

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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## 1. Identification

**Product Name** Potassium carbonate sesquihydrate

**Cat No. :** AC347200000; AC347200010; AC347200025; AC347202500

**CAS No** 6381-79-9

**Synonyms** Potash sesqui; Dipotassium salt of carbonic acid sesquihydrate; Pearl ash sesquihydrate

**Recommended Use** Laboratory chemicals.

**Uses advised against** Food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use.

### Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

#### Company

Fisher Scientific Company  
One Reagent Lane  
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#### **Emergency Telephone Number**

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## 2. Hazard(s) identification

### Classification

This chemical is considered hazardous according to [US] OSHA (29 CFR 1910.1200, 2024)

Skin Corrosion/Irritation	Category 2
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 2
Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)	Category 3
Target Organs - Respiratory system.	

### Label Elements

#### **Signal Word**

Warning

#### **Hazard Statements**

Causes skin irritation

Causes serious eye irritation  
May cause respiratory irritation



### Precautionary Statements

#### Prevention

Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling  
Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection  
Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray  
Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area

#### Inhalation

IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing  
Call a POISON CENTER or doctor if you feel unwell

#### Skin

IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water  
If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention  
Take off contaminated clothing

#### Eyes

IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing  
If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention

#### Storage

Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed  
Store locked up

#### Disposal

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

#### Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)

None identified

#### Hazards classified under paragraph (d)(1)(ii) of 1910.1200

No information available

### 3. Composition/information on Ingredients

Component	CAS No	Weight %
Carbonic acid, dipotassium salt, sesquihydrate	6381-79-9	>95
Potassium carbonate	584-08-7	-

### 4. First-aid measures

#### General Advice

If symptoms persist, call a physician.

#### Eye Contact

Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.

#### Skin Contact

Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. If skin irritation persists, call a physician.

#### Inhalation

Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.

<b>Ingestion</b>	Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
<b>Most important symptoms and effects</b>	. Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation
<b>Notes to Physician</b>	Treat symptomatically

## 5. Fire-fighting measures

<b>Suitable Extinguishing Media</b>	Water spray. Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ). Dry chemical. Chemical foam.
<b>Unsuitable Extinguishing Media</b>	No information available
<b>Flash Point</b>	No information available
<b>Method -</b>	No information available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	No information available
<b>Explosion Limits</b>	
<b>Upper</b>	No data available
<b>Lower</b>	No data available
<b>Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact</b>	No information available
<b>Sensitivity to Static Discharge</b>	No information available

### Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Keep product and empty container away from heat and sources of ignition.

### Hazardous Combustion Products

Carbon monoxide (CO). Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>). Potassium oxides.

### Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear.

### NFPA

Health	Flammability	Instability	Physical hazards
2	0	1	N/A

## 6. Accidental release measures

<b>Personal Precautions</b>	Use personal protective equipment as required. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid dust formation.
<b>Environmental Precautions</b>	Should not be released into the environment.
<b>Methods for Containment and Clean Up</b>	Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

## 7. Handling and Storage

<b>Handling</b>	Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Ensure adequate ventilation. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Avoid ingestion and inhalation. Avoid dust formation.
<b>Storage.</b>	Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Corrosives area. Air sensitive. Incompatible Materials. Acids. Strong oxidizing agents.

## 8. Exposure controls / personal protection

<b>Exposure Guidelines</b>	This product does not contain any hazardous materials with occupational exposure limit established by the region specific regulatory bodies.
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**Engineering Measures** Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

#### Personal Protective Equipment

**Eye/face Protection** Wear appropriate protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles as described by OSHA's eye and face protection regulations in 29 CFR 1910.133 or European Standard EN166.

**Skin and body protection** Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.

**Respiratory Protection** Follow the OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard EN 149. Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced.

**Recommended Filter type:** Particulates filter conforming to EN 143.

**Hygiene Measures** Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

#### Appearance

**Physical State** Powder Solid  
**Color** White  
**Odor** Odorless  
**Odor Threshold** No information available

**Property** **Values**

**Melting Point/Range** 891 °C / 1635.8 °F  
**Softening Point** No data available  
**Boiling Point/Range** No information available  
**Flash Point** No information available  
**Flammability (liquid)** Not applicable  
**Flammability (solid,gas)** No information available  
**Explosion Limits** No data available

**Autoignition Temperature** No data available  
**Decomposition Temperature** No data available  
**pH** No information available  
**Viscosity** Not applicable  
**Water Solubility** Soluble  
**Solubility in other solvents** No information available  
**Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)**  
**Vapor Pressure** No data available  
**Density / Specific Gravity**  
**Bulk Density** No data available  
**Vapor Density** Not applicable  
**Particle characteristics** No data available

#### Remarks      • Method

**Method** - No information available  
Solid

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#### Other Information

**Molecular Formula** C K2 O3 . 1.5 H2 O  
**Molecular Weight** 165.24  
**Evaporation Rate** Not applicable - Solid

## 10. Stability and reactivity

**Reactive Hazard** None known, based on information available

<b>Stability</b>	Hygroscopic. Stable under normal conditions.
<b>Conditions to Avoid</b>	Incompatible products. Exposure to moist air or water.
<b>Incompatible Materials</b>	Acids, Strong oxidizing agents
<b>Hazardous Decomposition Products</b>	Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ), Potassium oxides
<b>Hazardous Polymerization</b>	No information available.
<b>Hazardous Reactions</b>	None under normal processing.

