

SAFETY DATA SHEET

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1. Identification

Product Name Potassium dichromate

Cat No. : A18722

CAS-No 7778-50-9
Synonyms Potassium bichromate.; Dipotassium dichromate; Dichromic acid, dipotassium salt

Recommended Use Laboratory chemicals.
Uses advised against Food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use.
Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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2. Hazard(s) identification

Classification

This chemical is considered hazardous by the 2012 OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

Oxidizing solids	Category 2
Acute oral toxicity	Category 3
Acute dermal toxicity	Category 4
Acute Inhalation Toxicity - Dusts and Mists	Category 2
Skin Corrosion/Irritation	Category 1 B
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 1
Respiratory Sensitization	Category 1
Skin Sensitization	Category 1
Germ Cell Mutagenicity	Category 1B
Carcinogenicity	Category 1A
Reproductive Toxicity	Category 1B
Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)	Category 3
Target Organs - Respiratory system.	
Specific target organ toxicity - (repeated exposure)	Category 1
Target Organs - Respiratory system, Liver, Kidney, Blood.	

Label Elements**Signal Word**

Danger

Hazard Statements

May intensify fire; oxidizer

Toxic if swallowed

Harmful in contact with skin

Fatal if inhaled

Causes severe skin burns and eye damage

May cause respiratory irritation

May cause an allergic skin reaction

May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled

May cause genetic defects

May cause cancer

May damage fertility. May damage the unborn child

Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure

**Precautionary Statements****Prevention**

Obtain special instructions before use

Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood

Use personal protective equipment as required

Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling

Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product

Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing

Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray

Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area

Wear respiratory protection

In case of inadequate ventilation wear respiratory protection

Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace

Wear protective gloves

Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking

Keep/Store away from clothing/ other combustible materials

Take any precaution to avoid mixing with combustibles

Response

Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician

Inhalation

IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing

Skin

Wash contaminated clothing before reuse

IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower

If skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice/attention

Eyes

IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing

Ingestion

Rinse mouth

Do NOT induce vomiting

FireIn case of fire: Use CO₂, dry chemical, or foam for extinction**Storage**

Store locked up
Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed

Disposal

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)

Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects

WARNING. Cancer and Reproductive Harm - <https://www.p65warnings.ca.gov/>.

3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Potassium dichromate	7778-50-9	>95

4. First-aid measures

General Advice	Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Immediate medical attention is required.
Eye Contact	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.
Skin Contact	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.
Inhalation	Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Do not use mouth-to-mouth method if victim ingested or inhaled the substance; give artificial respiration with the aid of a pocket mask equipped with a one-way valve or other proper respiratory medical device. Immediate medical attention is required.
Ingestion	Do NOT induce vomiting. Call a physician or poison control center immediately.
Most important symptoms and effects	Causes burns by all exposure routes. May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled. May cause allergic skin reaction. Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated: Symptoms of allergic reaction may include rash, itching, swelling, trouble breathing, tingling of the hands and feet, dizziness, lightheadedness, chest pain, muscle pain or flushing: Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation
Notes to Physician	Treat symptomatically

5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media	Water spray, carbon dioxide (CO ₂), dry chemical, alcohol-resistant foam.
Unsuitable Extinguishing Media	No information available
Flash Point	No information available
Method -	No information available
Autoignition Temperature	
Explosion Limits	
Upper	No data available
Lower	No data available
Oxidizing Properties	Oxidizer
Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact	No information available
Sensitivity to Static Discharge	No information available

Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

The product causes burns of eyes, skin and mucous membranes. Oxidizer: Contact with combustible/organic material may cause fire. May ignite combustibles (wood paper, oil, clothing, etc.). Do not allow run-off from fire-fighting to enter drains or water courses.

Hazardous Combustion Products

Chromium oxide.

Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

NFPA

Health 4	Flammability 0	Instability 1	Physical hazards OX
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6. Accidental release measures**Personal Precautions**

Use personal protective equipment as required. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Avoid dust formation.

Environmental Precautions

Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system. Prevent product from entering drains. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained. Should not be released into the environment.

Methods for Containment and Clean Up

Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Avoid dust formation. Soak up with inert absorbent material. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal. Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal.

7. Handling and storage**Handling**

Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Use only under a chemical fume hood. Do not ingest. If swallowed then seek immediate medical assistance. Do not breathe (dust, vapor, mist, gas). Avoid dust formation. Keep away from clothing and other combustible materials.

Storage

Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Do not store near combustible materials. Corrosives area.

