

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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### 1. IDENTIFICATION

**Product identifier**

**Product code:** P1270  
**Product Name:** POTASSIUM CYANATE, CRYSTAL, REAGENT

**Other means of identification**

**Synonyms:** No information available  
**CAS #:** 590-28-3  
**RTECS #** GS6825000  
**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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 Gardena, CA 90248  
 (310) 516-8000.

**Order Online At:** <https://www.spectrumchemical.com>

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### 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

**Classification**

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

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

Acute toxicity - Oral	Category 4
Serious eye damage/eye irritation	Category 2A

**Label elements**

**Warning**

**Hazard statements**

Harmful if swallowed  
 Causes serious eye irritation

**Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)**

Not Applicable

**Other hazards**

Contact with acid liberates toxic gas

**Precautionary Statements - Prevention**

Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product

Wear eye/face protection

Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling

**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 SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell

Rinse mouth

**3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

Components	CAS-No.	Weight %
Potassium Cyanate	590-28-3	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. First aider needs to protect himself. Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved and take precautions to protect themselves.

**Skin Contact:**

Wash off immediately with soap and plenty of water removing all contaminated clothing and shoes. Get medical attention if irritation develops.

**Eye Contact:**

Flush eyes with water for 15 minutes. Get medical attention. If symptoms persist, call a physician.

**Inhalation:**

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

**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 serious eye irritation. Moderately irritating to the eyes. May cause skin irritation. Causes digestive (gastrointestinal) tract irritation. Vomiting. Salivation. Rapid breathing. Dyspnea (Difficulty breathing and shortness of breath). Tremors. Convulsions. Coordination disturbances. It is said to be slowly metabolized in the body to cyanide, but does not have

the high toxicity of cyanides.

**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: Hydrogen cyanide. Potassium oxides.

**Specific hazards:** No information available.

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

**Environmental precautions** Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Prevent product from entering 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. Avoid creating dust. Clean contaminated surface thoroughly.

**7. HANDLING AND STORAGE**

**Precautions for safe handling**

**Technical Measures/Precautions:**

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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. Avoid dust formation. Keep away from heat and sources of ignition. Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

**Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**

**Technical Measures/Storage Conditions:**

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

**Incompatible Materials:**

Strong oxidizing agents  
Acids

**8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION**

**Control parameters**

**National occupational exposure limits**

**United States**

Components	CAS-No.	OSHA	NIOSH	ACGIH	AIHA WHEEL
Potassium Cyanate	590-28-3	None	None	None	None

**Canada**

Components	CAS-No.	Canada - Alberta	Canada - British Columbia	Canada - Ontario	Canada - Quebec
Potassium Cyanate	590-28-3	None	None	None	None

**Australia and Mexico**

Components	CAS-No.	Australia	Mexico
Potassium Cyanate	590-28-3	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 Safety glasses with side-shields

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

Gloves

**Respiratory protection:** Effective dust mask. 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. Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling the product. When using, do not eat, drink or smoke.

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

<b>Physical state:</b> Solid	<b>Appearance:</b> Crystals. Crystalline.	<b>Color:</b> White.
<b>Odor:</b> No information available.	<b>Taste</b> No information available.	<b>Formula:</b> KCNO
<b>Molecular/Formula weight:</b> 81.12	<b>Flammability:</b> No information available	<b>Flashpoint (°C/°F):</b> No information available.
<b>Flash Point Tested according to:</b> Not available	<b>Autoignition Temperature (°C/°F):</b> No information available	<b>Lower Explosion Limit (%):</b> No information available
<b>Upper Explosion Limit (%):</b> No information available	<b>Melting point/range(°C/°F):</b> 315 °C/599 °C	<b>Decomposition temperature(°C/°F):</b> No information available
<b>Boiling point/range(°C/°F):</b> No information available	<b>Bulk density:</b> No information available	<b>Density (g/cm3):</b> No information available
<b>Specific gravity:</b> 2.05	<b>pH:</b> No information available	<b>Vapor pressure @ 20°C (kPa):</b> No information available
<b>Evaporation rate:</b> No information available	<b>Vapor density:</b> No information available	<b>VOC content (g/L):</b> No information available
<b>Odor threshold (ppm):</b> No information available	<b>Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water):</b> No information available	<b>Viscosity:</b> No information available
<b>Miscibility:</b> No information available	<b>Solubility:</b> Decomposes in hot water Very slightly soluble in alcohol Soluble in cold water	

## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### Reactivity

Reactive with oxidizing agents  
Reactive with acids  
Contact with acid liberates toxic gas  
Decomposes in hot water

### Chemical stability

**Stability:** Stable under recommended storage conditions.

**Possibility of Hazardous Reactions:** Hazardous polymerization does not occur

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**Conditions to avoid:** Avoid dust formation. Incompatible materials.

**Incompatible Materials:** Strong oxidizing agents  
Acids

**Hazardous decomposition products:** Hydrogen cyanide. Potassium oxides.

**Other Information**  
**Corrosivity:** No information available

**Special Remarks on Corrosivity:** No information available

## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Information on likely routes of exposure

**Principal Routes of Exposure:**  
Ingestion. Inhalation.

### Acute Toxicity

#### Component Information

Potassium Cyanate
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**LD50/oral/rat** = = 567 mg/kg Oral LD50 Rat  
**LD50/oral/mouse** = 841 mg/kg Oral LD50 Mouse  
**LD50/dermal/rabbit** = No information available  
**LD50/dermal/rat** = = 567 mg/kg Oral LD50  
**LC50/inhalation/rat** = No information available  
**LC50/inhalation/mouse** = No information available  
**Other LD50 or LC50 information** = No information available

#### Product Information

**LD50/oral/rat** =  
**VALUE- Acute Tox Oral** = 567 mg/kg

**LD50/oral/mouse** =  
**Value - Acute Tox Oral** = 841 mg/kg

**LD50/dermal/rabbit**  
**VALUE-Acute Tox Dermal** = 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

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VALUE - Dust/Mist = No information available

### Symptoms

**Skin Contact:** May cause skin irritation.

**Eye Contact:** Causes serious eye irritation. Moderately irritating to the eyes.

**Inhalation** May cause irritation of respiratory tract.

**Ingestion** Harmful if swallowed. Causes digestive (gastrointestinal) tract irritation. May cause vomiting. May cause salivation. May affect respiration (dyspnea - difficulty breathing and shortness of breath; hyperventilation). May affect behavior/central nervous system (ataxia). May affect behavior/central nervous system (tremor, convulsions).

**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.

Components	CAS-No.	IARC	ACGIH - Carcinogens	NTP	OSHA HCS - Carcinogens	Australia - Notifiable Carcinogenic Substances	Australia - Prohibited Carcinogenic Substances
Potassium Cyanate	590-28-3	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:** No information available.

## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Ecotoxicity

**Ecotoxicity effects:** Aquatic environment.

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**Freshwater Fish Species Data:** 10 - 14.9 mg/L LC50 Oncorhynchus mykiss 96 h static 1

**Water Flea Data:** 18 mg/L EC50 Daphnia magna 48 h

**Persistence and degradability:** No information available

**Bioaccumulative potential:** No information available.

**Mobility:** No information available.

### 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

#### Disposal Methods

**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

Components	CAS-No.	RCRA - F Series Wastes	RCRA - K Series Wastes	RCRA - P Series Wastes	RCRA - U Series Wastes
Potassium Cyanate	590-28-3	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-No:** Not Regulated  
**Proper Shipping Name:** No information available  
**Hazard Class:** No information available  
**Packing Group:** No information available  
**Subsidiary Risk:** No information available

