

SAFETY DATA SHEET

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1. Identification

Product Name Potassium hydroxide, 1N solution in ethanol

Cat No. : AC393320000, AC393320010, AC393322500

Synonyms No information available

Recommended Use Laboratory chemicals.

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

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company

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2. Hazard(s) identification

Classification

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

Flammable liquids	Category 2
Corrosive to metals	Category 1
Skin Corrosion/Irritation	Category 1 A
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 1
Carcinogenicity	Category 1A
Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)	Category 3
Target Organs - Respiratory system, Central nervous system (CNS).	
Specific target organ toxicity - (repeated exposure)	Category 2
Target Organs - Liver, Kidney, Blood.	

Label Elements

Signal Word

Danger

Hazard Statements

Highly flammable liquid and vapor
May be corrosive to metals
Causes severe skin burns and eye damage
May cause respiratory irritation
May cause drowsiness or dizziness
May cause cancer
May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure

**Precautionary Statements****Prevention**

Obtain special instructions before use
Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood
Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray
Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling
Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area
Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking
Keep container tightly closed
Ground and bond container and receiving equipment
Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting equipment
Keep only in original packaging
Keep cool
Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection
Take action to prevent static discharges
Use non-sparking tools

Response

Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor

Inhalation

IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing

Skin

IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water or shower
Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse

Eyes

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

Ingestion

IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. DO NOT induce vomiting

Fire

In case of fire: Use CO₂, dry chemical, or foam to extinguish

Spills

Absorb spillage to prevent material damage

Storage

Store locked up
Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed
Store in corrosive resistant polypropylene container with a resistant inliner
Store in a dry place

Disposal

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)

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

No information available

WARNING. Cancer and Reproductive Harm - <https://www.p65warnings.ca.gov/>.

3. Composition/information on Ingredients

Component	CAS No	Weight %
Ethyl alcohol	64-17-5	93
Potassium hydroxide	1310-58-3	7

4. First-aid measures

General Advice	Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Immediate medical attention is required.
Eye Contact	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.
Skin Contact	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Remove and wash contaminated clothing and gloves, including the inside, before re-use. Call a physician immediately.
Inhalation	If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Remove from exposure, lie down. Do not use mouth-to-mouth method if victim ingested or inhaled the substance; give artificial respiration with the aid of a pocket mask equipped with a one-way valve or other proper respiratory medical device. Call a physician immediately.
Ingestion	Do NOT induce vomiting. Clean mouth with water. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Call a physician immediately.
Most important symptoms and effects	Causes burns by all exposure routes. Inhalation of high vapor concentrations may cause symptoms like headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting: Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated: Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation
Notes to Physician	Treat symptomatically

5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media	CO ₂ , dry chemical, dry sand, alcohol-resistant foam. Water mist may be used to cool closed containers.
Unsuitable Extinguishing Media	No information available
Flash Point	12 °C / 53.6 °F
Method -	No information available
Autoignition Temperature	370 °C / 698 °F
Explosion Limits	
Upper	No data available
Lower	No data available
Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact	No information available
Sensitivity to Static Discharge	No information available

Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors. The product causes burns of eyes, skin and mucous

membranes. Flammable. Containers may explode when heated. Vapors may form explosive mixtures with air. Vapors may travel to source of ignition and flash back.

Hazardous Combustion Products

Carbon monoxide (CO). Carbon dioxide (CO₂).

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. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

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Health	Flammability	Instability	Physical hazards
3	3	0	N/A

6. Accidental release measures

Personal Precautions

Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protective equipment as required. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Remove all sources of ignition. Take precautionary measures against static discharges.

Environmental Precautions

Should not be released into the environment. Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system.

Methods for Containment and Clean Up

Soak up with inert absorbent material. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal. Remove all sources of ignition. Use spark-proof tools and explosion-proof equipment.

7. Handling and Storage

Handling

Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Use only under a chemical fume hood. Do not breathe mist/vapors/spray. Do not ingest. If swallowed then seek immediate medical assistance. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition. Use only non-sparking tools. To avoid ignition of vapors by static electricity discharge, all metal parts of the equipment must be grounded. Take precautionary measures against static discharges.

Storage.

Flammables area. Corrosives area. Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep away from heat, sparks and flame. Incompatible Materials. Strong oxidizing agents.

8. Exposure controls / personal protection

Exposure Guidelines

Component	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH	Mexico OEL (TWA)
Ethyl alcohol	STEL: 1000 ppm	(Vacated) TWA: 1000 ppm (Vacated) TWA: 1900 mg/m ³ TWA: 1000 ppm TWA: 1900 mg/m ³	IDLH: 3300 ppm REL = 1000 ppm (TWA) REL = 1900 mg/m ³ (TWA)	STEL: 1000 ppm
Potassium hydroxide	Ceiling: 2 mg/m ³	(Vacated) Ceiling: 2 mg/m ³	Ceiling: 2 mg/m ³	Ceiling: 2 mg/m ³

Legend

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration

NIOSH: NIOSH - National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

Engineering Measures

Use only under a chemical fume hood. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location. Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting equipment. Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas.