8. Exposure controls / personal protection**Exposure Guidelines**

Component	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH IDLH	Mexico OEL (TWA)
Potassium dichromate	TWA: 0.0002 mg/m ³ STEL: 0.0005 mg/m ³ Skin	(Vacated) Ceiling: 0.1 mg/m ³ Ceiling: 0.1 mg/m ³	IDLH: 15 mg/m ³ TWA: 0.0002 mg/m ³	TWA: 0.05 mg/m ³

Legend

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration

NIOSH IDLH: NIOSH - National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

Engineering Measures

Use only under a chemical fume hood. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location. Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas.

Personal Protective Equipment**Eye/face Protection**

Wear appropriate protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles as described by OSHA's eye and face protection regulations in 29 CFR 1910.133 or European Standard

EN166.

Skin and body protection	Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.
Respiratory Protection	Follow the OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard EN 149. Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced.
Hygiene Measures	Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

9. Physical and chemical properties

Physical State	Solid
Appearance	Orange
Odor	Odorless
Odor Threshold	No information available
pH	4 (5%)
Melting Point/Range	398 °C / 748.4 °F
Boiling Point/Range	500 °C / 932 °F
Flash Point	No information available
Evaporation Rate	Not applicable
Flammability (solid,gas)	No information available
Flammability or explosive limits	
Upper	No data available
Lower	No data available
Vapor Pressure	No information available
Vapor Density	Not applicable
Specific Gravity	2.676
Solubility	Soluble
Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water	No data available
Autoignition Temperature	
Decomposition Temperature	> 500°C
Viscosity	Not applicable
Molecular Formula	Cr ₂ K ₂ O ₇
Molecular Weight	294.19

10. Stability and reactivity

Reactive Hazard	Yes
Stability	Oxidizer: Contact with combustible/organic material may cause fire.
Conditions to Avoid	Incompatible products. Excess heat. Combustible material. Avoid dust formation.
Incompatible Materials	Strong oxidizing agents, Reducing Agent, Acids, Strong bases, Acid anhydrides, Strong reducing agents, Combustible material
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Chromium oxide
Hazardous Polymerization	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
Hazardous Reactions	None under normal processing.

11. Toxicological information

Acute Toxicity

Product Information

Component Information

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Potassium dichromate	130 mg/kg (Rat)	1150 mg/kg (Rabbit)	0.09 mg/L/4h (Rat)

Toxicologically Synergistic Products No information available

Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure

Irritation Causes burns by all exposure routes

Sensitization May cause sensitization by skin contact

Carcinogenicity The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen.

Component	CAS-No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Potassium dichromate	7778-50-9	Group 1	Known	A1	X	A1

IARC (International Agency for Research on Cancer)

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Group 1 - Carcinogenic to Humans

Group 2A - Probably Carcinogenic to Humans

Group 2B - Possibly Carcinogenic to Humans

NTP: (National Toxicity Program)

Known - Known Carcinogen

Reasonably Anticipated - Reasonably Anticipated to be a Human Carcinogen

NTP: (National Toxicity Program)

ACGIH: (American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists)

A1 - Known Human Carcinogen

A2 - Suspected Human Carcinogen

A3 - Animal Carcinogen

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Mexico - Occupational Exposure Limits - Carcinogens

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A1 - Confirmed Human Carcinogen

A2 - Suspected Human Carcinogen

A3 - Confirmed Animal Carcinogen

A4 - Not Classifiable as a Human Carcinogen

A5 - Not Suspected as a Human Carcinogen

Mutagenic Effects May cause heritable genetic damage

Reproductive Effects May impair fertility.

Developmental Effects Component substance is listed on California Proposition 65 as a developmental hazard.

Teratogenicity May cause harm to the unborn child.

STOT - single exposure Respiratory system

STOT - repeated exposure Respiratory system Liver Kidney Blood

Aspiration hazard No information available

Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated: Symptoms of allergic reaction may include rash, itching, swelling, trouble breathing, tingling of the hands and feet, dizziness, lightheadedness, chest pain, muscle pain or flushing: Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation

Endocrine Disruptor Information No information available

Other Adverse Effects The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.

12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity

Very toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system. The product contains following substances which are hazardous for the environment.

