# SAFETY DATA SHEET SPECTRUM®



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# 1. Identification

**Product identifier** 

Product Name POTASSIUM NITRITE, CRYSTAL, TECHNICAL

Other means of identification

Product Code(s) P1354

UN/ID no UN1488

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 3
Serious eye damage/eye irritation	Category 2A
Carcinogenicity	Category 1B
Oxidizing solids	Category 2

# Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)

Not applicable

## Label elements

# Danger

#### Hazard statements

Toxic if swallowed

Causes serious eye irritation

May cause cancer

May intensify fire; oxidizer



Appearance crystalline Physical state Solid Odor Odorless

#### **Precautionary Statements - Prevention**

Obtain special instructions before use

Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood

Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection

Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling

Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product

Keep away from heat

Keep/Store away from clothing/ combustible materials

Take any precaution to avoid mixing with combustibles

# **Precautionary Statements - Response**

IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention

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

If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention

IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor

Rinse mouth

In case of fire: Use CO2, dry chemical, or foam to extinguish

# **Precautionary Statements - Storage**

Store locked up

## **Precautionary Statements - Disposal**

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

#### Unknown acute toxicity

## Other information

Very toxic to aquatic life.

# 3. Composition/information on ingredients

#### Substance

Chemical name	CAS No	Weight-%	Trade secret
Potassium Nitrite	7758-09-0	100	*

<sup>\*</sup>The exact percentage (concentration) of composition has been withheld as a trade secret.

# 4. First-aid measures

## **Description of first aid measures**

General advice Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. IF exposed or concerned: Get

medical advice/attention.

**Inhalation** Remove to fresh air.

Eye contact Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Keep

eye wide open while rinsing. Do not rub affected area. Remove contact lenses, if present

and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists.

Skin contact IF ON CLOTHING: Rinse immediately contaminated clothing and skin with plenty of water

before removing clothes. IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water. Wash

contaminated clothing before reuse.

**Ingestion** Do NOT induce vomiting. Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water.

Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Get medical attention.

Self-protection of the first aider Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, take precautions to

protect themselves and prevent spread of contamination. Use personal protective

equipment as required. See section 8 for more information. Avoid contact with skin, eyes or

clothing.

Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

**Symptoms** May cause redness and tearing of the eyes. Burning sensation.

Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

# 5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media Use water. Do not use dry chemicals or foams. CO 2 or Halon may provide limited control.

Flood fire area with water from a distance. Move containers from fire area if you can do it without risk. Cool containers with flooding quantities of water until well after fire is out.

CAUTION: Use of water spray when fighting fire may be inefficient.

**Unsuitable extinguishing media** Dry chemical. Foam.

Specific hazards arising from the T

chemical

These substances will accelerate burning when involved in a fire. Some may decompose explosively when heated or involved in a fire. May ignite combustibles (wood paper, oil, clothing, etc.). Runoff may create fire or explosion hazard.

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**Hazardous combustion products** Sodium oxides. Hydrocarbons.

**Explosion data** 

Large Fire

Sensitivity to mechanical impact none.

Sensitivity to static discharge yes.

Special protective equipment for fire-fighters

Firefighters should wear self-contained breathing apparatus and full firefighting turnout gear. Use personal protection equipment. Do not move cargo or vehicle if cargo has been exposed to heat. oxidizer. May ignite combustibles (wood paper, oil, clothing, etc.). Move containers from fire area if you can do it without risk. Fight fire from maximum distance or use unmanned hose holders or monitor nozzles. ALWAYS stay away from tanks engulfed in fire. For massive fire, use unmanned hose holders or monitor nozzles; if this is impossible withdraw from area and let fire burn.

# 6. Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Personal precautions Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Evacuate personnel

to safe areas. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. ELIMINATE all ignition sources (no smoking, flares, sparks or flames in immediate area). Do not touch damaged containers or spilled material unless wearing appropriate protective clothing. See section 8 for more information. Stop leak if you can do it without risk. Use personal protective

equipment as required.

