

1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product Name: Potassium Hydroxide (KOH)

Synonyms: Caustic Potash, Potash Lye, potassium hydroxide

CAS Number: 1310-58-3

Grade/Purity: Technical

Product Type: Bases

Product Use: Industrial, Manufacturing or Laboratory use

Manufacturer/Supplier: Alliance Chemical, 204 South Edmond St, Taylor, Texas 76574

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Emergency: CHEMTEL - 800-255-3924 (24 Hours/Day, 7 Days/Week)

2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Signal Word: Danger

GHS Pictograms:



Hazard Statements:

H302	Harmful if swallowed [Warning Acute toxicity, oral]
H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage [Danger Skin corrosion/irritation]

Precautionary Statements:

P260,	P264, P270, P280, P301+P317, P301+P330+P331, P302+P361+P354, P304+P340, P305+P354+P338, P316, P321, P330, P363, P405, and P501
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3. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

COMPONENT	CAS #	FORMULA	MOLECULAR WEIGHT	CONCENTRATION
Potassium Hydroxide (KOH)	1310-58-3	HKO	56.11 g/mol	90%

4. FIRST-AID MEASURES

Eyes	EYES: flush with water for at least 15 min.
Skin	Remove contaminated clothes. Rinse skin with plenty of water or shower for at least 15 minutes. Refer immediately for medical attention.
Inhalation	INHALATION: IMMEDIATELY leave the contaminated area; take deep breaths of fresh air. If symptoms (such as wheezing, coughing, shortness of breath, or burning in the mouth, throat, or chest) develop, call a physician and be prepared to transport the victim to a hospital. Provide proper respiratory protection to rescuers entering an unknown atmosphere. Whenever possible, Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) should be used; if not available, use a level of protection greater than or equal to that advised under Protective Clothing.
Ingestion	Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting. If within a few minutes after ingestion, one small glass of water may be given to drink. Refer immediately for medical attention.

5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

Suitable Media	Dry chemical, CO ₂ , water spray. Use water spray to cool containers.
Unsuitable Media	Do not use a solid water stream as it may scatter and spread fire.
Protective Equipment	Wear self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective clothing.
Combustion Products	May include carbon oxides and other toxic fumes. See Section 10.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal Precautions	Use PPE as described in Section 8. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate personnel to safe areas.
Environmental	Prevent leakage or spillage from entering drains, sewers, or waterways.
Containment & Cleanup	Absorb with inert material. Collect in appropriate waste container. Dispose per applicable regulations.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Safe Handling	Use with adequate ventilation. Avoid contact with skin, eyes, and clothing. Wash thoroughly after handling. Keep container closed when not in use.
Safe Storage	Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area. Use corrosion-resistant containers. Keep away from incompatible materials (see Section 10). Keep containers tightly closed.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

Engineering Controls: Use adequate ventilation. Provide eyewash stations and quick-drench showers accessible to areas of use.

Occupational Exposure Limits:

No established occupational exposure limits.

Eyes	Wear chemical safety goggles or face shield.
Skin	Wear chemical-resistant gloves and protective clothing.
Inhalation	Use NIOSH-approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or irritation occurs.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance	White crystalline powder
Odor	Characteristic
pH	Not Available
Melting Point	360°C (680°F)
Boiling Point	1320°C (2408°F)
Flash Point	Not Available
Vapor Pressure	Not Available
Specific Gravity	2.044
Solubility	Highly water-soluble, moderate alcohol solubility
Molecular Formula	HKO
Molecular Weight	56.11 g/mol

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Chemical Stability	Stable under recommended storage conditions.
Hazardous Reactions	None under normal processing conditions.
Conditions to Avoid	Heat, sparks, open flame, and incompatible materials.
Incompatible Materials	Strong acids, strong bases, reactive metals, water (for some concentrated forms).
Decomposition Products	May produce carbon oxides and other toxic fumes when heated to decomposition.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute Toxicity: See Section 2 for GHS hazard classification.

IARC	Not listed as carcinogen.
NTP	Not listed as carcinogen.
OSHA	Not listed as carcinogen.

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity	Data not available. Avoid release to the environment.
Persistence	Not Available
Bioaccumulation	Not Available
Mobility in Soil	Not Available

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Dispose of contents/container in accordance with applicable federal, state, and local regulations. Do not dispose of into drains or waterways.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

US DOT	UN1813, POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE SOLID, 8, PG II
IMDG	UN1813, POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE, SOLID, 8, PG II, Tunnel (E)
IATA/ICAO	UN1813, POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE SOLID, 8, PG II Passenger: 15 KG (PI 859); Cargo only: 50 KG (PI 863)
Marine Pollutant	No

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

TSCA Inventory	All ingredients are listed on the TSCA Active inventory.
California Prop 65	Refer to California Proposition 65 list for current status.
SARA 311/312	See Section 2 for hazard classifications.
SARA 313	Refer to EPA Toxic Release Inventory for current listing status.

16. OTHER INFORMATION

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