



Safety Data Sheet

Potassium hydroxide solution in Ethanol 0.5 N



Section 1: Chemical Product and Company Identification

Product Name: Potassium hydroxide solution in ethanol 0.5 N

Catalog Codes: 760

CAS#: -

RTECS: -

TSCA: -

Synonym: -

Chemical Name: -

Chemical Formula: -

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Section 2: Composition and Information on Ingredients

Composition:

Name	CAS #	% by Weight
Ethanol	64-17-5	>= 70 - < 90 %
Caustic potash	1310-58-3	>= 3 - < 5 %

Toxicological Data on Ingredients:

Section 3: Hazards Identification

3.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

Flammable liquids, (Category 2)

H225: Highly flammable liquid and vapor.

Corrosive to Metals, (Category 1)

H290: May be corrosive to metals.

Skin corrosion, (Sub-category 1B)

Serious eye damage, (Category 1)

H314: Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

H318: Causes serious eye damage.

3.2 Label elements

Pictogram



Signal Word

Danger

Hazard Statements

H225

H290

H314

Highly flammable liquid and vapor

May be corrosive to metals.

Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

Precautionary Statements

P210

Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking.

P233

Keep container tightly closed.

P234

Keep only in original packaging.

P280

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

P303 + P361 + P353

IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water.

P305 + P351 + P338

IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

Supplemental Hazard

none

Reduced Labeling (<= 125 ml)

Pictogram



Signal Word

Danger

Hazard Statements

H314

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3.3 Other hazards

This substance/mixture contains no components considered to be either persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic (PBT), or very persistent and very bioaccumulative (vPvB) at levels of 0.1% or higher.

Ecological information:

The substance/mixture does not contain components considered to have endocrine disrupting properties according to REACH Article 57(f) or Commission Delegated regulation (EU) 2017/2100 or Commission Regulation (EU) 2018/605 at levels of 0.1% or higher.

Toxicological information:

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Section 4: First Aid Measures

4.1 Description of first-aid measures

General advice

First aiders need to protect themselves. Show this material safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

If inhaled

After inhalation: fresh air. Call in physician.

In case of skin contact

In case of skin contact: Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ shower. Call a physician immediately.

In case of eye contact

After eye contact: rinse out with plenty of water. Immediately call in ophthalmologist. Remove contact lenses.

If swallowed

After swallowing: make victim drink water (two glasses at most), avoid vomiting (risk of perforation). Call a physician immediately. Do not attempt to neutralise.

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 3.2) and/or in section 11

4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

No data available

Section 5: Fire and Explosion Data

5.1 Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media

Carbon dioxide (CO₂) Dry powder Foam

Unsuitable extinguishing media

For this substance/mixture no limitations of extinguishing agents are given.

5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Carbon oxides

Potassium oxides

Combustible.

Pay attention to flashback.

Vapors are heavier than air and may spread along floors.

Development of hazardous combustion gases or vapours possible in the event of fire.

Forms explosive mixtures with air at ambient temperatures.

5.3 Advice for firefighters

Stay in danger area only with self-contained breathing apparatus. Prevent skin contact by keeping a safe distance or by wearing suitable protective clothing.

5.4 Further information

Remove container from danger zone and cool with water. Prevent fire extinguishing water from contaminating surface water or the ground water system.

Section 6: Accidental Release Measures

6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Advice for non-emergency personnel: Do not breathe vapors, aerosols. Avoid substance contact. Ensure adequate ventilation. Keep away from heat and sources of ignition.

Evacuate the danger area, observe emergency procedures, consult an expert.
For personal protection see section 8.

6.2 Environmental precautions

Do not let product enter drains. Risk of explosion.

6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Cover drains. Collect, bind, and pump off spills. Observe possible material restrictions (see sections 7 and 10). Take up with liquid-absorbent and neutralising material (e.g. Chemizorb® OH⁻, Merck Art. No. 101596). Dispose of properly. Clean up affected area.

6.4 Reference to other sections

For disposal see section 13.

Section 7: Handling and Storage

7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Advice on protection against fire and explosion

Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition. Take precautionary measures against static discharge.

Hygiene measures

Immediately change contaminated clothing. Apply preventive skin protection. Wash hands and face after working with substance.

For precautions see section 3.2.

7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Storage conditions

No metal containers.

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

Recommended storage temperature see product label.

Storage class

Storage class (TRGS 510): 3: Flammable liquids

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

Ingredients with workplace control parameters

8.2 Exposure controls

Personal protective equipment

Eye/face protection

Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU). Tightly fitting safety goggles

Skin protection

This recommendation applies only to the product stated in the safety data sheet, supplied by us and for the designated use. When dissolving in or mixing with other substances and under conditions deviating from those stated in EN 16523-1 please contact the supplier of CE-approved gloves (e.g. KCL GmbH, D-36124 Eichenzell, Internet: www.kcl.de).

