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Safety Data Sheet

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1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product name:	Potassium Hydroxide Solution	Telephone:	1-800-338-6835 or 202-370-1500
Product Number:		Fax:	202-370-1501
Brand:	Edvotek	Emergency Phone #:	202-370-1500
Supplier:	Edvotek 1121 5 th Street NW Washington, DC 20001		

2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Emergency Overview

OSHA Hazards

Harmful by ingestion, Irritant

GHS Classification

Corrosive to metals 1
 Skin corrosion 1A
 Serious eye damage 1
 Acute aquatic toxicity 3

Signal Word

Danger

Pictogram



Hazard(s) Statements Hazard statement(s)

H290 May be corrosive to metals.
H302 Harmful if swallowed.
H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
H402 Harmful to aquatic life.

Precautionary statement(s)

P264 Wash skin thoroughly after handling.

P270 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.

P273 Avoid release to the environment.

P280 Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.

P301 + P312 IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician if you feel unwell.

P303 + P361 + P353 IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/ Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ shower.

P304 + P340 IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.

P305 + P351 + P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several

HMIS Classification:

Health hazard: 2

Flammability: 0

Physical hazard: 0

NFPA Rating:

Health hazard: 2

Fire: 0

Reactivity Hazard: 0

Potential Health Effects:

Inhalation May be harmful if inhaled.

Causes respiratory tract irritation

Skin Harmful if absorbed through skin.

Causes skin irritation.

Eyes Causes eye irritation.

Ingestion Harmful if swallowed.

4. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Formula: HKO

Molecular Weight: 56.11 g/mol

Chemical name	EC No.	CAS –No	Concentration
Potassium Hydroxide Solution	215-181-3	1310-58-3	15%

5. FIRST AID MEASURES

General information

No special measures required.

If inhaled

If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Consult doctor in case of complaints.

In case of skin contact

Immediately wash off with soap and plenty of water. Get medical attention if symptoms develop.

In case of eye contact

Flush eyes with water as a precaution. Get medical attention immediately if irritation persists.

If swallowed

Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. Get medical attention if symptoms develop.

6. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

Conditions of flammability

Not flammable or combustible.

Suitable extinguishing media

Use water spray, alcohol resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.

Special protective equipment for firefighters

Wear self contained breathing apparatus for fire fighting if necessary.

Hazardous combustion products

Gives off hydrogen by reaction with metals.

7. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions

Prevent skin/eye contact. Use personal protective equipment as needed.

Environmental precautions

Dilute with plenty of water. Do not allow to enter sewers/ surface or ground water.

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Clean up spills immediately. Use absorbent materials if needed and dispose into a chemical waste container.

8. HANDLING AND STORAGE**Precautions for safe handling**

No special measures necessary. Good laboratory technique should be used when handling.

Conditions for safe storage

No special measures necessary. Store at room temperature.

Incompatible Products

No known products

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/ PERSONAL PROTECTION**Personal protective equipment****Respiratory protection**

Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

Hand protection

Wear protective gloves. Dispose of contaminated gloves after use in accordance with applicable laws and good laboratory practices.

Eye protection

Avoid eye contact with this material. Wear chemical safety goggles.

Skin and body protection

Use chemical gloves as needed. Use clean protective body covering clothing as needed to minimize contact with clothing and skin.

Hygiene measures

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash and dry hands at the end of workday.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance

Form liquid
 Colour colorless
 Odor no data available

Safety data

pH	no data available
Melting point/freezing point	no data available
Boiling point	no data available
Flash point	no data available
Ignition temperature	no data available
Autoignition Temperature	no data available
Lower explosion limit	no data available
Upper explosion limit	no data available
Vapour pressure	no data available
Density (water=1)	no data available
Water solubility	no data available
Partition coefficient:	
n-octanol/water	no data available
Relative vapour Density	no data available
Odour Threshold	no data available
Evaporation rate	no data available

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

Possibility of hazardous reactions

No further relevant data available.

Conditions to avoid

Do not heat above melting point.

Materials to avoid

No further relevant data available.

Hazardous decomposition products

No data available

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**Acute toxicity LD/LC50 values**

no data available

Serious eye damage/eye irritation

no data available

Respiratory or skin sensitization

no data available

Germ cell mutagenicity

no data available

Skin corrosion/irritation

no data available

Carcinogenicity

No components of this product are listed by IARC, ACGIH, NTP and OSHA.

Reproductive toxicity

no data available

Teratogenicity

no data available

Aspiration hazard

no data available

Synergistic effects

no data available

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Toxicity

no data available

Mobility in soil

no data available

Persistence and degradability

no data available

PBT and vPvB assessment

no data available

Bioaccumulative potential

no data available

Other adverse effects

no data available

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Product

Dispose of unused product, residues, and containers according to local, regional, state, and national regulations.

Contaminated packaging

Dispose of as unused product.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

DOT (US)

Not dangerous goods

IMDG

Not dangerous goods

IATA

Not dangerous goods

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

OSHA Hazards

Harmful by ingestion, Irritant.

SARA 302 Components

SARA 302: No chemicals in this material are subject to the reporting requirements of SARA Title III, Section 302.

SARA 313 Components

SARA 313: This material does not contain any chemical components with known CAS numbers that exceed the reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313.

SARA 311/312 Hazards

No SARA Hazards.

16. OTHER INFORMATION

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