

safety data sheet

according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 (REACH), amended by 2015/830/EU



Potassium hydroxide solution 20%

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SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

1.1 Product identifier

Identification of the substance	Potassium hydroxide solution
Article number	4330
Registration number (REACH)	not relevant (mixture)

1.2 Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Identified uses: laboratory chemical

1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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1.4 Emergency telephone number

Emergency information service **Poison Centre Munich: +49/(0)89 19240**

SECTION 2: Hazards identification

2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

Classification according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 (CLP)

Classification acc. to GHS			
Section	Hazard class	Hazard class and category	Hazard statement
2.16	substance or mixture corrosive to metals	(Met. Corr. 1)	H290
3.10	acute toxicity (oral)	(Acute Tox. 4)	H302
3.2	skin corrosion/irritation	(Skin Corr. 1A)	H314
3.3	serious eye damage/eye irritation	(Eye Dam. 1)	H318

Remarks

For full text of Hazard- and EU Hazard-statements: see SECTION 16.

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2.2 Label elements

Labelling according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 (CLP)

Signal word

Danger

Pictograms



Hazard statements

H290	May be corrosive to metals.
H302	Harmful if swallowed.
H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

Precautionary statements

Precautionary statements - prevention

P280	Wear protective gloves/eye protection/face protection.
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Precautionary statements - response

P301+P330+P331	IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.
P303+P361+P353	IF ON SKIN (or hair): take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.
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 CENTER/doctor.

Hazardous ingredients for labelling: caustic potash

Labelling of packages where the contents do not exceed 125 ml

Signal word: **Danger**

Symbol(s)



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P303+P361+P353	IF ON SKIN (or hair): take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.
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 CENTER/doctor.
contains:	Caustic potash

2.3 Other hazards

There is no additional information.

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SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

3.2 Mixtures

Description of the mixture

Composition/information on ingredients.

Name of sub-stance	Identifier	wt%	Classification acc. to 1272/2008/EC	Pictograms	Specific Conc. Limits
caustic potash	CAS No 1310-58-3 EC No 215-181-3 Index No 019-002-00-8 REACH Reg. No 01-2119487136-33-xxxx	≥ 20	Met. Corr. 1 / H290 Acute Tox. 4 / H302 Skin Corr. 1A / H314 Eye Dam. 1 / H318	 	Skin Corr. 1A; H314: C ≥ 5 % Skin Corr. 1B; H314: 2 % ≤ C < 5 %

Remarks

For full text of Hazard- and EU Hazard-statements: see SECTION 16.

SECTION 4: First aid measures

4.1 Description of first aid measures



General notes

Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Self-protection of the first aider.

Following inhalation

Provide fresh air. In all cases of doubt, or when symptoms persist, seek medical advice.

Following skin contact

After contact with skin, wash immediately with plenty of water. Immediate medical treatment required because corrosive injuries that are not treated are hard to cure.

Following eye contact

In case of contact with eyes flush immediately with plenty of flowing water for 10 to 15 minutes holding eyelids apart and consult an ophthalmologist. Protect uninjured eye.

Following ingestion

Rinse mouth immediately and drink plenty of water. Call a physician immediately. If swallowed danger of perforation of the esophagus and the stomach (strong corrosive effects).

4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Corrosion, Vomiting, Risk of blindness, Corneal opacity, Gastric perforation, Risk of serious damage to eyes

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4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

none

SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

5.1 Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media

Co-ordinate fire-fighting measures to the fire surroundings
water spray, foam, dry extinguishing powder, carbon dioxide (CO₂)

Unsuitable extinguishing media

water jet

5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Non-combustible.

5.3 Advice for firefighters

Fight fire with normal precautions from a reasonable distance. Wear self-contained breathing apparatus. Wear full chemical protective clothing.

SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

For non-emergency personnel

Wearing of suitable protective equipment (including personal protective equipment referred to under Section 8 of the safety data sheet) to prevent any contamination of skin, eyes and personal clothing. Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothes. Do not breathe vapour/spray.

6.2 Environmental precautions

Keep away from drains, surface and ground water.