Full contact

Material: butyl-rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0,7 mm

Break through time: 480 min

Material tested: Butoject® (KCL 898)

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Splash contact

Material: Nitrile rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0,40 mm

Break through time: 120 min

Material tested: Camatril® (KCL 730 / Aldrich Z677442, Size M)

Body Protection

Flame retardant antistatic protective clothing.

Respiratory protection

Recommended Filter type: Filter A-(P2)

The entrepreneur has to ensure that maintenance, cleaning and testing of respiratory protective devices are carried out according to the instructions of the producer. These measures have to be properly documented.

Control of environmental exposure

Do not let product enter drains. Risk of explosion.

Section 9: Physical and Chemical Properties

Physical state	liquid
Color	light yellow
Odor	of ethanol
pH	ca.14 at 20 °C
Melting point/freezing point	Melting point: -114,5 °C - (ethanol)
Initial boiling point and boiling range	78,3 °C at 1.013 hPa - (ethanol)
Flash point	12 °C - closed cup - c.c. - (ethanol)
Flammability (solid, gas)	No data available
Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits	Upper explosion limit: 15,0 %(V) - (ethanol) Lower explosion limit: 3,5 %(V) - (ethanol)
Vapor pressure	59 hPa at 20 °C - (ethanol)
Density	0,85 g/cm ³ at 20 °C
Relative density	No data available
Water solubility	at 20 °C soluble
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	No data available
Autoignition Temperature	No data available
Decomposition Temperature	No data available

Viscosity	Viscosity, kinematic: No data available Viscosity, dynamic: 1,2 mPa.s at 20 °C - (ethanol)
Relative vapor density	1,6 - (ethanol)
Explosive properties	Not classified as explosive.
Oxidizing properties	None
Other safety information	No data available

Section 10: Stability and Reactivity Data

10.1 Reactivity

Vapors may form explosive mixture with air.

10.2 Chemical stability

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

10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

Risk of explosion/exothermic reaction with:

hydrogen peroxide
perchlorates
perchloric acid
Nitric acid
mercury(II) nitrate
permanganic acid
Nitriles
peroxi compounds
Strong oxidizing agents
nitrosyl compounds
Peroxides
sodium
Potassium
halogen oxides
calcium hypochlorite
nitrogen dioxide
metallic oxides
uranium hexafluoride
iodides
Chlorine
Alkali metals

Alkaline earth metals

alkali oxides

Ethylene oxide

silver

with

Nitric acid

silver compounds

with

Ammonia

potassium permanganate

with

conc. sulfuric acid

Risk of ignition or formation of inflammable gases or vapours with:

halogen-halogen compounds

chromium (VI) oxide

chromyl chloride

Fluorine

hydrides

platinum

Nitric acid

with

potassium permanganate

10.4 Conditions to avoid

Warming.

Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition.

Warming.

10.5 Incompatible materials

animal/vegetable tissues, glass, various plastics, various metals, various alloysMetals

10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

In the event of fire: see section 5

Section 11: Toxicological Information

11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Mixture

Acute toxicity

Acute toxicity estimate Oral - > 2.000 mg/kg

(Calculation method)

Symptoms: If ingested, severe burns of the mouth and throat, as well as a danger of perforation of the esophagus and the stomach.

Symptoms: mucosal irritations, Cough, Shortness of breath, Possible damages, damage

of respiratory tract
Dermal: No data available

Skin corrosion/irritation

Remarks: Mixture causes burns.

Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Remarks: Mixture causes serious eye damage.
Risk of blindness!

Respiratory or skin sensitization

No data available

Germ cell mutagenicity

No data available

Carcinogenicity

No data available

Reproductive toxicity

No data available

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure

No data available

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure

No data available

Aspiration hazard

No data available

11.2 Additional Information

Endocrine disrupting properties

Product:

Assessment: The substance/mixture does not contain components considered to have endocrine disrupting properties according to REACH Article 57(f) or Commission Delegated regulation (EU) 2017/2100 or Commission Regulation (EU) 2018/605 at levels of 0.1% or higher.

Other dangerous properties can not be excluded.

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

Components

ethanol

Acute toxicity

LD50 Oral - Rat - male and female - 10.470 mg/kg

(OECD Test Guideline 401)

LC50 Inhalation - Rat - male and female - 4 h - 124,7 mg/l – vapor

(OECD Test Guideline 403)

Dermal: No data available

Skin corrosion/irritation

Skin - Rabbit

Result: No skin irritation - 24 h

(OECD Test Guideline 404)

Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Eyes - Rabbit

Result: Causes serious eye irritation.

(OECD Test Guideline 405)

Respiratory or skin sensitization

Maximization Test - Guinea pig

Result: negative

(OECD Test Guideline 406)

Remarks: (in analogy to similar products)

The value is given in analogy to the following substances: Methanol

Germ cell mutagenicity

Test Type: Ames test

Test system: Salmonella typhimurium

Result: negative

Test Type: In vitro mammalian cell gene mutation test

Test system: mouse lymphoma cells

Result: negative

Method: OECD Test Guideline 478

Species: Mouse - male

Result: Positive results were obtained in some in vivo tests.