## 11. Toxicological information

### Information on expected route of exposure

<b>Inhalation</b>	Avoid breathing dust or spray mist. May be harmful if inhaled.
<b>Ingestion</b>	May be harmful if swallowed.
<b>Eyes</b>	Avoid contact with eyes. Irritating to eyes.
<b>Skin</b>	Avoid contact with skin. May cause irritation.

### Toxicology data for the components

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Potassium carbonate	> 2000 mg/kg ( Rat )	LD50 > 2000 mg/kg ( Rabbit )	LC50 > 4.96 mg/L ( Rat ) 4.5 h

**Toxicologically Synergistic Products** No information available

**(b) skin corrosion/irritation;** Category 2

**(c) serious eye damage/irritation;** Category 2

**(d) respiratory or skin sensitization;**  
**Respiratory** No data available  
**Skin** No data available

**(e) germ cell mutagenicity;** No data available

**(f) carcinogenicity;**

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

Component	CAS No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Carbonic acid, dipotassium salt, sesquihydrate	6381-79-9	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed
Potassium carbonate	584-08-7	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

**(g) reproductive toxicity;** No data available

**(h) STOT-single exposure;** Category 3

**Results / Target organs** Respiratory system.

<b>(i) STOT-repeated exposure;</b>	No data available
<b>Target Organs</b>	No information available.
<b>(j) aspiration hazard;</b>	Not applicable Solid
<b>Other Adverse Effects</b>	The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.
<b>Symptoms / effects,both acute and delayed</b>	Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation.
<b>Other Adverse Effects</b>	The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.
<b>Endocrine Disrupting Properties</b>	This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors.

## 12. Ecological information

### Ecotoxicity

Do not empty into drains.

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Potassium carbonate	Not listed	LC50 <510 mg/L/96h (Pimephales promelas)	Not listed	LC50: = 630 mg/L, 48h (Ceriodaphnia dubia)

**Persistence and Degradability** Soluble in water Persistence is unlikely based on information available.

**Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation** No information available.

**Mobility** Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its water solubility.

## 13. Disposal considerations

**Waste Disposal Methods** Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. Chemical waste generators must also consult local, regional, and national hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

## 14. Transport information

<b>DOT</b>	Not regulated
<b>TDG</b>	Not regulated
<b>IATA</b>	Not regulated
<b>IMDG/IMO</b>	Not regulated

## 15. Regulatory Information

### United States of America Inventory

Component	CAS No	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive	TSCA - EPA Regulatory Flags
Carbonic acid, dipotassium salt, sesquihydrate	6381-79-9	-	-	-
Potassium carbonate	584-08-7	X	ACTIVE	-

#### Legend:

**TSCA** US EPA (TSCA) - Toxic Substances Control Act, (40 CFR Part 710)

X - Listed

'-' - Not Listed

**TSCA - Per 40 CFR 751, Regulation of Certain Chemical Substances & Mixtures, Under TSCA Section 6(h) (PBT)** Not applicable

TSCA 12(b) - Notices of Export

Not applicable

**International Inventories**

Canada (DSL/NDSL), Europe (EINECS/ELINCS/NLP), Philippines (PICCS), Japan (ENCS), Japan (ISHL), Australia (AICS), China (IECSC), Korea (KECL).

Component	CAS No	DSL	NDSL	EINECS	PICCS	ENCS	ISHL	AICS	IECSC	KECL
Carbonic acid, dipotassium salt, sesquihydrate	6381-79-9	-	-	-	-	-		X	-	-
Potassium carbonate	584-08-7	X	-	209-529-3	X	X	X	X	X	KE-29083

KECL - NIER number or KE number (<http://ncis.nier.go.kr/en/main.do>)

**U.S. Federal Regulations****SARA 313**

Section 313 of Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA). This product does not contain any chemicals which are subject to the reporting requirements of the Act and Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 372

**SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories**

Should this product meet EPCRA 311/312 Tier reporting criteria at 40 CFR 370, refer to Section 2 of this SDS for appropriate classifications.

**CWA (Clean Water Act)** Not applicable

**Clean Air Act** Not applicable

**OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration** Not applicable

**CERCLA**

This material, as supplied, does not contain any substances regulated as hazardous substances under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) (40 CFR 302) or the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) (40 CFR 355). There may be specific reporting requirements at the local, regional, or state level pertaining to releases of this material.

**California Proposition 65** This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals.

**U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations** Not applicable

**U.S. Department of Transportation**

Reportable Quantity (RQ): N  
 DOT Marine Pollutant N  
 DOT Severe Marine Pollutant N

**U.S. Department of Homeland Security** This product does not contain any DHS chemicals.

**Other International Regulations**

**Mexico - Grade** No information available

**Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH** Not applicable

Component	CAS No	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XIV - Substances Subject to Authorization	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XVII - Restrictions on Certain Dangerous Substances	REACH Regulation (EC 1907/2006) article 59 - Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC)
Carbonic acid, dipotassium salt, sesquihydrate	6381-79-9	-	-	-
Potassium carbonate	584-08-7	-	-	-

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

Component	CAS No	OECD HPV	Persistent Organic Pollutant	Ozone Depletion Potential	Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS)
Carbonic acid, dipotassium salt, sesquihydrate	6381-79-9	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Potassium carbonate	584-08-7	Listed	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

#### Contains component(s) that meet a 'definition' of per & poly fluoroalkyl substance (PFAS)?

Not applicable

#### Other International Regulations

Component	CAS No	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Major Accident Notification	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Safety Report Requirements	Rotterdam Convention (PIC)	Basel Convention (Hazardous Waste)
Carbonic acid, dipotassium salt, sesquihydrate	6381-79-9	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Potassium carbonate	584-08-7	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

## 16. Other Information

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