

Safety Data Sheet

according to Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006

31425 Potassium Hydroxide Pellets

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SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking**1.1. Product identifier**

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CAS No: 1310-58-3
Index No: 019-002-00-8
EC No: 215-181-3

1.2. Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against**Use of the substance/mixture**

Water analysis

1.3. Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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1.4. Emergency telephone number:

Poison Control Center Mainz: Tel: +49 (0) 6131 19240 - 24 hour emergency service -

SECTION 2: Hazards identification**2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture****Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008**

Hazard categories:

Acute toxicity: Acute Tox. 4

Skin corrosion/irritation: Skin Corr. 1A

Hazard Statements:

Harmful if swallowed.

Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

2.2. Label elements**Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008****Hazard components for labelling**

potassium hydroxide; caustic potash

Signal word: Danger**Pictograms:**

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Hazard statements

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

Precautionary statements

- P260 Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.
P270 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.
P301+P330+P331 IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.
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.
P304+P340 IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.
P303+P361+P353 IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water or shower.

Additional advice on labelling

The product is classified as dangerous in accordance with Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008.

2.3. Other hazards

None known.

SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients**3.1. Substances****Hazardous components**

CAS No	Chemical name			Quantity
	EC No	Index No	REACH No	
	Classification according to Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008 [CLP]			
1310-58-3	potassium hydroxide; caustic potash			100 %
	215-181-3	019-002-00-8		
	Acute Tox. 4, Skin Corr. 1A; H302 H314			

Full text of H and EUH statements: see section 16.

SECTION 4: First aid measures**4.1. Description of first aid measures****General information**

- Take off all contaminated clothing immediately.
Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

After inhalation

- Move to fresh air. Consult a physician. In the case of accident or if you feel unwell, seek medical advice immediately (show the label where possible).

After contact with skin

- Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Consult a physician.
Immediate medical treatment is necessary as untreated wounds from corrosion of the skin heal slowly and with difficulty. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

After contact with eyes

- Rinse immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Call a physician immediately.

After ingestion

- Do NOT induce vomiting. Drink 1 or 2 glasses of water.
Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.

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Call a physician immediately.

4.2. Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Irritation and corrosion

4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Treat symptomatically.

SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

5.1. Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media

Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.

5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

The product itself does not burn. Contact with metals liberates hydrogen gas.

5.3. Advice for firefighters

In the event of fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus.

In order to avoid contact with skin, keep a safety distance and wear suitable protective clothing.

Additional information

Fire residues and contaminated fire extinguishing water must be disposed of in accordance with local regulations.

SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Use personal protective equipment.

6.2. Environmental precautions

Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system.

6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Use mechanical handling equipment. Dilute with plenty of water. Neutralise with acid.

6.4. Reference to other sections

13. Disposal considerations

SECTION 7: Handling and storage

7.1. Precautions for safe handling

Advice on safe handling

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Do not breathe vapours or spray mist. Use only in well-ventilated areas.

7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Requirements for storage rooms and vessels

Keep away from heat. Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.

Hints on joint storage

Do not store near acids.

SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1. Control parameters

Exposure limits (EH40)

CAS No	Substance	ppm	mg/m ³	fibres/ml	Category	Origin
1310-58-3	Potassium hydroxide	-	2		STEL (15 min)	WEL

Additional advice on limit values

None known.

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8.2. Exposure controls

Appropriate engineering controls

The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

Protective and hygiene measures

Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

Eye/face protection

Safety glasses with side-shields

Hand protection

Use barrier skin cream. The selected protective gloves have to satisfy the specifications of EU Directive 89/686/EEC and the standard EN 374 derived from it.

Skin protection

Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing.

Respiratory protection

Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas.

Breathing apparatus only if aerosol or dust is formed.

Recommended Filter type: ABEK-filter

SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Physical state:	solid, pellets
Colour:	white
Odour:	irritating
pH-Value (at 20 °C):	13,5

Changes in the physical state

Melting point:	360 °C
Sublimation point:	not applicable
Softening point:	not applicable
Pour point:	not applicable
Flash point:	not applicable

Flammability

Solid:	not applicable
Gas:	not applicable

Explosive properties

not applicable

Lower explosion limits:	not applicable
Upper explosion limits:	not applicable
Ignition temperature:	not applicable

Auto-ignition temperature

Solid:	no data available
Gas:	no data available

Decomposition temperature:	no data available
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Oxidizing properties

not applicable

Vapour pressure:	no data available
Density (at 20 °C):	2,044 g/cm ³

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Bulk density:	not applicable
Water solubility:	soluble
Solubility in other solvents	
no data available	
Partition coefficient:	no data available
Viscosity / dynamic:	no data available
Viscosity / kinematic:	no data available
Flow time:	no data available
Vapour density:	no data available
Evaporation rate:	no data available
Solvent separation test:	no data available
Solvent content:	no data available

9.2. Other information

Solid content:	not applicable
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SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

10.1. Reactivity

No dangerous reaction known under conditions of normal use.