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:	Organic gases and vapours filter. Type A. Brown. conforming to EN14387.
Hygiene Measures	Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

9. Physical and chemical properties

Appearance

Physical State Liquid

Color

Odor No information available

Odor Threshold No information available

Property

Melting Point/Range -117 °C / -178.6 °F

Softening Point No data available

Boiling Point/Range 78 °C / 172.4 °F

Flash Point 12 °C / 53.6 °F

Flammability (liquid) Highly flammable

Flammability (solid,gas) Not applicable

Explosion Limits **Lower** 2%

Upper 12%

Autoignition Temperature 370 °C / 698 °F

Decomposition Temperature No data available

pH No information available

Viscosity No data available

Water Solubility Soluble

Solubility in other solvents No information available

Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)

Component **log Pow**

Ethyl alcohol -0.32

Potassium hydroxide 0.83

Vapor Pressure No data available

Density / Specific Gravity 0.86

Bulk Density Not applicable

Vapor Density No data available

Particle characteristics Not applicable (liquid)

Remarks

Method

@ 760 mmHg

Method - No information available

On basis of test data

Liquid

Liquid
(Air = 1.0)

Other Information

Explosive Properties Vapors may form explosive mixtures with air

10. Stability and reactivity

Reactive Hazard None known, based on information available

Stability Stable under normal conditions.

Conditions to Avoid Incompatible products. Excess heat. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition.

Incompatible Materials	Strong oxidizing agents
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO ₂)
Hazardous Polymerization	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
Hazardous Reactions	None under normal processing.

11. Toxicological information

Information on expected route of exposure

Inhalation	Causes severe burns. May be harmful if inhaled.
Ingestion	Causes severe burns. May be harmful if swallowed. Ingestion may cause gastrointestinal irritation, nausea, vomiting and diarrhea.
Eyes	Causes severe burns.
Skin	Causes severe burns. May be harmful in contact with skin.

Toxicology data for the components

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Ethyl alcohol	LD50 = 10470 mg/kg OECD 401 (Rat) 3450 mg/kg (Mouse)	-	LC50 = 117-125 mg/l (4h) OECD 403 (rat) 20000 ppm/10H (rat)
Potassium hydroxide	LD50 = 333-384 mg/kg (Rat)	-	-

Toxicologically Synergistic Products No information available

(b) skin corrosion/irritation; Category 1 A

(c) serious eye damage/irritation; Category 1

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

Component	Test method	Test species	Study result
Ethyl alcohol 64-17-5 (93)	Mouse Ear Swelling Test (MEST)	mouse	non-sensitising
	OECD Test Guideline 429 Local Lymph Node Assay	mouse	non-sensitising

(e) germ cell mutagenicity; No data available

Component	Test method	Test species	Study result
Ethyl alcohol 64-17-5 (93)	AMES test OECD Test Guideline 471	in vitro Bacteria	negative
	Gene cell mutation OECD Test Guideline 476	in vitro Mammalian	negative

(f) carcinogenicity;

Ethanol has been shown to be carcinogenic in long-term studies only when consumed and abused as an alcoholic beverage. The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen

Component	CAS No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico

Ethyl alcohol	64-17-5	Not listed	Known	A3	Not listed	A3
Potassium hydroxide	1310-58-3	Not listed				

IARC (International Agency for Research on Cancer)

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Group 1 - Carcinogenic to Humans

Group 2A - Probably Carcinogenic to Humans

Group 2B - Possibly Carcinogenic to Humans

NTP: (National Toxicity Program)

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Known - Known Carcinogen

Reasonably Anticipated - Reasonably Anticipated to be a Human Carcinogen

ACGIH: (American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists)

A1 - Known Human Carcinogen

A2 - Suspected Human Carcinogen

A3 - Animal Carcinogen

ACGIH: (American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists)

(g) reproductive toxicity; No data available

Component	Test method	Test species / Duration	Study result
Ethyl alcohol 64-17-5 (93)	OECD Test Guideline 416	Oral / mouse 2 Generation	NOAEL = 13.8 g/kg/day
	OECD Test Guideline 414	Inhalation / Rat	NOAEC = 16000 ppm

**Developmental Effects
Teratogenicity**

Substances known to cause developmental toxicity in humans. Teratogenic effects have occurred in humans.

(h) STOT-single exposure; No data available

(i) STOT-repeated exposure; No data available

Target Organs

No information available.