6.3 Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Advices on how to contain a spill

Covering of drains.

Advices on how to clean up a spill

Absorb with liquid-binding material (e.g. sand, diatomaceous earth, acid- or universal binding agents).

Other information relating to spills and releases

Place in appropriate containers for disposal. Ventilate affected area.

Reference to other sections

Hazardous combustion products: see section 5. Personal protective equipment: see section 8. Incompatible materials: see section 10. Disposal considerations: see section 13.

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SECTION 7: Handling and storage

7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Provision of sufficient ventilation. Handle and open container with care.

Advice on general occupational hygiene

Wash hands before breaks and after work. Keep away from food, drink and animal feedingstuffs.

7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Keep container tightly closed.

Incompatible substances or mixtures

Observe hints for combined storage.

Consideration of other advice

• Ventilation requirements

Use local and general ventilation.

• Specific designs for storage rooms or vessels

Recommended storage temperature: 15 - 25 °C.

7.3 Specific end use(s)

No information available.

SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1 Control parameters

National limit values

Occupational exposure limit values (Workplace Exposure Limits)

Country	Name of agent	CAS No	Notation	Identifier	TWA [mg/m³]	STEL [mg/m³]	Source
GB	potassium hydroxide	1310-58-3		WEL		2	EH40/2005

Notation

STEL Short-term exposure limit: a limit value above which exposure should not occur and which is related to a 15-minute period unless otherwise specified

TWA Time-weighted average (long-term exposure limit): measured or calculated in relation to a reference period of 8 hours time-weighted average

Relevant DNELs/DMELs/PNECs and other threshold levels

• relevant DNELs of components of the mixture

Name of substance	CAS No	End-point	Threshold level	Protection goal, route of exposure	Used in	Exposure time
caustic potash	1310-58-3	DNEL	1 mg/m³	human, inhalatory	worker (industry)	chronic - local effects

8.2 Exposure controls

Individual protection measures (personal protective equipment)



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Eye/face protection

Use safety goggle with side protection. Wear face protection.

Skin protection

• hand protection

Wear suitable gloves. Chemical protection gloves are suitable, which are tested according to EN 374. Check leak-tightness/impermeability prior to use. For special purposes, it is recommended to check the resistance to chemicals of the protective gloves mentioned above together with the supplier of these gloves.

• type of material

NBR (Nitrile rubber)

• material thickness

>0,11 mm.

• breakthrough times of the glove material

>480 minutes (permeation: level 6)

• other protection measures

Take recovery periods for skin regeneration. Preventive skin protection (barrier creams/ointments) is recommended.

Respiratory protection

Respiratory protection necessary at: Aerosol or mist formation. P2 (filters at least 94 % of airborne particles, colour code: White).

Observe the wear time limits according GefStoffV in combination with the rules for using respiratory protection apparatus (BGR 190).

Environmental exposure controls

Keep away from drains, surface and ground water.

SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance

Physical state	liquid (fluid)
Colour	colourless
Odour	characteristic
Odour threshold	No data available

Other physical and chemical parameters

pH (value)	14
Melting point/freezing point	not determined
Initial boiling point and boiling range	This information is not available.
Flash point	not determined
Evaporation rate	no data available
Flammability (solid, gas)	not relevant (fluid)

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Explosive limits

- lower explosion limit (LEL)
- upper explosion limit (UEL)

this information is not available

this information is not available

Explosion limits of dust clouds

not relevant

Vapour pressure

This information is not available.

Density

1,5 g/cm³ at 20 °C

Vapour density

This information is not available.

Bulk density

Not applicable

Relative density

Information on this property is not available.

Solubility(ies)

Water solubility

miscible in any proportion

Partition coefficient

n-octanol/water (log KOW)

This information is not available.

Auto-ignition temperature

Information on this property is not available.

Decomposition temperature

no data available

Viscosity

not determined

Explosive properties

none

Oxidising properties

none

9.2 Other information

There is no additional information.

SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

10.1 Reactivity

substance or mixture corrosive to metals

10.2 Chemical stability

The material is stable under normal ambient and anticipated storage and handling conditions of temperature and pressure.