10.2. Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

To avoid thermal decomposition, do not overheat.

10.4. Conditions to avoid

Extremes of temperature and direct sunlight. Decomposes on heating.

10.5. Incompatible materials

Acids, Alcohols, Metals, Peroxides

10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

None known.

SECTION 11: Toxicological information

11.1. Information on toxicological effects

Toxicokinetics, metabolism and distribution

No toxicology information is available.

Acute toxicity

Harmful if swallowed.

CAS No	Chemical name				
	Exposure route	Dose	Species	Source	Method
1310-58-3	potassium hydroxide; caustic potash				
	oral	LD50 mg/kg	333	Rat	Merck

Irritation and corrosivity

Causes burns.

Sensitising effects

No known effect.

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Carcinogenic/mutagenic/toxic effects for reproduction

Contains no ingredient listed as a carcinogen

STOT-single exposure

The substance or mixture is not classified as specific target organ toxicant, single exposure.

STOT-repeated exposure

The substance or mixture is not classified as specific target organ toxicant, repeated exposure.

Aspiration hazard

No aspiration toxicity classification

Specific effects in experiment on an animal

No toxicology information is available.

Further information

Other dangerous properties can not be excluded. Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

SECTION 12: Ecological information

12.1. Toxicity

No data is available on the product itself.

CAS No	Chemical name					
	Aquatic toxicity	Dose	[h] [d]	Species	Source	Method
1310-58-3	potassium hydroxide; caustic potash					
	Acute fish toxicity	LC50	80 mg/l	96 h	Gambusia affinis	IUCLID

12.2. Persistence and degradability

No data is available on the product itself.

12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

No data is available on the product itself.

12.4. Mobility in soil

no data available

12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

no data available

12.6. Other adverse effects

No known effect.

SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

13.1. Waste treatment methods

Advice on disposal

In accordance with local and national regulations.

Waste disposal number of waste from residues/unused products

160506 WASTES NOT OTHERWISE SPECIFIED IN THE LIST; gases in pressure containers and discarded chemicals; laboratory chemicals, consisting of or containing hazardous substances, including mixtures of laboratory chemicals; hazardous waste

Waste disposal number of used product

160506 WASTES NOT OTHERWISE SPECIFIED IN THE LIST; gases in pressure containers and discarded chemicals; laboratory chemicals, consisting of or containing hazardous substances, including mixtures of laboratory chemicals; hazardous waste

Waste disposal number of contaminated packaging

160506 WASTES NOT OTHERWISE SPECIFIED IN THE LIST; gases in pressure containers and discarded chemicals; laboratory chemicals, consisting of or containing hazardous substances, including mixtures of laboratory chemicals; hazardous waste

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SECTION 14: Transport information

Land transport (ADR/RID)

14.1. UN number: UN 1813
14.2. UN proper shipping name: Potassium hydroxide, solid
14.3. Transport hazard class(es): 8
14.4. Packing group: II
Hazard label: 8



Classification code: C6
Limited quantity: 1 kg
Excepted quantity: E2
Transport category: 2
Hazard No: 80
Tunnel restriction code: E

Inland waterways transport (ADN)

Other applicable information (inland waterways transport)
Not tested

Marine transport (IMDG)

14.1. UN number: UN 1813
14.2. UN proper shipping name: POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE, SOLID
14.3. Transport hazard class(es): 8
14.4. Packing group: II
Hazard label: 8



Special Provisions: -
Limited quantity: 1 kg
Excepted quantity: E2
EmS: F-A, S-B

Air transport (ICAO-TI/IATA-DGR)

14.1. UN number: UN 1813
14.2. UN proper shipping name: POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE, SOLID
14.3. Transport hazard class(es): 8
14.4. Packing group: II
Hazard label: 8



Special Provisions: A3 A803
Limited quantity Passenger: 5 kg
Passenger LQ: Y844
Excepted quantity: E2
IATA-packing instructions - Passenger: 859

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IATA-max. quantity - Passenger:	15 kg
IATA-packing instructions - Cargo:	863
IATA-max. quantity - Cargo:	50 kg

14.5. Environmental hazards

ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS:	no
Danger releasing substance:	Not relevant

14.6. Special precautions for user

no data available

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

Not relevant

Other applicable information

Not relevant

SECTION 15: Regulatory information

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

National regulatory information

Employment restrictions:	Observe restrictions to employment for juvenils according to the 'juvenile work protection guideline' (94/33/EC).
Water contaminating class (D):	1 - slightly water contaminating

15.2. Chemical safety assessment

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

SECTION 16: Other information

Changes

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Safety datasheet sections which have been updated: 4-16

Relevant H and EUH statements (number and full text)

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