIS 2015 Hazard Classification Information:

The WHMIS 2015 classification of this product has not been validated or reviewed yet.

Canada Hazardous Products Regulation This product has been classified according to the hazard criteria of the HPR (Hazardous Products Regulation) and the SDS contains all of the information required by the HPR

DSL/NDSL

Component	CAS No	Canada (DSL)	Canada (NDSL)
Potassium Carbonate, Sesquihydrate	6381-79-9	Not Listed	Not Listed

Component	CAS No	CEPA Schedule I - Toxic Substances
Potassium Carbonate, Sesquihydrate	6381-79-9	Not listed
Component	CAS No	CEPA - 2010 Greenhouse Gases Subject to Mandatory Reporting
Potassium Carbonate, Sesquihydrate	6381-79-9	Not listed

EU Classification

EU GHS - SV - CLP 1272/2008

Component	CAS No	EU GHS - SV - CLP (1272/2008)
Potassium Carbonate, Sesquihydrate	6381-79-9	

EU - CLP (1272/2008)

R-phrase(s)

R36/37/38 - Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin

S -phrase(s)

S26 - In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice

S36/37/39 - Wear suitable protective clothing, gloves and eye/face protection

Component	CAS No	Classification	Concentration Limits:	Safety Phrases
Potassium Carbonate, Sesquihydrate	6381-79-9		No information	

The product is classified in accordance with Annex VI to Directive 67/548/EEC

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Indication of danger:

Xi - Irritant

16. OTHER INFORMATION

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