

# Potassium hydroxide

## Safety Data Sheet

according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 (REACH) with its amendment Regulation (EU) 2015/830  
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**617407**

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

### 1.1. Product identifier

Product form : Substance  
Substance name : Potassium hydroxide  
Chemical name : potassium hydroxide, caustic potash  
EC Index No : 019-002-00-8  
EC No : 215-181-3  
CAS No : 1310-58-3  
Product code : 617407  
Product group : Raw material

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

#### 1.2.1. Relevant identified uses

Main use category : Pharmaceutical industry  
Use of the substance/mixture : Exipient

#### 1.2.2. Uses advised against

No additional information available

### 1.3. Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

#### Supplier

Duchefa Farma BV  
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2031BH Haarlem - Nederland  
T +31(0)23-5319093  
[farma@ducheffa.nl](mailto:farma@ducheffa.nl) - [www.duchefa-farma.com](http://www.duchefa-farma.com)

### 1.4. Emergency telephone number

Emergency number : Supplier contact information:  
+31(0)23-5319093 (M-F 09:00-17:00)  
+31(0)6-30109355 (outside office hours)

Country	Organisation/Company	Address	Emergency number	Comment
United Kingdom	Guy's & St Thomas' Poisons Unit Medical Toxicology Unit, Centre Hospitalier Universitaire de Constantine	Avonley Road SE14 5ER London	0870 243 2241	

## SECTION 2: Hazards identification

### 2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

#### Classification according to Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008 [CLP]

Acute toxicity (oral), Category 4 H302  
Skin corrosion/irritation, Category 1A H314

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Full text of hazard classes and H-statements : see section 16

Specific concentration limits:

( 0.5 =<C < 2)	Skin Irrit. 2, H315
( 0.5 =<C < 2)	Eye Irrit. 2, H319
( 2 =<C < 5)	Skin Corr. 1B, H314
(C >= 5)	Skin Corr. 1A, H314

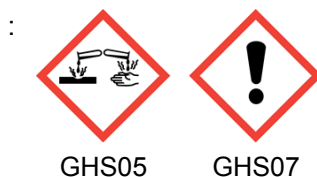
### Adverse physicochemical, human health and environmental effects

No additional information available

## 2.2. Label elements

### Labelling according to Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008 [CLP]

Hazard pictograms (CLP)



Signal word (CLP) : Danger

Hazard statements (CLP) : H302 - Harmful if swallowed  
H314 - Causes severe skin burns and eye damage

Precautionary statements (CLP) : P280 - Wear eye protection, face protection, protective gloves, protective clothing  
P301+P312 - IF SWALLOWED: call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell  
P331 - Do NOT induce vomiting  
P305+P351 - IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes

## 2.3. Other hazards

No additional information available

## SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

### 3.1. Substances

Name	Product identifier	%	Classification according to Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008 [CLP]
Potassium hydroxide	(CAS No) 1310-58-3 (EC No) 215-181-3 (EC Index No) 019-002-00-8	85 - 100.5	Acute Tox. 4 (Oral), H302 Skin Corr. 1A, H314

Specific concentration limits:

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Full text of H-statements: see section 16

## 3.2. Mixtures

Not applicable

## SECTION 4: First aid measures

### 4.1. Description of first aid measures

First-aid measures general	: Remove/Take off immediately all contaminated clothing.
First-aid measures after inhalation	: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.
First-aid measures after skin contact	: Wash with plenty of soap and water.
First-aid measures after eye contact	: Immediately flush eyes thoroughly with water for at least 15 minutes. Seek medical attention immediately.
First-aid measures after ingestion	: Drink plenty of water. Do NOT induce vomiting. Get immediate medical advice/attention.

### 4.2. Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

No additional information available

### 4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

No additional information available

## SECTION 5: Fire-fighting measures

### 5.1. Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media	: Making extinguishing agents environment-friendly. All extinguishing agents can be used.
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### 5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

No additional information available

### 5.3. Advice for firefighters

No additional information available

## SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

### 6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

General measures	: Avoid raising dust.
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#### 6.1.1. For non-emergency personnel

No additional information available

#### 6.1.2. For emergency responders

No additional information available

### 6.2. Environmental precautions

### 6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

For containment	: Collect spillage.
Methods for cleaning up	: Sweep up, shovel or vacuum.

### 6.4. Reference to other sections

See Heading 13.

**SECTION 7: Handling and storage****7.1. Precautions for safe handling**

Precautions for safe handling : Take all necessary technical measures to avoid or minimize the release of the product on the workplace.

**7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**

Storage conditions : Store in a dry place. Store in a closed container.  
Incompatible products : Contact with Aluminium, Zinc and Tin can cause formation of hydrogen that together with air can be a combustible mixture.  
Storage temperature : 15 - 25 °C  
Storage area : VCI storage class: 8.

**7.3. Specific end use(s)**

Pharmaceutical industry.

**SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection****8.1. Control parameters**

No additional information available

**8.2. Exposure controls****Hand protection:**

Type	Material	Permeation	Thickness (mm)	Standard
Gloves	Nitrile rubber (NBR)	6 (> 480 minutes)	0,11	EN 374

**Eye protection:**

Safety glasses (to European standard EN 166 or equivalent)

**Skin and body protection:**

Protective clothing (with elasticated cuffs and closed neck)

**Respiratory protection:**

Approved dust respirator. Dustmask with filtertype P1

**SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties****9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

Physical state : Solid  
Appearance : Pellets/tablets.  
Molecular mass : 56.11 g/mol  
Colour : White.  
Odour : odourless.  
Odour threshold : No data available  
pH : > 10.5 1% solution in water  
Relative evaporation rate (butylacetate=1) : No data available  
Melting point : 360 °C  
Freezing point : No data available  
Boiling point : No data available

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Flash point : No data available  
Auto-ignition temperature : No data available  
Decomposition temperature : No data available  
Flammability (solid, gas) : No data available  
Vapour pressure : No data available  
Relative vapour density at 20 °C : No data available  
Relative density : No data available  
Density : 2.04 g/cm<sup>3</sup>  
Solubility : Water: 1120 g/l

Log Pow : No data available  
Viscosity, kinematic : No data available  
Viscosity, dynamic : No data available  
Explosive properties : No data available

Oxidising properties : No data available  
Explosive limits : No data available

### 9.2. Other information

No additional information available

## SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

### 10.1. Reactivity

No additional information available

### 10.2. Chemical stability

No additional information available

### 10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

No additional information available

### 10.4. Conditions to avoid

No additional information available

### 10.5. Incompatible materials

metals. Ammonium compounds. Alkaline earth metals. Halogen-halogen compounds. organic nitro-compounds. Phosphorus. Strong acids.

### 10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

No additional information available

## SECTION 11: Toxicological information

### 11.1. Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity : Oral: Harmful if swallowed.

Potassium hydroxide (1310-58-3)	
LD50 oral rat	273 mg/kg

Skin corrosion/irritation : Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.  
pH: > 10.5 1% solution in water  
Serious eye damage/irritation : Serious eye damage, category 1, implicit  
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Respiratory or skin sensitisation : Not classified  
Germ cell mutagenicity : Not classified  
Carcinogenicity : Not classified

Reproductive toxicity : Not classified  
STOT-single exposure : Not classified  
STOT-repeated exposure : Not classified

Aspiration hazard : Not classified

## SECTION 12: Ecological information

### 12.1. Toxicity

No additional information available

### 12.2. Persistence and degradability

No additional information available

### 12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

No additional information available

### 12.4. Mobility in soil

No additional information available

### 12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

No additional information available

### 12.6. Other adverse effects

No additional information available


## SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

### 13.1. Waste treatment methods

Regional legislation (waste) : Disposal must be done according to official regulations.  
Waste disposal recommendations : Dispose of contaminated material at an authorized site. Avoid release to the environment.

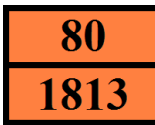
## SECTION 14: Transport information

In accordance with ADR / RID / IMDG / IATA / ADN

ADR	IATA
<b>14.1. UN number</b>	
1813	Not applicable
<b>14.2. UN proper shipping name</b>	
POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE, SOLID	Not applicable
<b>14.3. Transport hazard class(es)</b>	
8	Not applicable
	Not applicable
<b>14.4. Packing group</b>	
II	Not applicable
<b>14.5. Environmental hazards</b>	
Dangerous for the environment : No	Dangerous for the environment : No
No supplementary information available	

#### 14.6. Special precautions for user

##### - Overland transport

Classification code (ADR)	: C6
Limited quantities (ADR)	: 1kg
Excepted quantities (ADR)	: E2
Packing instructions (ADR)	: P002, IBC08
Special packing provisions (ADR)	: B4
Mixed packing provisions (ADR)	: MP10
Portable tank and bulk container instructions (ADR)	: T3
Portable tank and bulk container special provisions (ADR)	: TP33
Tank code (ADR)	: SGAN
Vehicle for tank carriage	: AT
Transport category (ADR)	: 2
Special provisions for carriage - Packages (ADR)	: V11
Hazard identification number (Kemler No.)	: 80
Orange plates	: 
Tunnel restriction code (ADR)	: E
EAC code	: 2W

##### - Air transport

No data available

#### 14.7. Transport in bulk according to Annex II of Marpol and the IBC Code

Not applicable

### SECTION 15: Regulatory information

#### 15.1. Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

##### 15.1.1. EU-Regulations

No REACH Annex XVII restrictions

Potassium hydroxide is not on the REACH Candidate List

Potassium hydroxide is not on the REACH Annex XIV List

##### 15.1.2. National regulations

No additional information available

#### 15.2. Chemical safety assessment

No chemical safety assessment has been carried out

### SECTION 16: Other information

Indication of changes:

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1.4	Emergency telephone	Modified	Added additional information
2	Classification (DSD/DPD)	Removed	Obsolete
8.2	Hand protection	Modified	Specified material, thickness, et cetera of gloves

### Abbreviations and acronyms:

SDS	Safety Data Sheet
RID	Regulations concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail
REACH	Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006
IMDG	International Maritime Dangerous Goods
IATA	International Air Transport Association
ADR	European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road
ADN	European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterways
CLP	Classification Labelling Packaging Regulation; Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

Data sources : REGULATION (EC) No 1272/2008 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL of 16 December 2008 on classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures, amending and repealing Directives 67/548/EEC and 1999/45/EC, and amending Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006. Supplier.

### Full text of H- and EUH-statements:

Acute Tox. 4 (Oral)	Acute toxicity (oral), Category 4
Skin Corr. 1A	Skin corrosion/irritation, Category 1A
H302	Harmful if swallowed
H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage

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*This information is based on our current knowledge and is intended to describe the product for the purposes of health, safety and environmental requirements only. It should not therefore be construed as guaranteeing any specific property of the product*