

# **SAFETY DATA SHEET**

# **POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE**

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according to 1907/2006/EC, Article 31

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# SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

1.1 Product identifier

Product Name: Potassium Hydroxide

Product Number: 41585, 366030, 41570, 428099, 445210, 3xp, EDE

Synonyms, Trade Names Caustic Potash
Reach Registration Number 01-2119487136-33

CAS-No. 1310-58-3 EU Index No. 019-002-00-8 EC No. 215-181-3

1.2 Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Identified uses A material for use in the surface finishing and printed circuit board industries

1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Supplier: Aquaflame Systems

Unit 5, Boulton Industrial Estate, Birmingham B18 5AU

Tel: +44(0) 121-233-1088

Contact Person David Hubble - david@aquaflamesystems.com

1.4 Emergency telephone number:

42 Hour Emergency incident Number +44(0)1235 239 670 - NCEC (National Chemical Emergency Centre)

**SECTION 2: Hazards identification** 

### 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

Classification (EC 1272/2008) Met. Corr. 1 - H290

Physical and Chemical Hazards Acute Tox. 4 - H302, Skin corr. 1A -

Human Health H314 - Not Classified

Classification (EC 67/548/EEC)

Environment C;R35 Xn;R22

The full text for all R-Phrases and Hazard Statements are Displayed in Section 16.

2.2 Label Elements

EC No. 215-181-3 Label in accordance with (EC) No. 1272/2008

Signal word Danger

Hazard Statement H290 May be corrosive to metals.

H302 Harmful if swallowed

H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage

Precautionary Statements P260 Do not breath dust

P280 Wear protective gloves/protectiveclothing/eye

/face protection

P301+330+331 If swallowed: Rinse mouth. Do not induce vomit.





P303+361+353 If on skin (or hair): Remove/Take off immediately all

contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.

P304+340 If Inhaled: Remove victim to frest air and keep in a

position comfortable for breathing.

P305+351+338 If in eyes: Rinse cautiously with water for several

minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy

to do. Continue rinsing.

P310 Immediately call a POISON CENTRE or doctor/

physician.

Supplementary Precautionary Statements

P501a Dispose of contents in accordance with local, regional,

national and/or international regulations.

# 2.3 Other Hazards

Not classified as PBT/vPvB by current EU criteria.

### **SECTION 3 COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

3.1 Substances

Product name Potassium Hydroxide REACH Registration Number 01-2119487136-33

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#### **SECTION 4 FIRST AID MEASURES**

# 4.1 Description of first aid measures

**General Information** - Remove affected person from source of contamination. Chemical burns must be treated by a physician.

**Inhalation** - Move the exposed person to fresh air at once. Rinse nose and mouth with water. When breathing is difficult, properly trained personnel may assist affected person by administering oxygen. If breathing stops, provide artificial resperation. Get medical attention immediately!

**Skin Contact** - Removed affected person from source of contamination. Remove contaminated clothes and rinse skin thoroughily with water. Continue to rinse for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention immediately!

**Eye contact** - Promply wash eyes with plenty of water while lifting the eye lids. Make sure to remove any contact lenses from the eye before rinsing. Continue to rinse for at least 15 minutes and get medical attention. Go to hospital or eye specialist.

# 4.2 General important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

# General information

See section 11 for additional information on health hazards.

**Inhalation** - Irritation of nose, throat and airway. May cause damage to mucous membranes in nose, throat, lungs and bronchial system.



Ingestion - May cause chemical burns in mouth and throat. May cause severe internal injury.

Skin Contact - Burning pain and severe corrosive skin damage. Blistering may occur.

Eye Contact - Extreme irritation of eyes and mucous membraines, including burning and tearing. Causes severe burns.

4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed No Specific first aid measures noted.

### **SECTION 5: FIREFIGHTING MEASURES**

- 5.1 Extinguishing Media The product is not combustible. Reacts violently with water.
- 5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Unusual Fire & Explosion Hazards - The product reacts with a number of metals forming hydrogen gas, which may explosive vapour/air mixtures.

Specific Hazards - High temperatures generate: Oxides of: Potassium.

### 5.3 Advice for WZcVWZXYeVcd

Special fire Fighting Procedures - Avoid breathing in va[ours. Keep run off water out of sewers and water courses. Dike for water control. If risk of water pollution occurs, notify appropriate authorities.

Protective equipment for fire WZcVWZXYeVcd - Self contained breathing apparatus and full protective clothing must be worn in case of fire.

