

Safety Data Sheet
 acc. to OSHA HCS

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1 Identification

- **Product identifier**
- **Trade name:** Potassium Hydroxide solution 50%
- **Article number:** 142403
- **Application of the substance / the mixture** Laboratory chemical
- **Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**
- **Manufacturer/Supplier:**
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2 Hazard(s) identification

- **Classification of the substance or mixture**
 Acute Tox. 4 H302 Harmful if swallowed.
 Skin Corr. 1A H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
 Eye Dam. 1 H318 Causes serious eye damage.
- **Label elements**
- **GHS label elements**
 The product is classified and labeled according to the Globally Harmonized System (GHS).
- **Hazard pictograms**



GHS05 GHS07

- **Signal word** Danger
- **Hazard-determining components of labeling:**
 Potassium Hydroxide
- **Hazard statements**
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 H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
- **Precautionary statements**
 P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.
 P305+P351+P338 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 center/doctor.
- **Classification system:**
- **NFPA ratings (scale 0 - 4)**



Health = 3
 Fire = 0
 Reactivity = 0

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• **HMIS-ratings (scale 0 - 4)**

HEALTH	3	Health = 3
FIRE	0	Fire = 0
REACTIVITY	0	Reactivity = 0

- **Other hazards**
- **Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**
- **PBT:** Not applicable.
- **vPvB:** Not applicable.

3 Composition/information on ingredients

- **Chemical characterization: Mixtures**
- **Description:** Mixture of the substances listed below with nonhazardous additions.

• **Dangerous components:**

1310-58-3	Potassium Hydroxide	≥5-<100%
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4 First-aid measures

- **Description of first aid measures**
- **General information:**
Symptoms of poisoning may even occur after several hours; therefore medical observation for at least 48 hours after the accident.
Involve doctor immediately.
- **After inhalation:**
Supply fresh air or oxygen; call for doctor.
In case of unconsciousness place patient stably in side position for transportation.
- **After skin contact:**
Call a doctor immediately.
Wash with polyethylene glycol 400 and then rinse with copious amounts of water.
- **After eye contact:** Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. Then consult a doctor.
- **After swallowing:**
make victim drink water (maximum of 2 drinking glasses)
Call a doctor immediately.
- **Information for doctor:**
- **Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed**
No further relevant information available.
- **Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**
No further relevant information available.

5 Fire-fighting measures

- **Extinguishing media**
- **Suitable extinguishing agents:** Use fire fighting measures that suit the environment.
- **Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture** Non-combustible.
- **Advice for firefighters**
- **Protective equipment:** Wear self-contained respiratory protective device.
- **Additional information**
Dispose of fire debris and contaminated fire fighting water in accordance with official regulations.
Contain escaping vapours with water.

6 Accidental release measures

- **Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**
Wear protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.

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- Avoid substance contact.
- **Environmental precautions:** Do not allow to enter sewers/ surface or ground water.
- **Methods and material for containment and cleaning up:**
Absorb with liquid-binding material (sand, diatomite, acid binders, universal binders, sawdust).
Use neutralizing agent.
Dispose contaminated material as waste according to item 13.
Ensure adequate ventilation.
Clean up affected area.
- **Reference to other sections**
See Section 7 for information on safe handling.
See Section 8 for information on personal protection equipment.
See Section 13 for disposal information.
- **Protective Action Criteria for Chemicals**

• **PAC-1:**

1310-58-3	Potassium Hydroxide	0.18 mg/m ³
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• **PAC-2:**

1310-58-3	Potassium Hydroxide	2 mg/m ³
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• **PAC-3:**

1310-58-3	Potassium Hydroxide	54 mg/m ³
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7 Handling and storage

- **Handling:**
- **Precautions for safe handling**
Ensure good ventilation/exhaustion at the workplace.
Prevent formation of aerosols.
- **Information about protection against explosions and fires:** The product is not flammable.
- **Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**
- **Storage:**
- **Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles:** No special requirements.
- **Information about storage in one common storage facility:** Not required.
- **Further information about storage conditions:**
Keep receptacle tightly sealed.
Open receptacle only under localized extractor facilities.
Store under lock and key and with access restricted to technical experts or their assistants only.
- **Recommended storage temperature:** Room Temperature
- **Storage class:** 8 B
- **Specific end use(s)** No further relevant information available.

