

Safety Data Sheet

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1: IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

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Product Name	Potassium Nitrate
Product Code	43201
CAS No.	7757-79-1

Recommended use

: Laboratory Investigations

2: Hazard's identification

2.1 GHS Classification

Oxidizing liquids or solids (Category C), H272 Acute toxicity, Oral (Category E), H303 Aquatic toxicity (Acute or Chronic) (Category D), H402

2.2 GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements Pictogram



Signal word : Warning

Hazard statement(s)

H272 May intensify fire; oxidizer.

- H303 May be harmful if swallowed.
- H402 Harmful to aquatic life.

Precautionary statement(s)

Prevention

- P210 Keep away from heat.
- P220 Keep/Store away from clothing/ combustible materials.
- P221 Take any precaution to avoid mixing with combustibles.
- P273 Avoid release to the environment.
- P280 Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.

Response

P312 Call a POISON CENTER/ doctor if you feel unwell.

P370 + P378 In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam for extinction.

Disposal

P501 Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant.

2.3 Other hazards - none

3: Composition/information on ingredients

3.1 Substances

Formula	:	KNO3
Molecular weight	:	101.10 g/mol
CAS-No.	:	7757-79-1
EC-No.	:	231-818-8

4: First aid measures

4.1 Description of first-aid measures General advice

Consult a physician. Show this material safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

If inhaled

If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Consult a physician.

In case of skin contact

Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Consult a physician.

In case of eye contact

Flush eyes with water as a precaution.

If swallowed

Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. Consult a physician.

4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2.2) and/or in section 11

4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed No data available

5: Firefighting measures

5.1 Extinguishing media Suitable extinguishing media Dry powder Dry sand

5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Nitrogen oxides (NOx) Potassium oxides Not combustible.

5.3 Advice for firefighters

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for firefighting if necessary.

5.4 Further information

Use water spray to cool unopened containers.

6: Accidental release measures

6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapors, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate personnel to safe areas.

For personal protection see section 8.

6.2 Environmental precautions

Do not let product enter drains.

6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Sweep up and shovel. Contain spillage, and then collect with an electrically protected vacuum cleaner or by wet-brushing and place in container for disposal according to local regulations (see section 13). Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

6.4 Reference to other sections

For disposal see section 13.

7: Handling and storage

7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Advice on protection against fire and explosion Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed. Keep away from sources of ignition - No smoking. Keep away from heat and sources of ignition.

Hygiene measures

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

For precautions see section 2.2.

7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities Storage conditions

Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. hygroscopic Store under inert gas.

7.3 Specific end use(s)

Apart from the uses mentioned in section 1.2 no other specific uses are stipulated

8: Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1 Control parameters

Ingredients with workplace control parameters

We are not aware of any national exposure limit.

8.2 Exposure controls

Appropriate engineering controls

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

Personal protective equipment Eve/face protection

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Personal protective equipm	nent :	Wear fire/flame resistant/retardant clothing.
Hand protection	:	protective gloves
Eye protection	:	Chemical goggles or safety glasses
Skin and body protection	:	Wear suitable protective clothing
Respiratory protection	:	Wear respiratory protection

9: Physical and chemical properties

9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Physical state	:	Solid
Molecular mass	:	101.1 g/mol
Colour	:	White crystalline.

Odour Odour threshold pH	:	odourless. No data available 5.5 - 8
Relative evaporation rate- (butylacetate=1) Melting point	:	No data available 334 °C
Freezing point Boiling point Flash point	:	No data available 4000 °C No data available
Auto-ignition temperature Decomposition temperature Flammability (solid, gas)	:	No data available No data available No data available
Vapour pressure Relative vapour density-	:	No data available
at 20 °C Relative density Density	:	3 No data available 2.109 g/cm ³
Solubility Log Pow Viscosity, kinematic	:	Water: 36 g/100ml No data available No data available
Viscosity, dynamic Explosive properties Oxidising properties	:	No data available No data available May cause fire or explosion; strong oxidiser.
Explosive limits		No data available

9.2. Other information

No additional information available

10: Stability and reactivity

10.1 Reactivity

No data available

10.2 Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

No data available

10.4 Conditions to avoid

No data available

10.5 Incompatible materials

No data available

10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

In the event of fire: see section 5

11: Toxicological information

11.1. Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity	:	Not classified
Skin corrosion/irritation	:	Not classified pH : 5.5 - 8
Serious eye damage/irritation	ר: ו	Not classified pH : 5.5 - 8

Respiratory or skin sensitisation :		Not classified
Germ cell mutagenicity	:	Not classified
Carcinogenicity	:	Not classified
Reproductive toxicity	:	Not classified
Specific target organ toxicity (Single exposure)	:	Not classified
Specific target organ toxicity (Repeated exposure)	:	Not classified
Aspiration hazard	:	Not classified

Potential adverse human health effects and symptoms : Harmful if swallowed.

12: Ecological information

12.1 Toxicity

TOXICITY TO TISH :
static test LC50 - Oncorhynchus mykiss (rainbow trout) - > 100 mg/l - 96 h
(OECD Test Guideline 203)
Remarks: (above the solubility limit in the test medium)

Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates :

EC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 490 mg/l - 48 h Remarks: (above the solubility limit in the test medium)

Toxicity to algae :

static test ErC50 - diatoms - > 1,700 mg/l - 10 Days Remarks: (above the solubility limit in the test medium)

Toxicity to bacteria :

EC50 - activated sludge - > 1,000 mg/l - 3 h (OECD Test Guideline 209) Remarks: (above the solubility limit in the test medium)

12.2 Persistence and degradability

12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

No data available

12.4 Mobility in soil

No data available

12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

PBT/vPvB assessment not available as chemical safety assessment not required/not conducted

12.6 Other adverse effects

Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

13: Disposal considerations

13.1 Waste treatment methods

Product

Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company. Burn in a

chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber but exert extra care in igniting as this material is highly flammable.

Contaminated packaging

Dispose of as unused product.

14: Transport Information Table

		ADR/RID – European packaging certification	IMDG International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code	IATA – DGR International Air Travel Association – Dangerous Goods Regulations	
14.1	UN Number	1486	1486	1486	
14.2	UN Proper	POTASSIUM	POTASSIUM	Potassium nitrate	
	Shipping name	NITRATE	NITRATE		
14.3	Transport Hazard Class	5.1	5.1	5.1	
14.4	Packaging group		III	III	
14.5	Environmental Hazards	No	No	No	
14.6	Special precautions for user	None			
14.7	Hazchem Code	1Z			

15: Regulatory information

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

National regulatory information

HSNO Approval Code: HSR001338 HSNO Group Standard Approval: HSR002596 - Laboratory Chemicals and Reagent Kits Group Standard 2006 Tracking Required: not required

Approved Handler Cert.: not required

16: Disclaimer

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