

Section 1: Identification		
Common Name/Trade Name	POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE	
Supplier Information	Letco Medical, LLC 1316 Commerce Drive NW Decatur, AL 35601 1 (800) 239-5288 +1 (734) 843-4693	IN CASE OF EMERGENCY: Chemtrec 1 (800) 424-9300 (24 hours) NSW Poisons Information Centre: 131 126 (24 hours)
Distributor Name	Bella Corp Trading Pty Ltd 6/34 Dominions Road, Ashmore QLD 4214, Australia Telephone: 07 5597 4169 Email: <u>bellacorp@bellacorp.com.au</u>	
Product Synonym(s)	Caustic Potash, Potassium Hydrate	
Relevant Use(s) of Product	Manufacture or Compounding of Substances	

	Secti	on 2: Hazards Identification	
Classification of Substance or Mixture	Corrosive to metals (Category 1), Skin corrosion/irritation (Category 1), Serious eye damage/eye irritation (Category 1), Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Category 3), Acute hazards to the aquatic environment (Category 3)		
Signal Word	Danger		
Hazard Statement(s)	H290 H314 H335 H402	May be corrosive to metals Causes severe skin burns and eye damage May cause respiratory irritation Harmful to aquatic life	
Pictogram(s)			
Precautionary Statement(s)	P233 P234 P260 P264 P271 P273 P280 P301+P330+P331 P303+P361+P353 P304+P340 P305+P351+P338 P310 P315 P363 P403 P405 P406 P501	<ul> <li>Keep container tightly closed.</li> <li>Keep only in original container.</li> <li>Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.</li> <li>Wash hands thoroughly after handling.</li> <li>Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.</li> <li>Avoid release to the environment.</li> <li>Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.</li> <li>IF SWALLOWED Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.</li> <li>IF ON SKIN (or hair) Remove/Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.</li> <li>IF INHALED Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.</li> <li>IF IN EYES Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses if present and easy to do. continue rinsing.</li> <li>Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.</li> <li>Get immediate medical advice/attention.</li> <li>Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.</li> <li>Store in a well-ventilated place.</li> <li>Store in a corrosive resistant container with a resistant inner liner.</li> <li>Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant.</li> </ul>	
Hazards Not Otherwise Classified	Corrosive to metal Category 1 Skin Corrosion/Irritation Category 1A Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation Category 1 Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Single Exposure Category 3 Respiratory tract irritation.		
Ingredient(s) with Unknown Toxicity	Acute toxicity, oral 0 % Ac	cute toxicity, dermal 81.5 % Acute toxicity, inhalation, dust or mist 85 %	

Section 3: Composition/Information on Ingredients			
Chemical Name	N/A		
Common Name	Potassium Hydroxide		
CAS Number	1310-58-3		
Additional Ingredient Information	No data available		
Material		Percent	CAS
Potassium hydroxide		85.00 - 90.00%	1310-58-3
Potassium carbonate		<=3.50%	584-08-7
Impurities and/or Stabilizing Additives	No data available		

	Section 4: First Aid Measures
General Advice	Get medical advice/attention if you feel unwell. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.
If Inhaled	Move to fresh air. Call a physician or poison control center immediately. Apply artificial respiration if victim is not breathing. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen.
In Case of Skin Contact	Immediately flush with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes while removing contaminated clothing and shoes. Call a physician or poison control center immediately. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. Destroy or thoroughly clean contaminated shoes.
In Case of Eye Contact	Immediately flush with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. If easy to do, remove contact lenses. Call a physician or poison control center immediately. In case of irritation from airborne exposure, move to fresh air. Get medical attention immediately.
If Swallowed	Call a physician or poison control center immediately. Do NOT induce vomiting. If vomiting occurs, keep head low so that stomach content doesn't get into the lungs.
Most Important Symptoms and Effects	Causes severe skin and eye burns. Causes digestive tract burns. Treatment: Treat symptomatically. Symptoms may be delayed.

Section 5: Fire Fighting Measures		
Suitable Extinguishing Media	Water spray, foam, dry powder or carbon dioxide.	
Special Hazards Arising From the Substance/Mixture	General fire hazards: No unusual fire or explosion hazards noted. Fire may produce irritating, corrosive and/or toxic gases.	
Special PPE and/or Precautions for Firefighters	Move containers from fire are if you can do so without risk. Use water spray to keep fire-exposed containers cool. Firefighters must use standard protective equipment including flame retardant coat, helmet with face shield, gloves, rubber boots, and enclosed spaces, SCBA.	