(j) aspiration hazard; No data available

Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed

Inhalation of high vapor concentrations may cause symptoms like headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting. Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated. Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation.

Other Adverse Effects

The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.

Endocrine Disrupting Properties

This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors.

12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity

Do not empty into drains. Contains a substance which is: Toxic to aquatic organisms. The product contains following substances which are hazardous for the environment.

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Ethyl alcohol	EC50 (72h) = 275 mg/l (Chlorella vulgaris)	Fathead minnow (Pimephales promelas) LC50 = 14200 mg/l/96h	Photobacterium phosphoreum: EC50 = 34634 mg/L/30 min Photobacterium phosphoreum: EC50 = 35470 mg/L/5 min	EC50 = 9268 mg/L/48h EC50 = 10800 mg/L/24h
Potassium hydroxide	Not listed	LC50 = 50-165 mg/L (96h)	Not listed	Not listed

Persistence and Degradability Persistence is unlikely based on information available.

Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation No information available.

Mobility Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its volatility.

Component	log Pow
Ethyl alcohol	-0.32
Potassium hydroxide	0.83

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

DOT

UN-No UN2924
Proper Shipping Name Flammable liquid, corrosive, n.o.s.
Technical Shipping Name (Ethyl alcohol, Potassium hydroxide)
Hazard Class 3
Packing Group II

TDG

UN-No UN2924
Proper Shipping Name Flammable liquid, corrosive, n.o.s.
Technical Shipping Name (Ethyl alcohol, Potassium hydroxide)
Hazard Class 3
Packing Group II

IATA

UN-No UN2924
Proper Shipping Name Flammable liquid, corrosive, n.o.s.
Technical Shipping Name (Ethyl alcohol, Potassium hydroxide)
Hazard Class 3
Subsidiary Hazard Class 8
Packing Group II

IMDG/IMO

UN-No UN2924
Proper Shipping Name Flammable liquid, corrosive, n.o.s.
Technical Shipping Name (Ethyl alcohol, Potassium hydroxide)
Hazard Class 3
Subsidiary Hazard Class 8
Packing Group II

15. Regulatory Information

United States of America Inventory

Component	CAS No	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive	TSCA - EPA Regulatory Flags
Ethyl alcohol	64-17-5	X	ACTIVE	-
Potassium hydroxide	1310-58-3	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/NDL), Europe (EINECS/ELINCS/NLP), Philippines (PICCS), Japan (ENCS), Japan (ISHL), Australia (AICS), China (IECSC), Korea (KECL).

Component	CAS No	DSL	NDL	EINECS	PICCS	ENCS	ISHL	AICS	IECSC	KECL
Ethyl alcohol	64-17-5	X	-	200-578-6	X	X	X	X	X	KE-13217
Potassium hydroxide	1310-58-3	X	-	215-181-3	X	X	X	X	X	KE-29139

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)

Component	CWA - Hazardous Substances	CWA - Reportable Quantities	CWA - Toxic Pollutants	CWA - Priority Pollutants
Potassium hydroxide	X	1000 lb	-	-

Clean Air Act Not applicable

OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration Not applicable

CERCLA

This material, as supplied, contains one or more substances regulated as a hazardous substance under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) (40 CFR 302) or the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) (40 CFR 355).

Component	Hazardous Substances RQs	CERCLA Extremely Hazardous Substances RQs	SARA Reportable Quantity (RQ)
Potassium hydroxide	1000 lb	-	1000 lb 454 kg

California Proposition 65

Ethyl alcohol is only considered a Proposition 65 developmental hazard when it is ingested as an alcoholic beverage. This product contains the following Proposition 65 chemicals.

Component	CAS No	California Prop. 65	Prop 65 NSRL	Category
Ethyl alcohol	64-17-5	Development (alcoholic beverages only) Carcinogen	-	Developmental Carcinogen

U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations

Component	Massachusetts	New Jersey	Pennsylvania	Illinois	Rhode Island
Ethyl alcohol	X	X	X	X	X
Potassium hydroxide	X	X	X	-	X

U.S. Department of Transportation

Reportable Quantity (RQ): Y
 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 Serious risk, Grade 3

Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH

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)
Ethyl alcohol	64-17-5	-	-	-
Potassium hydroxide	1310-58-3	-	Use restricted. See entry 75. (see link for restriction details)	-

REACH links

<https://echa.europa.eu/substances-restricted-under-reach>

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)
Ethyl alcohol	64-17-5	Listed	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Potassium hydroxide	1310-58-3	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)
Ethyl alcohol	64-17-5	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Annex I - Y42
Potassium hydroxide	1310-58-3	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Annex I - Y35

16. Other Information

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End of SDS