

Safety Data Sheet

According to Hazardous Products Regulation (SOR/2015-17)

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SECTION 1: Identification

Product identifier

Trade name/designation:	Potassium hydroxide 10% w/v
Product No.:	BDH7907
Synonymes:	none/none
CAS No.:	1310-58-3
Other means of identification:	

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

Recommended Use:	For Further Manufacturing Use Only
Uses advised against:	Not for Human or Animal Drug Use

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Supplier

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SECTION 2: Hazard identification

2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

Classification according to Hazardous Products Regulation (SOR/2015-17)

Hazard classes and hazard categories	Hazard statements
Substance or mixture corrosive to metals, category 1	H290
Skin corrosion, category 1A	H314

2.2 Label elements

Labelling in accordance with (SOR/2015-17)

Hazard pictograms



Signal word: Danger

Hazard statements	
H290	May be corrosive to metals.
H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

Precautionary Statements	
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.
P308+P310	IF exposed or concerned: Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor.

Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)

none/none

SECTION 3: Composition / information on ingredients

3.1 Substances

not applicable

3.2 Mixtures

Hazardous ingredients GHS Classification in accordance with (SOR/2015-17)

Substance name	Concentration	Identifier	Hazard classes and hazard categories
Potassium hydroxide	> 5 %	CAS No.: 1310-58-3	Met. Corr. 1 - H290 Acute Tox. 4 - H302 Skin Corr. 1A - H314

SECTION 4: First aid measures

4.1 General information

IF exposed: Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor. If unconscious place in recovery position and seek medical advice. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person or a person with cramps. Change contaminated, saturated clothing. Do not leave affected person unattended.

In case of inhalation

Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor. Remove casualty to fresh air and keep warm and at rest. If breathing is irregular or stopped, administer artificial respiration.

In case of skin contact

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

After 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. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

In case of ingestion

Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor. Do NOT induce vomiting. Rinse mouth thoroughly with water. Give nothing to eat or drink.

4.2 Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed

no data available

4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

no data available

4.4 Self-protection of the first aider

First aider: Pay attention to self-protection!

4.5 Information to physician

no data available

SECTION 5: Fire fighting measures

5.1 Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media

The product itself does not burn.
Co-ordinate fire-fighting measures to the fire surroundings.

Extinguishing media which must not be used for safety reasons

no restriction

5.2 Specific hazards arising from the chemical

In case of fire may be liberated:
Pyrolysis products, toxic

5.3 Advice for firefighters

DO NOT fight fire when fire reaches explosives.
Protective equipment and precautions for firefighters
Wear a self-contained breathing apparatus and chemical protective clothing.

Additional information

Do not allow run-off from fire-fighting to enter drains or water courses.
Do not inhale explosion and combustion gases.
Use water spray/stream to protect personnel and to cool endangered containers.
In case of fire: Evacuate area.

SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Special danger of slipping by leaking/spilling product. In case of major fire and large quantities: Remove persons to safety. Wear a self-contained breathing apparatus and chemical protective clothing.

6.2 Environmental precautions

Do not allow to enter into soil/subsoil. Do not allow to enter into surface water or drains.

6.3 Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Spilled product must never be returned to the original container for recycling. Soak up inert absorbent and dispose as waste requiring special attention.

6.4 Additional information

Clear spills immediately.

SECTION 7: Handling and storage

7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Avoid:

Inhalation

Avoid contact with eyes and skin.

Use extractor hood (laboratory).

If handled uncovered, arrangements with local exhaust ventilation have to be used.

If local exhaust ventilation is not possible or not sufficient, the entire working area must be ventilated by technical means.

Protect from moisture.

7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Recommended storage temperature: 15-25 °C

Keep container tightly closed and in a well-ventilated place.

7.3 Specific end use(s)

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

SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1 Control parameters

Does not contain substances above concentration limits fixing an occupational exposure limit.

8.2 Engineering controls

Appropriate engineering controls

Technical measures and the application of suitable work processes have priority over personal protection equipment. If handled uncovered, arrangements with local exhaust ventilation have to be used.

Personal protection equipment (PPE)

Wear suitable protective clothing. When handling with chemical substances, protective clothing must be worn.

Eye/face protection

Eye glasses with side protection

Skin protection

Wear suitable gloves. When handling with chemical substances, protective gloves must be worn. In the case of wanting to use the gloves again, clean them before taking off and air them well. Check leak tightness/impermeability prior to use.

By short-term hand contact

Suitable material:	NBR (Nitrile rubber)
Thickness of the glove material:	0,12 mm
Breakthrough time (maximum wearing time):	> 480 min

By long-term hand contact

Suitable material:	NBR (Nitrile rubber)
Thickness of the glove material:	0,38 mm
Breakthrough time (maximum wearing time):	> 480 min

Respiratory protection

Respiratory protection necessary at: aerosol or mist formation If exposure limits are exceeded or irritation is experienced, NIOSH approved respiratory protection should be worn.

Additional information

Wash hands before breaks and after work. Avoid contact with eyes and skin. When using do not eat, drink or smoke. Provide eye shower and label its location conspicuously.