Section 6: Accidental Release Measures		
Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment and Emergency Procedures	Keep unauthorized personnel away. Ventilate closed spaces before entering them. Use personal protective equipment. See Section 8 of the SDS for Personal Protective Equipment. Do not touch damaged containers or spilled material unless wearing appropriate protective clothing.	
Methods and Materials Used for Containment	Dike for later disposal. Prevent entry into waterways, sewer, basements or confined areas. Stop the flow of material, if this is without risk. Inform authorities if large amounts are involved. Do not contaminate water sources or sewer. Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Avoid discharge into drains, water courses or onto the ground.	
Cleanup Procedures	Sweep up and place in a clearly labeled container for chemical waste. Clean surface thoroughly to remove residual contamination. Neutralize spill area and washings with dilute acetic acid.	

Section 7: Handling and Storage	
Precautions for Safe Handling	Avoid inhalation of dust and vapors. Do not get in eyes, on skin, on clothing. Do not taste or swallow. Wash hands thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
Conditions for Safe Storage	Do not store in metal containers. Keep containers tightly closed. Store in cool, dry place. Store in a well-ventilated place.

	Section 8: Exposure Controls/Personal Protection
Components with Workplace Control Parameters	Potassium hydroxide Ceiling 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup> US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (2011) Ceil_Time 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup> US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards (2016) Ceiling 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup> US. OSHA Table Z-1-A (29 CFR 1910.1000) (1989) Ceiling 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup> US. Tennessee. OELs. Occupational Exposure Limits, Table Z 1A (06 2008) AN ESL 2 µg/m <sup>3</sup> US. Texas. Effects Screening Levels (Texas Commission on Environmental Quality) (03 2014) ST ESL 20 µg/m <sup>3</sup> US. Texas. Effects Screening Levels (Texas Commission on Environmental Quality) (03 2014) ST ESL 20 µg/m <sup>3</sup> US. Texas. Effects Screening Levels (Texas Commission on Environmental Quality) (03 2014) Ceiling 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup> US. California Code of Regulations, Title 8, Section 5155. Airborne Contaminants (08 2010) Potassium hydroxide - Particulate. AN ESL Health 2 µg/m <sup>3</sup> US. Texas. Effects Screening Levels (Texas Commission on Environmental Quality) (06 2018) ST ESL Health 20 µg/m <sup>3</sup> US. Texas. Effects Screening Levels (Texas Commission on Environmental Quality) (06 2018) Potassium carbonate - Total dust. PEL 15 mg/m <sup>3</sup> US. OSHA Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants (29 CFR 1910.1000) Potassium carbonate - Respirable fraction. PEL 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Appropriate Engineering Controls	Good general ventilation (typically 10 air changes per hour) should be used. Ventilation rates should be matched to conditions. If applicable, use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to maintain airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If exposure limits have not been established, maintain airborne levels to an acceptable level. An eye wash and safety shower must be available in the immediate work area. Hygiene measures: Provide eyewash station and safety shower. Observe good industrial hygiene practices. Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling the product. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing.
PPE - Eye/Face Protection	Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles) and a face shield.
PPE - Skin Protection	Hand protection: Chemical resistant gloves. Other: Wear appropriate clothing to prevent reasonably probable skin contact.
PPE - Body Protection	Hand protection: Chemical resistant gloves. Other: Wear appropriate clothing to prevent reasonably probable skin contact.
PPE - Respiratory Protection	In case of inadequate ventilation use suitable respirator. High-efficiency particulate respirator with full face-piece.

Section 9: Physical and Chemical Properties		
Appearance	Physical state: Solid Form: Solid Color: White	
Upper/Lower Flammability or Explosive Limits	No data available	
Odor	Odorless	
Vapor Pressure	0.1 kPa (714°C)	
Odor Threshold	No data available	
Vapor Density	No data available	
рН	13.5 (5.61 g/l, 20°C)	
Relative Density	2.04 (20°C)	
Melting Point/Freezing Point	360°C	
Solubility	Water solubility: Soluble	
Initial Boiling Point and Boiling Range	1,320°C	
Flash Point	No data available	
Evaporation Rate	No data available	
Flammability (Solid, Gas)	No data available	
Partition Coefficient	No data available	
Auto-Ignition Temperature	No data available	
Decomposition Temperature	No data available	
Viscosity	No data available	

Section 10: Stability and Reactivity		
Reactivity	Reacts violently with strong acids.	
Chemical Stability	Material is stable under normal conditions.	
Possibility of Hazardous Reactions	Hazardous polymerization does not occur. The substance is hygroscopic and will absorb water by contact with the moisture in the air.	
Conditions to Avoid	Avoid contact with oxidizing agents. Reacts violently with strong acids. Heat. Moisture.	
Incompatible Materials	Moisture. Oxidizing agents. Acids, Maleic Anhydride Halogens. Nitromethane. Contact with metals may evolve flammable hydrogen gas.	
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Oxides of potassium	