Carcinogenicity

No data available

Reproductive toxicity

No data available

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure

No data available

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure

No data available

Aspiration hazard

No data available

caustic potash**Acute toxicity**

LD50 Oral - Rat - male - 333 mg/kg

(OECD Test Guideline 425)

Symptoms: If ingested, severe burns of the mouth and throat, as well as a danger of perforation of the esophagus and the stomach.

Acute toxicity estimate Oral - 333 mg/kg

(Calculation method)

Symptoms: burns of mucous membranes, Cough, Shortness of breath, Possible damages:., damage of respiratory tract

Dermal: No data available

Skin corrosion/irritation

Skin – Rabbit

Result: Causes burns.

Remarks: (IUCLID)

Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Eyes - Rabbit

Result: Causes serious eye damage.

(OECD Test Guideline 405)

Remarks: Causes serious eye damage.

Respiratory or skin sensitization

Sensitisation test: - Guinea pig

Result: negative

Remarks: (IUCLID)

Germ cell mutagenicity

Test Type: Ames test

Test system: S. typhimurium

Result: negative

Remarks: (ECHA)

Test Type: In vitro mammalian cell gene mutation test

Test system: mouse lymphoma cells

Result: negative

Carcinogenicity

No data available

Reproductive toxicity

No data available

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure

Acute oral toxicity - If ingested, severe burns of the mouth and throat, as well as a danger of perforation of the esophagus and the stomach. Acute inhalation toxicity - burns of mucous membranes, Cough, Shortness of breath, Possible damages:, damage of respiratory tract

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure

No data available

Aspiration hazard

No data available

Section 12: Ecological Information**12.1 Toxicity****Mixture**

No data available

12.2 Persistence and degradability

No data available

12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

No data available

12.4 Mobility in soil

No data available

12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

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12.6 Endocrine disrupting properties**Product:**

Assessment: The substance/mixture does not contain components considered to have endocrine disrupting properties according to REACH Article 57(f) or Commission Delegated regulation (EU) 2017/2100 or Commission Regulation (EU) 2018/605 at levels of 0.1% or higher.

12.7 Other adverse effects

Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

**Components
ethanol**

Toxicity to fish	flow-through test LC50 - Pimephales promelas (fathead minnow) - 15.300 mg/l - 96 h (US-EPA)
Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates	static test LC50 - Ceriodaphnia dubia (water flea) - 5.012 mg/l - 48 h Remarks: (ECHA)
Toxicity to algae	static test ErC50 - Chlorella vulgaris (Fresh water algae) - 275 mg/l - 72 h (OECD Test Guideline 201)
Toxicity to bacteria	static test IC50 - activated sludge - > 1.000 mg/l - 3 h (OECD Test Guideline 209)
Toxicity to fish (Chronic toxicity)	semi-static test NOEC - Danio rerio (zebra fish) - 250 mg/l – 120 h Remarks: (ECHA)
Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates (Chronic toxicity)	semi-static test NOEC - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 9,6 mg/l – 9 d Remarks: (ECHA)
caustic potash Toxicity to fish	static test LC50 - Gambusia affinis (Mosquito fish) - 80 mg/l - 96 h Remarks: (ECOTOX Database)

Section 13: Disposal Considerations

13.1 Waste treatment methods
No data available

Section 14: Transport Information

14.1 UN number

ADR/RID: 2924

IMDG: 2924

IATA: 2924

14.2 UN proper shipping name

ADR/RID: FLAMMABLE LIQUID, CORROSIVE, N.O.S. (ethanol, Potassium hydroxide)

IMDG: FLAMMABLE LIQUID, CORROSIVE, N.O.S. (ethanol, Potassium hydroxide)

IATA: Flammable liquid, corrosive, n.o.s. (ethanol, Potassium hydroxide)

14.3 Transport hazard class(es)

ADR/RID: 3 (8)

IMDG: 3 (8)

IATA: 3 (8)

14.4 Packaging group

ADR/RID: II

IMDG: II

IATA: II

14.5 Environmental hazards

ADR/RID: no

IMDG Marine pollutant: no

IATA: no

14.6 Special precautions for user

Tunnel restriction code: (D/E)

Further information: No data available

Section 15: Other Regulatory Information**15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture**

This material safety data sheet complies with the requirements of Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006.

National legislation

Seveso III: Directive 2012/18/EU of the P5c FLAMMABLE LIQUIDS
European Parliament and of the Council
on the control of major-accident hazards
involving dangerous substances.

Other regulations

Take note of Dir 94/33/EC on the protection of young people at work.

15.2 Chemical Safety Assessment

For this product a chemical safety assessment was not carried out

Section 16: Other Information

References: Not available

Other Special Considerations: Not available

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