#### IMO / IMDG

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

**ICAO**

**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-No:** Not Regulated  
**Proper Shipping Name:** No information available  
**Hazard Class:** No information available  
**Subsidiary Risk:** No information available  
**Packing Group:** No information available  
**ERG Code:** No information available  
**Special Provisions** No information available

**15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

**International Inventories**

Components	CAS-No.	U.S. TSCA	KOREA KECL	Philippines (PICCS)	Japan ENCS	CHINA	Australia (AICS)	EINECS-No.
Potassium Cyanate	590-28-3	Present	Present KE-29091	Present	Present (1)-1087	Present	Present	Present 209-676-3

**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)

Components	CAS-No.	Carcinogen	Developmental Toxicity	Male Reproductive Toxicity	Female Reproductive Toxicity:
Potassium Cyanate	590-28-3	Not Listed	Not Listed	Not Listed	Not Listed

**CERCLA/SARA**

Components	CAS-No.	CERCLA - Hazardous Substances and their Reportable	Section 302 Extremely Hazardous Substances	Section 302 Extremely Hazardous Substances and	Section 313 - Chemical Category	Section 313 - Reporting de minimis

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		Quantities	and TPQs	RQs		
Potassium Cyanate	590-28-3	None	None	None	None	None

## U.S. TSCA

Components	CAS-No.	TSCA Section 5(a)2 - Chemicals With Significant New Use Rules (SNURS)	TSCA 8(d) -Health and Safety Reporting
Potassium Cyanate	590-28-3	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

## Canada

### WHMIS 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

### WHMIS 1988 Hazard Class

Non-controlled

### Components

Potassium Cyanate

WHMIS 1988

Uncontrolled product according to WHMIS classification criteria

### Canada Controlled Products Regulation:

This product has been classified according to the hazard criteria of the CPR (Controlled Products Regulation) and the MSDS contains all of the information required by the CPR.

## Inventory

Components	CAS-No.	Canada (DSL)	Canada (NDSL)
Potassium Cyanate	590-28-3	Present	Not Listed

Components	CAS-No.	CEPA Schedule I - Toxic Substances
Potassium Cyanate	590-28-3	Not listed
Components	CAS-No.	CEPA - 2010 Greenhouse Gases Subject to Mandatory Reporting
Potassium Cyanate	590-28-3	Not listed

## EU Classification

### EU GHS - SV - CLP 172/2008

Components	CAS-No.	EU GHS - SV - CLP (172/2008)
Potassium Cyanate	590-28-3	Acute toxicity - Oral - Acute Tox. 4: H302 Harmful if swallowed. (Minimum classification)615-016-00-9

### EU - CLP (1272/2008)

### R-phrases

R22 - Harmful if swallowed.

### S-phrases

S 2 - Keep out of the reach of children.

S24/25 - Avoid contact with skin and eyes.

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Components	CAS-No.	Classification	Concentration Limits:	Safety Phrases
Potassium Cyanate	590-28-3	Xn; R22	No information	S2 S24/25

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

**Indication of danger:**

Xn - Harmful.

Xn



## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

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**Disclaimer:**

All chemicals may pose unknown hazards and should be used with caution. This Safety Data Sheet (SDS) applies only to the material as packaged. If this product is combined with other materials, deteriorates, or becomes contaminated, it may pose hazards not mentioned in this SDS. The physical properties reported in this SDS are obtained from the literature and do not constitute product specifications. Information contained herein does not constitute a warranty, whether expressed or implied, as to the safety, merchantability or fitness of the goods for a particular purpose. Spectrum Chemicals & Laboratory Products, Inc. assumes no responsibility for results obtained or for incidental or consequential damages, including lost profits, arising from the use of these data. No warranty against infringement of any patent, copyright or trademark is made or implied. It shall be the user's responsibility to develop proper methods of handling and personal protection based on the actual conditions of use. While this SDS is based on technical data judged to be reliable, Spectrum assumes no responsibility for the completeness or accuracy of the information contained herein.

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