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Material Safety Data Sheet

May be used to comply with OSHA's Hazard Communication Standard, 29 CFR 1910 1200. Standard must be consulted for specific requirements

U.S. Department of Labor

Occupational Safety and Health Administration
(Non-Mandatory Form)
Form Approved
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IDENTITY (as Used on Label and List)

Potassium Hydroxide, 1.0N

Note: Blank spaces are not permitted. If any item is not applicable or no information is available, the space must be marked to indicate that.

Section I

Manufacturers /Distributor Address Number Street City State and Zip Code

Columbus Chemical Industries, Inc.

N4335 Temkin Road

Columbus, Wisconsin 53925

Emergency Telephone Number

CHEMTREC: 1 (800) 424-9300

Telephone Number for Information

1 (920) 623-2140

Date Prepared

02-09-2006

Signature of Preparer (optional)

Section II - Hazardous Ingredients/Identity Information

Table with 6 columns: Hazardous Components (Specific Chemical Identity, Common Name(s)), CAS #, OSHA PEL, ACGIH TLV, Other Limits Recommended, % (optional). Row 1: Potassium Hydroxide*, 1310-58-3, 2 mg/m³, 2 mg/m³, Not available.

*Subject to SARA Section 313 Reporting Requirements.

Section III - Physical/Chemical Characteristics

Table with 4 columns: Property, Value, Property, Value. Rows: Boiling Point (Not available), Specific Gravity (H2O = 1) (1.046), Vapor Pressure (mm Hg) (Not available), Melting Point (Not available), Vapor Density (AIR = 1) (Not available), Evaporation Rate (Butyl Acetate = 1) (Not available).

Solubility in Water

Complete in all proportions

Appearance and Odor

Clear, colorless liquid.

Section IV Fire and Explosion Hazard Data

Table with 4 columns: Flash Point (Method Used), Flammable Limits, LEL, UEL. Row 1: Nonflammable, Not applicable, Not applicable.

Extinguishing Media

Suitable to extinguish the supporting flame. Water spray, dry chemical, carbon dioxide, alcohol foam.

Special Fire Fighting Procedures

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus and protective clothing to prevent contact with skin or eyes. Use water spray to keep fire-exposed containers cool.

Unusual Fire and Explosion Hazards

May emit toxic fumes under fire conditions. Corrosive.

Section V Reactivity Data

Stability	Unstable		Conditions to Avoid	Incompatibles.
	Stable	X		

Incompatibility Materials to Avoid

Strong acids; lithium, potassium and sodium metal.

Hazardous Decomposition or Byproducts

Potassium, potassium oxide.

Hazardous Polymerization**Conditions to Avoid**

	May Occur		None
	Will Not Occur	X	

Section VI Health Hazard Data

Routes of Entry	Inhalation ?	Skin ?	Ingestion ?
	Yes	Yes	Yes

Health Hazards (Acute and Chronic)

Irritating to the skin, eyes, mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract. Ingestion is harmful and may be fatal.

Inhalation may result in spasm, inflammation and edema of the larynx and bronchi, chemical pneumonitis, and pulmonary edema. Ingestion or inhalation may cause damage to respiratory and digestive tracts.

Carcinogenicity	NTP	IARC Monographs	OSHA REGULATED?
	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

Signs and Symptoms of Exposure.

Burning sensation, coughing, wheezing, laryngitis, shortness of breath, headache, nausea, vomiting, erythema, blisters, tissue destruction, bloody diarrhea, edema, convulsions, bronchitis, pneumonia, cardiovascular collapse, shock and death.

Medical Conditions Generally Aggravated by Exposure

Asthma, emphysema, other respiratory diseases.

Emergency and First Aid Procedures EYES/SKIN: Flush immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Remove

contaminated clothing. Remove contact lenses if possible. Call physician if irritation develops. Wash clothing

before reuse. INGESTION: DO NOT induce vomiting. Give several cups of water to conscious victim. Call a physician.

INHALATION: Move to fresh air. Give oxygen if breathing is difficult, artificial respiration if not breathing.

Section VII Precautions for Safe Handling and Use**Steps to be Taken in Case Material is Released or Spilled**

Evacuate unprotected personnel from area. Ventilate spill area. Wear self-contained breathing apparatus, rubber boots, heavy protective gloves and chemical safety goggles. Neutralize spill area with soda ash or lime. Absorb spill with vermiculite or other inert material. Flush spill area with water.

Waste Disposal Method Dispose in accordance with all applicable Federal, state and local regulations.

Precautions to be Taken in Handling and Storing

Keep container tightly closed. Store in corrosion-proof area. Do not get in eyes or on skin or clothing. Do not taste or swallow. Avoid breathing mist. Use only with adequate ventilation. Wash thoroughly after handling. Protect from acids.

Other Precautions Do not get in eyes, on clothing. Do not breathe vapor. Use with adequate ventilation. Containers, even when empty, will retain residue. Always obey hazard warnings and handle empty containers as if they were full.

Section VII Control Measures

Respiratory Protection (Specify Type) NIOSH/MSHA approved dust/mist respirator.

Ventilation	Local Exhaust	Recommended to control mist.	Special	Eye-wash station nearby.
	Mechanical (General)	Recommended.	Other	Safety shower nearby.

Protective Gloves Rubber gloves. **Eye Protection** Safety goggles

Other Protective Clothing or Equipment Lab coat or apron and rubber boots. Face-shield recommended.

Work /Hygienic Practices Wash exposed areas thoroughly after handling. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

Do **NOT** wear contact lenses. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment. CORROSIVE! Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Avoid prolonged or repeated exposure.

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