Other information Keep combustibles (wood, paper, oil, etc) away from spilled material. DO NOT GET

WATER INSIDE CONTAINERS. Ventilate the area. Refer to protective measures listed in

Sections 7 and 8.

# Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Methods for containment Stop leak if you can do it without risk. Cover with DRY earth, DRY sand or other

non-combustible material followed with plastic sheet to minimize spreading or contact with

rain.

Methods for cleaning up With clean shovel place material into clean, dry container and cover loosely; move

containers from spill area. Flush area with flooding quantities of water. Prevent product from entering drains. Cover powder spill with plastic sheet or tarp to minimize spreading and

keep powder dry.

# 7. Handling and storage

# Precautions for safe handling

from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Use with local exhaust ventilation. Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and

safety practice.

# Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

**Storage Conditions** Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep in properly

labeled containers. Do not store near combustible materials. Store in accordance with the particular national regulations. Store in accordance with local regulations. Keep out of the

reach of children.

# 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.

# **Appropriate engineering controls**

Engineering controls Showers

Eyewash stations Ventilation systems.

# Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

**Eye/face protection** Tight sealing safety goggles.

**Hand protection** Wear suitable gloves. Impervious gloves.

Skin and body protection Wear suitable protective clothing. Long sleeved clothing. Chemical resistant apron. Wear

fire/flame resistant/retardant clothing.

exceeded or irritation is experienced, ventilation and evacuation may be required.

#### General hygiene considerations

Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Remove and wash contaminated clothing and gloves, including the inside, before re-use. Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace. Regular cleaning of equipment, work area and clothing is recommended. Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling the product. Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Wear suitable gloves and eye/face protection.

# 9. Physical and chemical properties

Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Physical stateSolidAppearancecrystallineColorwhite; light yellow

**Odor** Odorless

Odor threshold No information available

<u>Property</u> <u>Values</u> <u>Remarks • Method</u>

7.0 - 10 at 50 g/l at 25°C (77°F) None known pН Melting point / freezing point 350 °C / 662 °F 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 No data available

limits

Lower flammability or explosive No data available

limits

No data available None known Vapor pressure Vapor density no data available None known Relative density no data available None known Water solubility No data available None known Solubility(ies) Soluble in water None known Partition coefficient No data available None known 510 °C / 950 °F **Autoignition temperature** None known **Decomposition temperature** None known

Kinematic viscosity

no data available

None known

None known

None known

None known

Other information

Explosive propertiesNo information availableOxidizing propertiesNo information availableSoftening pointNo information available

Molecular weight 85.10

VOC Content (%)

Liquid Density

No information available
No information available

Bulk density 0.98 g/L

# 10. Stability and reactivity

Reactivity Oxidizer.

**Chemical stability** May cause fire or explosion; strong oxidizer.

Possibility of hazardous reactions 
None under normal processing.

**Conditions to avoid** Heat, flames and sparks. Incompatible materials.

**Incompatible materials** Organic material. Combustible material. Hydrocarbons.

Hazardous decomposition products Spontaneous polymerisation.

# 11. Toxicological information

## Information on likely routes of exposure

**Product Information** 

Inhalation Specific test data for the substance or mixture is not available. May cause irritation of

respiratory tract.

Specific test data for the substance or mixture is not available. Causes serious eye irritation. Eye contact

(based on components). May cause redness, itching, and pain.

Skin contact Specific test data for the substance or mixture is not available. May cause irritation.

Prolonged contact may cause redness and irritation.

Ingestion Specific test data for the substance or mixture is not available. Indestion may cause

gastrointestinal irritation, nausea, vomiting and diarrhea. Toxic if swallowed. (based on

Classification based on data available for ingredients. Causes serious eye irritation.

components).

Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics

May cause redness and tearing of the eyes. **Symptoms** 

Acute toxicity

Numerical measures of toxicity

No information available

Unknown acute toxicity

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

May cause skin irritation.

No information available.

No information available.