8 Exposure controls/personal protection

- **Additional information about design of technical systems:** No further data; see item 7.
- **Control parameters**

• **Components with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace:**

1310-58-3 Potassium Hydroxide

REL	Ceiling limit value: 2 mg/m ³
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TLV	Ceiling limit value: 2 mg/m ³
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- **Additional information:** The lists that were valid during the creation were used as basis.
- **Exposure controls**
- **Personal protective equipment:**
- **General protective and hygienic measures:**
Keep away from foodstuffs, beverages and feed.
Immediately remove all soiled and contaminated clothing.

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Wash hands before breaks and at the end of work.

Avoid contact with the eyes and skin.

• **Breathing equipment:**

Filter ABEK

In case of brief exposure or low pollution use respiratory filter device. In case of intensive or longer exposure use respiratory protective device that is independent of circulating air.

• **Protection of hands:**



Protective gloves

The glove material has to be impermeable and resistant to the product/ the substance/ the preparation.

Selection of the glove material on consideration of the penetration times, rates of diffusion and the degradation

• **Material of gloves**

The selection of the suitable gloves does not only depend on the material, but also on further marks of quality and varies from manufacturer to manufacturer. As the product is a preparation of several substances, the resistance of the glove material can not be calculated in advance and has therefore to be checked prior to the application.

• **Penetration time of glove material**

The exact break through time has to be found out by the manufacturer of the protective gloves and has to be observed.

• **For the permanent contact gloves made of the following materials are suitable:**

Butyl rubber, BR

Recommended thickness of the material: ≥ 0.5 mm

Value for the permeation: Level ≥ 480 min

• **As protection from splashes gloves made of the following materials are suitable:**

Recommended thickness of the material: ≥ 0.11 mm

Value for the permeation: Level ≥ 480 min

• **Eye protection:**



Tightly sealed goggles

• **Body protection:**

Use protective suit.

Protective clothing should be selected specifically for the working place, depending on concentration and quantity of the hazardous substances handled.

9 Physical and chemical properties

• **Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

• **General Information**

• **Appearance:**

Form: Fluid
Color: Colorless

• **Odor:** Odorless

• **Odor threshold:** Not determined.

• **pH-value:** Not determined.

• **Change in condition**

Melting point/Melting range: Undetermined.

Boiling point/Boiling range: Undetermined.

• **Flash point:** Not applicable.

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| · Flammability (solid, gaseous): | Not applicable. |
| · Decomposition temperature: | Not determined. |
| · Auto igniting: | Product is not selfigniting. |
| · Danger of explosion: | Product does not present an explosion hazard. |
| · Explosion limits: | |
| Lower: | Not determined. |
| Upper: | Not determined. |
| · Vapor pressure: | Not determined. |
| · Density: | Not determined. |
| · Relative density | Not determined. |
| · Vapor density | Not determined. |
| · Evaporation rate | Not determined. |
| · Solubility in / Miscibility with Water: | Fully miscible. |
| · Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water): | Not determined. |
| · Viscosity: | |
| Dynamic: | Not determined. |
| Kinematic: | Not determined. |
| · Solvent content: | |
| Water: | 1.0 % |
| VOC content: | 0.00 % |
| · Other information | No further relevant information available. |

10 Stability and reactivity

- **Reactivity** No dangerous reactions known.
- **Chemical stability**
- **Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:**
No decomposition if used according to specifications.
- **Possibility of hazardous reactions** Strong exothermic reaction with acids.
- **Conditions to avoid** No further relevant information available.
- **Incompatible materials:** No dangerous reactions known.
- **Hazardous decomposition products:** No dangerous decomposition products known.

11 Toxicological information

- **Information on toxicological effects**
- **Acute toxicity:**
- **LD/LC50 values that are relevant for classification:**

Components	Type	Value	Species
1310-58-3 Potassium Hydroxide			
Oral LD50		333 mg/kg	(rat)

- **Primary irritant effect:**
- **on the skin:** Strong caustic effect on skin and mucous membranes.
- **on the eye:**
Strong caustic effect.
Strong irritant with the danger of severe eye injury.
- **Sensitization:** No sensitizing effects known.

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· **Additional toxicological information:**

The product shows the following dangers according to internally approved calculation methods for preparations:

Harmful
Corrosive
Irritant

Swallowing will lead to a strong caustic effect on mouth and throat and to the danger of perforation of esophagus and stomach.

· **Carcinogenic categories**

· **IARC (International Agency for Research on Cancer)**

None of the ingredients is listed.

· **NTP (National Toxicology Program)**

None of the ingredients is listed.

· **OSHA-Ca (Occupational Safety & Health Administration)**

None of the ingredients is listed.

12 Ecological information

· **Toxicity**

· **Aquatic toxicity:** Quantitative data on the ecological effect of the product are not available.