10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

Violent reaction with: Ammonium compounds, Azides, Alkaline earth metal, Halogenated hydrocarbons, Hydrocarbons, Metals, Strong oxidiser, Phosphorus

10.4 Conditions to avoid

There are no specific conditions known which have to be avoided.

10.5 Incompatible materials

different metals, aluminium, zinc, tin

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10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

Hazardous combustion products: see section 5.

SECTION 11: Toxicological information

11.1 Information on toxicological effects

This mixture does not meet the criteria for classification in accordance with Regulation No 1272/2008/EC.

Acute toxicity

• Acute toxicity of components of the mixture

Name of substance	CAS No	Exposure route	ATE
caustic potash	1310-58-3	oral	333 mg/kg

Skin corrosion/irritation

Causes severe burns.

Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Causes serious eye damage.

Respiratory or skin sensitisation

Shall not be classified as a respiratory or skin sensitiser.

Summary of evaluation of the CMR properties

Shall not be classified as germ cell mutagenic, carcinogenic nor as a reproductive toxicant

• Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure

Shall not be classified as a specific target organ toxicant (single exposure).

• Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure

Shall not be classified as a specific target organ toxicant (repeated exposure).

Aspiration hazard

Shall not be classified as presenting an aspiration hazard.

Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics

• If swallowed

If swallowed danger of perforation of the esophagus and the stomach (strong corrosive effects)

• If in eyes

causes burns, Causes serious eye damage, risk of blindness

• If inhaled

corrosive to the respiratory tract

• If on skin

causes severe burns, causes poorly healing wounds

Other information

None.

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SECTION 12: Ecological information

12.1 Toxicity

acc. to 1272/2008/EC: Shall not be classified as hazardous to the aquatic environment.

12.2 Process of degradability

The methods for determining the biological degradability are not applicable to inorganic substances.

12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

Data are not available.

12.4 Mobility in soil

Data are not available.

12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

Data are not available.

12.6 Other adverse effects

Slightly hazardous to water.

SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

13.1 Waste treatment methods

This material and its container must be disposed of as hazardous waste. Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.

Sewage disposal-relevant information

Do not empty into drains.

Waste treatment of containers/packagings

It is a dangerous waste; only packagings which are approved (e.g. acc. to ADR) may be used.

13.2 Relevant provisions relating to waste

The allocation of waste identity numbers/waste descriptions must be carried out according to the EEC, specific to the industry and process.

13.3 Remarks

Waste shall be separated into the categories that can be handled separately by the local or national waste management facilities. Please consider the relevant national or regional provisions.

SECTION 14: Transport information

14.1	UN number	1814
14.2	UN proper shipping name	POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION
	Hazardous ingredients	Caustic potash
14.3	Transport hazard class(es)	
	Class	8 (corrosive substances)
14.4	Packing group	II (substance presenting medium danger)
14.5	Environmental hazards	none (non-environmentally hazardous acc. to the dangerous goods regulations)

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14.6 Special precautions for user

Provisions for dangerous goods (ADR) should be complied within the premises.

14.7 Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL and the IBC Code

The cargo is not intended to be carried in bulk.

14.8 Information for each of the UN Model Regulations

• Transport of dangerous goods by road, rail and inland waterway (ADR/RID/ADN)

UN number	1814
Proper shipping name	POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION
Particulars in the transport document	UN1814, POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION, 8, II, (E)
Class	8
Classification code	C5
Packing group	II
Danger label(s)	8



Excepted quantities (EQ)	E2
Limited quantities (LQ)	1 L
Transport category (TC)	2
Tunnel restriction code (TRC)	E
Hazard identification No	80

• International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG)

UN number	1814
Proper shipping name	POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION
Particulars in the shipper's declaration	UN1814, POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION, 8, II
Class	8
Packing group	II
Danger label(s)	8



Special provisions (SP)	-
Excepted quantities (EQ)	E2
Limited quantities (LQ)	1 L
EmS	F-A, S-B
Stowage category	A
Segregation group	18 - Alkalis

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SECTION 15: Regulatory information

15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

Relevant provisions of the European Union (EU)

- **Regulation 649/2012/EU concerning the export and import of hazardous chemicals (PIC)**

None of the ingredients are listed.

