

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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## 1. Identification

**Product Name** Potassium Carbonate Anhydrous (Certified ACS)

**Cat No. :** P208-3; P208-250LB; P208-500

**CAS No** 584-08-7  
**Synonyms** Potash; Pearl ash; Dipotassium salt of carbonic acid

**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  
Fair Lawn, NJ 07410  
Tel: (201) 796-7100

#### **Emergency Telephone Number**

CHEMTREC®, Inside the USA: 800-424-9300  
CHEMTREC®, Outside the USA: 001-703-527-3887

## 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 %
Potassium carbonate	584-08-7	>95

## 4. First-aid measures

<b>Eye Contact</b>	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Remove to fresh air. If symptoms arise, call a physician. If not breathing, give artificial respiration.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Do NOT induce vomiting. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
<b>Most important symptoms and effects</b>	No information available.

**Notes to Physician** Treat symptomatically

## 5. Fire-fighting measures

**Suitable Extinguishing Media** Substance is nonflammable; use agent most appropriate to extinguish surrounding fire.

**Unsuitable Extinguishing Media** No information available

**Flash Point** No information available  
**Method -** No information available

**Autoignition Temperature** No information available

**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**

Non-combustible, substance itself does not burn but may decompose upon heating to produce corrosive and/or toxic fumes.

**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

**Personal Precautions** Use personal protective equipment as required. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid dust formation. Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing.

**Environmental Precautions** Avoid release to the environment. See Section 12 for additional Ecological Information.

**Methods for Containment and Clean Up** Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Avoid dust formation.

## 7. Handling and Storage

**Handling** Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid dust formation. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Do not breathe dust. Do not ingest. If swallowed then seek immediate medical assistance.

**Storage.** Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Incompatible Materials. Acids. Strong oxidizing agents. Halogens.

## 8. Exposure controls / personal protection

**Exposure Guidelines** This product does not contain any hazardous materials with occupational exposure limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies.

**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**

<b>Eye/face Protection</b>	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.
<b>Skin and body protection</b>	Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.
<b>Respiratory Protection</b>	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.
<b>Recommended Filter type:</b>	Particulates filter conforming to EN 143.
<b>Hygiene Measures</b>	Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

<b>Appearance</b>			
<b>Physical State</b>	Powder Solid		
<b>Color</b>	White		
<b>Odor</b>	Odorless		
<b>Odor Threshold</b>	No information available		
<b>Property</b>	<b>Values</b>	<b>Remarks</b>	<b>• Method</b>
<b>Melting Point/Range</b>	891 °C / 1635.8 °F		
<b>Softening Point</b>	No data available		
<b>Boiling Point/Range</b>	No information available		
<b>Flash Point</b>	No information available		
<b>Flammability (liquid)</b>	Not applicable		
<b>Flammability (solid,gas)</b>	No information available		
<b>Explosion Limits</b>	No data available		
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	No data available		
<b>Decomposition Temperature</b>	No data available		
<b>pH</b>	11.5-12	50 g/l aq.sol	
<b>Viscosity</b>	Not applicable	Solid	
<b>Water Solubility</b>	1120 g/L (20°C)		
<b>Solubility in other solvents</b>	No information available		
<b>Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)</b>			
<b>Vapor Pressure</b>	No information available		
<b>Density / Specific Gravity</b>			
<b>Bulk Density</b>	No data available		
<b>Vapor Density</b>	Not applicable	Solid	
<b>Particle characteristics</b>	No data available		
<b>Other Information</b>			
<b>Molecular Formula</b>	C K2 O3		
<b>Molecular Weight</b>	138.21		
<b>Evaporation Rate</b>	Not applicable - Solid		

## 10. Stability and reactivity

<b>Reactive Hazard</b>	None known, based on information available
<b>Stability</b>	Stable under recommended storage conditions. Hygroscopic.
<b>Conditions to Avoid</b>	Avoid dust formation. Incompatible products. Exposure to moisture.

<b>Incompatible Materials</b>	Acids, Strong oxidizing agents, Halogens
<b>Hazardous Decomposition Products</b>	Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ), Potassium oxides
<b>Hazardous Polymerization</b>	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
<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** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met  
**Skin** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

**(e) germ cell mutagenicity;** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met  
 Not mutagenic in AMES Test

**(f) carcinogenicity;** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met  
 The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen

Component	CAS No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Potassium carbonate	584-08-7	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

**(g) reproductive toxicity;** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

**(h) STOT-single exposure;** Category 3  
**Results / Target organs** Respiratory system.

**(i) STOT-repeated exposure;** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met  
**Target Organs** None known.

**(j) aspiration hazard;** Not applicable

Solid

**Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed** No information available.

**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. .

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

**DOT** Not regulated  
**TDG** Not regulated  
**IATA** Not regulated  
**IMDG/IMO** Not regulated

## 15. Regulatory Information

### United States of America Inventory

Component	CAS No	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive	TSCA - EPA Regulatory Flags
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
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)
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

Potassium carbonate	584-08-7	Listed	Not applicable	Not applicable	<b>Substances (RoHS)</b> Not applicable
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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)
Potassium carbonate	584-08-7	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

## 16. Other Information

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