### **SECTION 6: ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

- 6.1 Personal precausions, protective equipment and emergency procedures Wear protective clothing as described in Section 8 of this safety data sheet. Avoid inhalation of dust and contact with skin and eyes. In case of inadequate ventilation, use respiratory protection. Eye contact MUST be prevented by means of suitable personal protection equipment.
- 6.2 Environment precautions Do not allow to enter drains, sewers or watercourses. Avoid release to the environment.
- 6.3 Methods and material for containment and cleaning up Wear necessary protective equipment. Avoid generation and spreading of dust. Collect powder using special dust vacuum cleaner with particle filter or carefully sweep in to closed container. Collect spillage in containers, seal securely and deliver for disposal according to local regulations. Do not contaminate water sources or sewer. Inform Authorities if large amounts are involved.
- 6.4 Reference to other sections Wear protective clothing as described in Section 8 of this safety data sheet. Collect and dispose of spillage as indicated in Section 13.



### **SECTION 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE MEASURES**

7.1 Precatiions for safe handling - Do not handle broken packages without protective equipment. Avoid inhalation of dust. Do not add water directly to the product. It may cause a violent reaction. Avoid eating, drinking and smoking when using the product. Observe good chemical practises.

7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities - Store in tightly closed original container in a dry, cool and well ventilated place. Keep seperate from foo, feedstuffs, fertilisers and other sensitive material. Avoid Moisture. The substance is hygroscopic and will absorb water by contact with the moisture in the air.

Storage class - Corrosive storage.

7.3 Specific end use(s) - The identified uses for this product are detailed in Section 1.2.

Min. Storage Temp (°C) /
Max. Storage Temp (°C) 40

# **SECTION 8: EXPOSURE CONTROL/PERSONAL PROTECTION**

# 8.1 Control parameters

Name	STD	TWA' 8 Hrs	STEL' 15 Min	Notes
Potassium Hydroxide	N=D		2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	

Wel + Workplace Exposure Limit.

**DNEL** 

Inhalation. Long Term Local Effects + mg/m<sup>3</sup>







# 8.2 Exposure controls - protective equipment

Engineering measures - Provide Adequate ventilation. Observe occupational exposure limits and minimise the risk of inhalation of dust. All handling to take place in well ventilated area.

Respiratory equipment - Respiratory protection must be used if air contamination exceeds acceptable level. Seek advice from supervisor on the companies' respiratory protection standards.

Hand protection - Protective gloves must be used if there is a risk of direct contact or splash. Use protective gloves made of: Butyl rubber or Polyvinyl chloride (PVC). Seek advice from local supervisor. Eye protection - Wear full face visor or shield.

Other protection - Provide eyewash station and safety shower. Wear appropriate clothing to prevent any possibility of skin contact.

Hygiene measures - Wash hands at the end of each work shift and before eating, smoking and using the toilet. Wash promptly if skin becomes contaminated. Promptly remove non impervious clothing that becomes contaminated. Contaminated clothing to be placed in closed container until disposal or decontamination. Warn cleaning personnel of chemical's hazardous properties. Eating, smoking and water fountains prohibited in immediate work area.



#### **SECTION 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

# 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance Crystalline powder. Pellets or Flakes.

Colour NYZeV(
Odour Odourless

Solubility Soluble in water

Initial boiling point and boiling range  $\sim 1320$  Melting point ( $^{0}$  C) 360

Vapour density (air=1) Not available Vapour pressure Not available **Evaporation rate** Not available a@Value, Diluted Solution >13.0 @ 0.5% Not available Viscosity Decomposition temperature (°C) Not available Odour Threashold, Lower Not available Odour Threashold, Upper Not available Flash point Not available Auto Ignition Temperature (°C) Not available Flammability Limit 'Lower (%) Not available Flammability Limit' Upper (%) Not available Partition Coefficient (N'Octanol/Water) Not available **Explosive properties** Not available Oxidising properties Not available

9.2 Other information

Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) 0%

### **SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

- 10.1. Reactivity Exothermic reaction with: strong acids. Water.
- 10.2. Chemical stability Stable under normal temperature conditions and recommended use.
- 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions The product reacts with a number of metals forming hydrogen gas, which may form explosive vapour/air mixtures. Reacts violently with strong acids. Do not add water to the product. It may cause a violent reaction.
- 10.4 Conditions to avoid There are no known conditions that are likely to result in a hazardous situation.
- 10.5 Incompatible materials Materials to avoid: Strong acids. Aluminium. Copper. Zinc. Lead. Tin. Chlorinated hydrocarbons.
- 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products None under normal conditions.