- **Regulation 1005/2009/EC on substances that deplete the ozone layer (ODS)**

None of the ingredients are listed.

- **Regulation 850/2004/EC on persistent organic pollutants (POP)**

None of the ingredients are listed.

- **Restrictions according to REACH, Annex XVII**

None of the ingredients are listed.

- **List of substances subject to authorisation (REACH, Annex XIV)**

None of the ingredients are listed.

- **Limitation of emissions of volatile organic compounds due to the use of organic solvents in certain paints and varnishes and vehicle refinishing products (2004/42/EC, Deco-Paint Directive)**

VOC content 0 %

- **Directive on industrial emissions (VOCs, 2010/75/EU)**

VOC content 0 %

- **Directive 2011/65/EU on the restriction of the use of certain hazardous substances in electrical and electronic equipment (RoHS) - Annex II**

None of the ingredients are listed.

- **Regulation 166/2006/EC concerning the establishment of a European Pollutant Release and Transfer Register (PRTR)**

None of the ingredients are listed.

- **Directive 2000/60/EC establishing a framework for Community action in the field of water policy (WFD)**

None of the ingredients are listed.

15.2 Chemical Safety Assessment

Chemical safety assessments for substances in this mixture were not carried out.

SECTION 16: Other information

Abbreviations and acronyms

Abbr.	Descriptions of used abbreviations
Acute Tox.	acute toxicity
ADN	Accord européen relatif au transport international des marchandises dangereuses par voies de navigation intérieures (European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterways)
ADR	Accord européen relatif au transport international des marchandises dangereuses par route (European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road)
ATE	Acute Toxicity Estimate
CAS	Chemical Abstracts Service (service that maintains the most comprehensive list of chemical substances)
CLP	Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 on classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures
CMR	Carcinogenic, Mutagenic or toxic for Reproduction
DMEL	Derived Minimal Effect Level

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Abbr.	Descriptions of used abbreviations
DNEL	Derived No-Effect Level
EC No	The EC Inventory (EINECS, ELINCS and the NLP-list) is the source for the seven-digit EC number, an identifier of substances commercially available within the EU (European Union)
EH40/2005	EH40/2005 Workplace exposure limits (http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/doc/open-government-licence/)
EINECS	European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances
ELINCS	European List of Notified Chemical Substances
EmS	Emergency Schedule
Eye Dam.	seriously damaging to the eye
Eye Irrit.	irritant to the eye
GHS	"Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals" developed by the United Nations
IMDG	International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code
index No	the Index number is the identification code given to the substance in Part 3 of Annex VI to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008
MARPOL	International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships (abbr. of "Marine Pollutant")
Met. Corr.	substance or mixture corrosive to metals
NLP	No-Longer Polymer
PBT	Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic
PNEC	Predicted No-Effect Concentration
REACH	Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals
RID	Règlement concernant le transport International ferroviaire des marchandises Dangereuses (Regulations concerning the International carriage of Dangerous goods by Rail)
Skin Corr.	corrosive to skin
Skin Irrit.	irritant to skin
STEL	short-term exposure limit
TWA	time-weighted average
VOC	Volatile Organic Compounds
vPvB	very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative
WEL	workplace exposure limit

Key literature references and sources for data

- Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 (REACH), amended by 2015/830/EU
- Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008 (CLP, EU GHS)

List of relevant phrases (code and full text as stated in chapter 2 and 3)

Code	Text
H290	may be corrosive to metals
H302	harmful if swallowed
H314	causes severe skin burns and eye damage
H318	causes serious eye damage

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The above information describes exclusively the safety requirements of the product and is based on our present-day knowledge. The information is intended to give you advice about the safe handling of the product named in this safety data sheet, for storage, processing, transport and disposal. The information cannot be transferred to other products. In the case of mixing the product with other products or in the case of processing, the information on this safety data sheet is not necessarily valid for the new made-up material.