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Potassium dichromate	Not listed	LC50: 24.81 - 34.55 mg/L, 96h semi-static (Poecilia reticulata) LC50: 23 - 41.2 mg/L, 96h	Not listed	EC50: 1.4 mg/L 24h

		static (Poecilia reticulata) LC50: = 26 mg/L, 96h static (Morone saxatilis) LC50: 14 - 20.9 mg/L, 96h static (Pimephales promelas) LC50: > 139 mg/L, 96h static (Cyprinus carpio) LC50: 113.6 - 155.7 mg/L, 96h flow-through (Lepomis macrochirus) LC50: = 320 mg/L, 96h (Lepomis macrochirus) LC50: 65.6 - 137.6 mg/L, 96h static (Lepomis macrochirus) LC50: = 12.3 mg/L, 96h semi-static (Oncorhynchus mykiss) LC50: 21.209 - 30.046 mg/L, 96h semi-static (Oryzias latipes) LC50: 15.41 - 30.36 mg/L, 96h flow-through (Pimephales promelas)	
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Persistence and Degradability May persist based on information available.

Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation No information available.

Mobility Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its water solubility.

13. Disposal considerations

Waste Disposal Methods Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. Chemical waste generators must also consult local, regional, and national hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

14. Transport information

DOT

UN-No UN3087
Proper Shipping Name Oxidizing solid, toxic, n.o.s.
Technical Name Potassium dichromate
Hazard Class 5.1
Subsidiary Hazard Class 6.1
Packing Group II

TDG

UN-No UN3087
Proper Shipping Name Oxidizing solid, toxic, n.o.s.
Hazard Class 5.1
Subsidiary Hazard Class 6.1
Packing Group II

IATA

UN-No UN3087
Proper Shipping Name Oxidizing solid, toxic, n.o.s.
Hazard Class 5.1
Subsidiary Hazard Class 6.1
Packing Group II

IMDG/IMO

UN-No UN3087
Proper Shipping Name Oxidizing solid, toxic, n.o.s.
Hazard Class 5.1
Subsidiary Hazard Class 6.1

Packing Group II

15. Regulatory information

United States of America Inventory

Component	CAS-No	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active/Inactive	TSCA - EPA Regulatory Flags
Potassium dichromate	7778-50-9	X	ACTIVE	R

Legend:

TSCA - Toxic Substances Control Act, (40 CFR Part 710)

X - Listed

' - Not Listed

R - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 6 risk management rule under TSCA.

TSCA 12(b) - Notices of Export

Component	CAS-No	TSCA 12(b) - Notices of Export
Potassium dichromate	7778-50-9	Section 6

International Inventories

Canada (DSL/NDSL), Europe (EINECS/ELINCS/NLP), Philippines (PICCS), Japan (ENCS), Australia (AICS), China (IECSC), Korea (ECL).

Component	CAS-No	DSL	NDSL	EINECS	PICCS	ENCS	AICS	IECSC	KECL
Potassium dichromate	7778-50-9	X	-	231-906-6	X	X	X	X	KE-29094

U.S. Federal Regulations**SARA 313**

Component	CAS-No	Weight %	SARA 313 - Threshold Values %
Potassium dichromate	7778-50-9	>95	0.1

SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories See section 2 for more information**CWA (Clean Water Act)**

Component	CWA - Hazardous Substances	CWA - Reportable Quantities	CWA - Toxic Pollutants	CWA - Priority Pollutants
Potassium dichromate	X	10 lb	X	-

Clean Air Act

Component	HAPS Data	Class 1 Ozone Depletors	Class 2 Ozone Depletors
Potassium dichromate	X		-

OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration Not applicable

Component	Specifically Regulated Chemicals	Highly Hazardous Chemicals
Potassium dichromate	5 µg/m ³ TWA 2.5 µg/m ³ Action Level	-

CERCLA This material, as supplied, contains one or more substances regulated as a hazardous substance under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) (40 CFR 302)

Component	Hazardous Substances RQs	CERCLA EHS RQs
Potassium dichromate	10 lb	-

California Proposition 65 This product contains the following Proposition 65 chemicals.

Component	CAS-No	California Prop. 65	Prop 65 NSRL	Category
Potassium dichromate	7778-50-9	Carcinogen	0.001 µg/day	Developmental

		Developmental Female Reproductive Male Reproductive		Carcinogen
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U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations

Component	Massachusetts	New Jersey	Pennsylvania	Illinois	Rhode Island
Potassium dichromate	X	X	X	X	X

U.S. Department of Transportation

Reportable Quantity (RQ): Y
 DOT Marine Pollutant N
 DOT Severe Marine Pollutant N

U.S. Department of Homeland Security This product does not contain any DHS chemicals.

Other International Regulations

Mexico - Grade No information available

16. Other information

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