Type of test	Effective concentration	Method	Assessment
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LC50/96 h	80 mg/l (fish)
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· **Persistence and degradability** No further relevant information available.

· **Behavior in environmental systems:**

· **Bioaccumulative potential** No further relevant information available.

· **Mobility in soil** No further relevant information available.

· **Additional ecological information:**

· **General notes:**

Water hazard class 1 (Self-assessment): slightly hazardous for water
Must not reach bodies of water or drainage ditch undiluted or unneutralized.
Do not allow to enter waters, waste water, or soil.

· **Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**

· **PBT:** Not applicable.

· **vPvB:** Not applicable.

· **Other adverse effects** No further relevant information available.

13 Disposal considerations

· **Waste treatment methods**

· **Recommendation:**

Chemicals must be disposed of in compliance with the respective national regulations.
Must not be disposed of together with household garbage. Do not allow product to reach sewage system.

· **Uncleaned packagings:**

· **Recommendation:**




Disposal must be made according to official regulations.
Packagings that cannot be cleansed are to be disposed of in the same manner as the product.

· **Recommended cleansing agent:** Water, if necessary with cleansing agents.

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14 Transport information

· UN-Number	UN1814
· DOT, ADR, IMDG, IATA	
· UN proper shipping name	Potassium hydroxide, solution
· DOT, ADR	POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION
· IMDG, IATA	
· Transport hazard class(es)	
· DOT	
	
· Class	8 Corrosive substances
· Label	8
· ADR	
	
· Class	8 (C5) Corrosive substances
· Label	8
· IMDG, IATA	
	
· Class	8 Corrosive substances
· Label	8
· Packing group	II
· DOT, ADR, IMDG, IATA	
· Environmental hazards:	Not applicable.
· Special precautions for user	Warning: Corrosive substances
· Danger code (Kemler):	80
· EMS Number:	F-A,S-B
· Segregation groups	Alkalis
· Stowage Category	A
· Segregation Code	SG35 Stow "separated from" acids.
· Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code	Not applicable.
· Transport/Additional information:	
· ADR	
· Excepted quantities (EQ)	Code: E2 Maximum net quantity per inner packaging: 30 ml Maximum net quantity per outer packaging: 500 ml
· IMDG	
· Limited quantities (LQ)	1L
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· **UN "Model Regulation":** UN 1814 POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE, SOLUTION, 8, II

15 Regulatory information

- Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture
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· Section 355 (extremely hazardous substances):

None of the ingredients is listed.

· Section 313 (Specific toxic chemical listings):

None of the ingredients is listed.

· TSCA (Toxic Substances Control Act):

All ingredients are listed.

· Proposition 65

· Chemicals known to cause cancer:

None of the ingredients is listed.

· Chemicals known to cause reproductive toxicity for females:

None of the ingredients is listed.

· Chemicals known to cause reproductive toxicity for males:

None of the ingredients is listed.

· Chemicals known to cause developmental toxicity:

None of the ingredients is listed.

· Cancerogenity categories

· EPA (Environmental Protection Agency)

None of the ingredients is listed.

· TLV (Threshold Limit Value established by ACGIH)

None of the ingredients is listed.

· NIOSH-Ca (National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health)

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- **Chemical safety assessment:** A Chemical Safety Assessment has not been carried out.

16 Other information

This information is based on our present knowledge. However, this shall not constitute a guarantee for any specific product features and shall not establish a legally valid contractual relationship.

- **Department issuing SDS:** Dept. Compliance
- **Date of preparation / last revision** 08/17/2018 / 5
- **Abbreviations and acronyms:**

ADR: Accord européen sur le transport des marchandises dangereuses par Route (European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road)

IMDG: International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods

DOT: US Department of Transportation

IATA: International Air Transport Association

ACGIH: American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances

ELINCS: European List of Notified Chemical Substances

CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society)

NFPA: National Fire Protection Association (USA)

HMIS: Hazardous Materials Identification System (USA)

VOC: Volatile Organic Compounds (USA, EU)

LC50: Lethal concentration, 50 percent

LD50: Lethal dose, 50 percent

PBT: Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic

vPvB: very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative

NIOSH: National Institute for Occupational Safety

OSHA: Occupational Safety & Health

TLV: Threshold Limit Value

PEL: Permissible Exposure Limit

REL: Recommended Exposure Limit

Acute Tox. 4: Acute toxicity – Category 4

Skin Corr. 1A: Skin corrosion/irritation – Category 1A

Eye Dam. 1: Serious eye damage/eye irritation – Category 1

- *** Data compared to the previous version altered.**

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