Section 11: Toxicological Information		
Acute Toxicity - LD50 Oral	Oral Product: ATEmix (Rat): 301.62 mg/kg	
Acute Toxicity - Inhalation	No data available	
Acute Toxicity - Dermal	No data available	
Acute Toxicity - Eye	No data available	
Skin Corrosion/Irritation	Causes severe skin burns.	
Serious Eye Damage/Irritation	Causes serious eye damage.	
Respiratory or Skin Sensitization	Not a skin nor a respiratory sensitizer.	
Germ Cell Mutagenicity	No mutagenic components identified.	
Carcinogenicity IARC	No carcinogenic components identified.	
Carcinogenicity ACGIH	No data available	
Carcinogenicity NTP	No carcinogenic components identified.	
Carcinogenicity OSHA	No carcinogenic components identified.	
Reproductive Toxicity	No components toxic to reproduction	
Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Single Exposure	Respiratory tract irritation.	
Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Repeated Exposure	None known.	
Aspiration Hazard	Not classified.	

Section 12: Ecological Information		
Toxicity	POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE LC 50 (Western mosquitofish (Gambusia affinis), 96 h): 80 mg/l LC 50 (Gambusia affinis, 96 h): 80 mg/l NOAEL (Gambusia affinis, 96 h): 56 mg/l	
Persistence and Degradability	Expected to be readily biodegradable.	
Bio-accumulative Potential	No data available	
Mobility in Soil	The product is water soluble and may spread in water systems.	
Other Adverse Effects	Harmful in aquatic organisms. The product may affect the acidity (pH-factor) in water with risk of harmful effects to aquatic organisms.	

Section 13: Disposal Considerations		
Waste Treatment Methods Product	Discharge, treatment, or disposal may be subject to national, state, or local laws.	
Waste Treatment Methods Packaging	Since emptied containers retain product residue, follow label warnings even after container is emptied.	
Special Precautions Landfill or Incinerations	No data available	
Other Information	No data available	

Section 14: Transport Information		
UN Number	1813	
UN Proper Shipping Name	Potassium hydroxide, solid	
Transport Hazard Class(es)	8	
Packaging Group	II	
Environmental Hazards	Marine Pollutant: No	

## **Section 15: Regulatory Information**

US Federal Regulations TSCA Section 12(b) Export Notification (40 CFR 707, Subpt. D) None present or none present in regulated quantities. US. OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1050) None present or none present in regulated quantities. CERCLA Hazardous Substance List (40 CFR 302.4): Chemical Identity Reportable quantity Potassium hydroxide 1000 lbs. Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA) Hazard categories Corrosive to metal Skin Corrosion or Irritation Serious eye damage or eye irritation Specific target organ toxicity (single or repeated exposure) SARA 302 Extremely Hazardous Substance None present or none present in regulated quantities. SARA 304 Emergency Release Notification None present or none present in regulated quantities. SARA 311/312 Hazardous Chemical Chemical Identity Threshold Planning Quantity Potassium hydroxide 10000 lbs. SARA 313 (TRI Reporting) None present or none present in regulated quantities. Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112(r) Accidental Release Prevention (40 CFR 68.130): None present or none present in regulated quantities. Version: 1.2 Revision Date: 03-05-2021 SDS\_US - SDSMIX000296 10/11 Clean Water Act Section 311 Hazardous Substances (40 CFR 117.3): Chemical Identity Reportable quantity Potassium hydroxide Reportable quantity: 1000 lbs. US State Regulations US. California Proposition 65 No ingredient requiring a warning under CA Prop 65. US. New Jersey Worker and Community Right-to-Know Act Chemical Identity Potassium hydroxide US. Massachusetts RTK - Substance List Chemical Identity Potassium hydroxide US. Pennsylvania RTK - Hazardous Substances Chemical Identity Potassium hydroxide US. Rhode Island RTK Chemical Identity Potassium hydroxide International regulations Montreal protocol Not applicable Stockholm convention Not applicable Rotterdam convention Not applicable Kyoto protocol Not applicable Inventory Status: Australia AICS: On or in compliance with the inventory Canada DSL Inventory List: On or in compliance with the inventory China Inv. Existing Chemical Substances: On or in compliance with the inventory Japan (ENCS) List: On or in compliance with the inventory Japan ISHL Listing: Not in compliance with the inventory. Korea Existing Chemicals Inv. (KECI): On or in compliance with the inventory Mexico INSQ: On or in compliance with the inventory New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals: On or in compliance with the inventory Philippines PICCS: On or in compliance with the inventory Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory: On or in compliance with the inventory US TSCA Inventory: On or in compliance with the inventory EINECS, ELINCS or NLP: On or in compliance with the inventory

Section 16: Other Information		
Additional Information	NFPA Hazard ID Flammability 3, Health 0, Reactivity 1, Special Hazard: CO Hazard rating: 0- Minimal; 1- Slight, 2- Moderate, 3- Serious, 4- Severe, COR: Corrosive	
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