### **SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

11.1. Information on toxicological effects

Toxic dose 1 ' LD 50 330 ' 388 mg/kg (oral rat) Toxic dose 2 ' LD 50 365 mg/kg (oral rat)

Acute toxicity: REACH dossier information Harmful if swallowed.

Skin Corrosion/irritation: Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

Serious eye damage/irritation: Skin corrosive; corrosivity to eyes is assumed. No testing is needed.

Respiratory or skin sensitisation: Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

Germ cell mutagenicity: Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

Carcinogenicity: Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

Specific target organ toxicity 'single exposure: Not classified as a specific target organ toxicant after a single exposurV(

Specific target organ toxicity 'repeated exposure: Not classified as a specific target organ toxicant after repeated exposure.

Aspiration hazard: Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

Inhalation: Dust is severely irritating to the upper respiratory system. May cause damage to the mucous membranes in nose, throat, lungs and bronchial system. Pneumonitis (inflamation of the lung tissue).

Ingestion: Causes severe burns. Harmful if swallowed. May cause chemical burns in mouth, oesophagus and stomach. May cause severe internal injury. Nausea, vomiting. Diarrhoea. Hypotension (low blood pressure). Vomiting of blood.

Skin contact: Causes severe burns. May cause serious chmical burns to the skin.

Eye contact: Causes severe burns. Contact with concentrated chemical may very rapidly cause severe eye damage damage, possibly loss of sight.

Target Organs: Eyes Skin Muscous membranes specific effects: Frequent inhalation of dust over long a long period of time increases the risk of developing lung diseases.

### **SECTION 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

### **Ecotoxicity**

The product components are not classified as environmentally hazardous. However, this does not exclude the possibility that large or frequent spills can have a harmful or damaging effect on the environment. The product may effect the acidity (PH' factor) in water with risk of harmful effects to aquatic organisms.

- 12.1. Toxicity LC 50, 96 Hrs, Fish mg/l
- 12.2. Persistence and degradability Biodegradation Not applicable 'Inorganic chemical.
- 12.3. Bioaccumulative potential Bioaccumulative potential Will not bio' accumulate. Partition coefficient Not avialable.
- 12.4. Mobility in soil Mobility: Not avialable.
- 12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment not classified as PBT/vPvB by current EU criteria.
- 12.6 Other adverse effects Not determined.



# **SECTION 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

### General Information

Waste is classified as hazardous waste. Disposal to licensed waste disposal site in accordance with the local Waste Disposal Authority. When handling waste, consideration should be made to the safety precautions applying to handling of hazardous waste.

#### 13.1 Waste Treatment Methods

Environmental manager must be informed of all major apillages. Disposal of waste and residues in accordance with local authority requirements. Do not allow runoff to sewer, waterway or ground.

### **SECTION 14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

14.1 UN number

14.2 UN proper shipping name

Proper shipping name POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE, SOLID

14.3 Transport hazard class(es) ADR/RID/ADN Class 2

ADR/RID/ADN Class Class 8: Corossive substances.

IMDGClass 2 ICAO Class/Division 2

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14.4 Packing Group

Transport labels

ADR/RID/ADN Packing Group AA
IMDG Packing Group AA
ICAO Packing Group AA

# 14.5 Environmental Hazards

Environmentally Hazardous Substance/Marine Polutant

No.

14.6 Special Precautions for user

+EJ >'A, S':

Hazard No (ADR) 80 Corrosive or slightly corrosive substance

Tunnel Restriction Code (E)

14.7 Transport in bulk according to Annax II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code Not applicable.



### **SECTION 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION**

15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture Statutory Instruments

The Chemicals (Hazard Information and Packaging for Supply) Regulations 2009 (S.I. 2009 No. 716). The Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regaulations 2002 (S.I. 2002 No. 2677) with amendments. Guidance notes

Workplace exposure limits EH40.

# **EU** Legislation

Dangerous Substance Directive 67/548/EEC. Dangerous Preparations Directive 1999/45/EC. Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and REstriction of Chemicals (REACH). Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008 on classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures (CLP), amending and repealing Directives67/548/EEC and 1999/45/EC, and amending regulation (EC No. 1907/2006. Regulation (EC) No. 790/2009 amending, for the purpose of its adaption to technical and scientific progress, Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 of the European Pariament and the Council on Classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures (CLP). Comission Regulation (EU) No 453/2010 ameding Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Pariament and of the Council on the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH). WGK1

# 15.2 Chemical Safety Assessment

A chemical safety assessment has been carried out.

#### **SECTION 16: OTHER INFORMATION**

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Risk Phrases in Full

i-/ Causes severe burns I,, Harmful if swallowed

Hazard Statements in Full

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@- + Causes severe skin burns and eye damage

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