Skin corrosion/irritation

Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Respiratory or skin sensitization

Germ cell mutagenicity

No information available. Reproductive toxicity

STOT - single exposure STOT - repeated exposure

**Aspiration hazard** 

No information available. No information available. No information available.

Other adverse effects No information available.

No information available. Interactive effects

# 12. Ecological information

Very toxic to aquatic life. **Ecotoxicity** 

Persistence and degradability

Bioaccumulation

No information available. Inherently biodegradable.

Other adverse effects No information available.

# 13. Disposal considerations

Waste treatment methods

Waste from residues/unused

products

Should not be released into the environment. 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 UN1488

Proper Shipping Name: Potassium nitrite

Hazard class 5.1 Packing group:

Special ProvisionsIB8, IP2, IP4, T3, TP33Marine PollutantSevere Marine Pollutant

**Description:** UN1488, Potassium nitrite, 5.1, II

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Number

**TDG** 

UN-No: UN1488
Proper Shipping Name: Potassium nitrite

Hazard class 5.1
Packing Group:

**Description:** UN1488, Potassium nitrite, 5.1, II

MEX

UN-No UN1488

Proper Shipping Name Potassium nitrite

Hazard class 5.1 Packing Group

**Description** UN1488, Potassium nitrite, 5.1, II

ICAO (air)

**UN-No:** UN1488

Proper Shipping Name: Potassium nitrite

Hazard class 5.1 Packing Group:

**Description:** UN1488, Potassium nitrite, 5.1, II

<u>IATA</u>

**UN number** UN1488

Proper Shipping Name: Potassium nitrite

Transport hazard class(es) 5.1
Packing group

**Description:** UN1488, Potassium nitrite, 5.1, II

**IMDG** 

UN number UN1488

Proper shipping name Potassium nitrite

Transport hazard class(es) 5.1
Packing group II
EmS-No F-A, S-Q
Marine pollutant P

**Description** UN1488, Potassium nitrite, 5.1, II, Marine pollutant

RID

UN number UN1488

Proper Shipping Name: Potassium nitrite

Transport hazard class(es) 5.1
Packing group II
Classification code O2

Description: UN1488, Potassium nitrite, 5.1, II, ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS

**ADR** 

UN number UN1488

Proper Shipping Name: Potassium nitrite

Transport hazard class(es) 5.1
Packing group II
Classification code O2
Tunnel restriction code (E)

**Description:** UN1488, Potassium nitrite, 5.1, II, ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS

Labels 5.1

ADN

UN/ID No UN1488

Proper shipping name Potassium nitrite

Transport hazard class(es) 5.1
Packing Group II
Classification code O2

**Description** UN1488, Potassium nitrite, 5.1, II, ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS

Hazard label(s) 5.1 Limited quantity (LQ) 1 kg Equipment Requirements PP

# 15. Regulatory information

#### **International Inventories**

**TSCA** Complies

\*Contact supplier for details. One or more substances in this product are either not listed on the US TSCA inventory, listed on the confidential US TSCA inventory or are otherwise exempted from inventory listing requirements

DSL/NDSL Complies EINECS/ELINCS Complies

**ENCS This product complies with encs: IECSC This product complies with china:** 

KECL Complies 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

(CSC) - Various Existing and Evaluated 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, does not contain any substances regulated as hazardous substances under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) (40 CFR 302) or the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) (40 CFR 355). There may be specific reporting requirements at the local, regional, or state level pertaining to releases of this material.

#### **US State Regulations**

# **California Proposition 65**

This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals.

#### U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations

This product does not contain any substances regulated under applicable state right-to-know regulations

# U.S. EPA Label Information

EPA Pesticide Registration Number Not applicable

# 16. Other information

NFPA

Health hazards 2 Flammability 1 Instability 1

Physical and chemical properties OX

**HMIS** 

Health hazards 2 \* Flammability 1 Physical hazards 1 Personal protection X

Chronic Hazard Star Legend

\* = Chronic Health Hazard

# 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 (Short Term Exposure Limit) STFL

Ceiling Maximum limit value Skin designation

## 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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