Environmental exposure controls

no data available

SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

(a) Appearance	
Physical state:	liquid
Color:	colorless
(b) Odour:	no data available
(c) Odour threshold:	no data available

Safety relevant basic data

(d) pH:	no data available
(e) Melting point/freezing point:	no data available
(f) Initial boiling point and boiling range:	no data available
(g) Flash point:	no data available
(h) Evaporation rate:	no data available
(i) Flammability (solid, gas):	not applicable
(j) Flammability or explosive limits	
Lower explosion limit:	no data available
Upper explosion limit:	no data available
(k) Vapour pressure:	no data available
(l) Vapour density:	no data available
(m) Relative density:	no data available
(n) Solubility(ies)	
Water solubility (g/L):	no data available
Soluble (g/L) in Ethanol:	no data available
(o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water:	no data available
(p) Auto-ignition temperature:	no data available
(q) Decomposition temperature:	no data available
(r) Viscosity	
Kinematic viscosity:	no data available
Dynamic viscosity:	no data available
(s) Explosive properties:	not applicable
(t) Oxidising properties:	not applicable

9.2 Other information

Bulk density:	no data available
Refraction index:	no data available
Dissociation constant:	no data available
Surface tension:	no data available
Henry's Law Constant:	no data available

SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

10.1 Reactivity

no data available

10.2 Chemical stability

The product is chemically stable under standard ambient conditions (room temperature) .

10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

Formation of explosive mixtures with:

Metal, base

light metals

Formation of:

Hydrogen

Violent reaction with:

Acid

Oxidising agent, strong

10.4 Conditions to avoid

no data available

10.5 Incompatible materials

Substance, organic

Metal

10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

no data available

10.7 Additional information

no data available

SECTION 11: Toxicological information

11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Acute effects

Acute oral toxicity:

Potassium hydroxide - LD50: > 273 mg/kg - Rat - (RTECS)

Acute dermal toxicity:

no data available

Acute inhalation toxicity:

no data available

Irritant and corrosive effects

Primary irritation to the skin:

Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

Irritation to eyes:

Causes serious eye damage.

Irritation to respiratory tract:

not applicable

Respiratory or skin sensitization

In case of skin contact: not sensitising

In case of inhalation: not sensitising

STOT-single exposure

not applicable

STOT-repeated exposure

not applicable

CMR effects (carcinogenicity, mutagenicity and toxicity for reproduction)

Carcinogenicity

The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen.

no data available	ACGIH	IARC	NTP	OSHA

Germ cell mutagenicity

No indications of human germ cell mutagenicity exist.

Reproductive toxicity

No indications of human reproductive toxicity exist.

Aspiration hazard

not applicable

Other adverse effects

no data available

Additional information

no data available

SECTION 12: Ecological information

12.1 Ecotoxicity

Fish toxicity:

no data available

Daphnia toxicity:

no data available

Algae toxicity:

no data available

Bacteria toxicity:

no data available

12.2 Persistence and degradability

no data available

12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water: no data available

12.4 Mobility in soil:

no data available

12.5 Results of PBT/vPvB assessment

The substances in the mixture do not meet the PBT/vPvB criteria according to REACH, annex XIII.

12.6 Other adverse effects

no data available

SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

13.1 Waste treatment methods

Appropriate disposal / Product

Dispose according to legislation. Consult the appropriate local waste disposal expert about waste disposal.

Waste code product: no data available

Appropriate disposal / Package

Dispose according to legislation. Handle contaminated packages in the same way as the substance itself.

Additional information

no data available

SECTION 14: Transport information

Land transport (TDG)

UN-No.:	1814
Proper Shipping Name:	POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE, SOLUTION
Class(es):	8
Packing group:	II
Environmental hazards:	No
Marine pollutant:	No
Special precautions for user:	

Sea transport (IMDG)

UN-No.:	1814
Proper Shipping Name:	POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION
Class(es):	8
Classification code:	
Hazard label(s):	8

Packing group:	II
Environmental hazards:	No
Marine pollutant:	No
Special precautions for user:	
Segregation group:	18
EmS-No.	F-A S-B
Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code	
not relevant	

Air transport (ICAO-TI / IATA-DGR)

UN-No.:	1814
Proper Shipping Name:	POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION
Class(es):	8
Classification code:	
Hazard label(s):	8
Packing group:	II
Special precautions for user:	

SECTION 15: Regulatory information

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

Domestic Substance List:

SECTION 16: Other information

Abbreviations and acronyms

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists
DOT - Department of Transportation
IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer
IATA-DGR - International Air Transport Association-Dangerous Goods Regulations
ICAO-TI - International Civil Aviation Organization-Technical Instructions
IMDG - International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods
LTV - Long Term Value
NIOSH - National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health
NTP - National Toxicology Program
OSHA - Occupational Safety & Health Administration
PBT - Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic
PEL - Permissible Exposure Limit
STV - Short Term Value
SVHC - Substances of Very High Concern
TDG - Transport of Dangerous Goods
TLV - Threshold Limit Value
vPvB - very Persistent, very Bioaccumulative

Additional information

Indication of changes: general update

The above information is believed to be correct but does not purport to be all-inclusive and shall be used only as a guidance. The information in this document is based on the present state knowledge and is applicable to the product with regard to appropriate safety precautions. It does not represent any guarantee of the properties of the product. VWR International and his Affiliates shall not be held liable for any damage resulting from handling.