

SAFETY DATA SHEET

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This safety data sheet was created pursuant to the requirements of: Canada WHMIS 2015 which includes the amended Hazardous Products Act (HPA) and the Hazardous Products Regulation (HPR) - SOR 2022-272

1. Identification

Product Name Potassium ferricyanide

Cat No. : P232-500

CAS-No 13746-66-2
Synonyms Potassium prussiate; Everitt's salt; Prussiate of potash (Crystalline/Certified ACS)

Recommended Use Laboratory chemicals.
Uses advised against Food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use.

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company

Importer/Distributor
Fisher Scientific
112 Colonnade Road,
Ottawa, ON K2E 7L6,
Canada
Tel: 1-800-234-7437

Manufacturer

Fisher Scientific Company
One Reagent Lane
Fair Lawn, NJ 07410
Tel: (201) 796-7100

Emergency Telephone Number

CHEMTREC®, Inside the USA: 800-424-9300
CHEMTREC®, Outside the USA: 001-703-527-3887

2. Hazard(s) identification

Classification

WHMIS 2015 Classification This product is hazardous in accordance with the Canada Hazardous Products Act (HPA) and Hazardous Products Regulation (HPR), as amended (SOR/2022-272)

Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 2
Health Hazards Not Otherwise Classified	Category 1
Contact with acids liberates very toxic gas	

Label Elements

Signal Word

Danger

Hazard Statements

Causes serious eye irritation
Contact with acids liberates very toxic gas

**Precautionary Statements****Prevention**

Take any precaution to avoid mixing with acids
 Do not breathe dust/fumes/gas/mist/vapours/spray
 Wear respiratory protection
 Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling
 Wear eye/face protection

Response

IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing
 Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor
 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing

Disposal

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

Other Hazards

Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects
 Light sensitive

3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Potassium ferricyanide	13746-66-2	<=100

4. First-aid measures

General Advice	If symptoms persist, call a physician.
Eye Contact	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.
Skin Contact	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. If skin irritation persists, call a physician.
Inhalation	Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
Ingestion	Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
Most important symptoms/effects Notes to Physician	None reasonably foreseeable. Treat symptomatically

5. Fire-fighting measures

Unsuitable Extinguishing Media	No information available
Flash Point	Not applicable

Method -	No information available
Autoignition Temperature	No information available
Explosion Limits	
Upper	No data available
Lower	No data available
Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact	No information available
Sensitivity to Static Discharge	No information available

Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

Hazardous Combustion Products

Potassium oxides. Hydrogen cyanide (hydrocyanic acid). Carbon oxides. Nitrogen oxides (NOx).

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.

NFPA

Health	Flammability	Instability	Physical hazards
4	0	0	N/A

6. Accidental release measures

Personal Precautions	Use personal protective equipment as required. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid dust formation.
Environmental Precautions	Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system.
Methods for Containment and Clean Up	Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

7. Handling and storage

Handling	Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid dust formation. Avoid ingestion and inhalation. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing.
Storage.	Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Protect from direct sunlight. Incompatible Materials. Strong oxidizing agents. Acids.

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

Component	Alberta	British Columbia	Ontario TWAEV	Quebec
Potassium ferricyanide	TWA: 1 mg/m ³	TWA: 1 mg/m ³ STEL: 2 mg/m ³	TWA: 1 mg/m ³	TWA: 1.0 mg/m ³ Ceiling: 10 ppm Ceiling: 11 mg/m ³ Skin

Component	Manitoba	New Brunswick	Newfoundland and Labrador	Nova Scotia
Potassium ferricyanide		TWA: 1 mg/m ³	TWA: 1 mg/m ³	TWA: 1 mg/m ³

Component	Nunavut	Prince Edward Island	Saskatchewan	Yukon
Potassium ferricyanide	TWA: 1 mg/m ³ STEL: 3 mg/m ³	TWA: 1 mg/m ³	TWA: 1 mg/m ³ STEL: 3 mg/m ³	TWA: 1 mg/m ³ TWA: 5 mg/m ³ STEL: 2 mg/m ³ STEL: 5 mg/m ³ Skin

Component	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH

Potassium ferricyanide 13746-66-2 (<=100)	TWA: 1 mg/m ³	(Vacated) TWA: 1 mg/m ³ (Vacated) TWA: 5 mg/m ³	IDLH: 25 mg/m ³ REL = 1 mg/m ³ (TWA)
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Legend

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration

NIOSH: NIOSH - National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

Engineering Measures

Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location. Wherever possible, engineering control measures such as the isolation or enclosure of the process, the introduction of process or equipment changes to minimise release or contact, and the use of properly designed ventilation systems, should be adopted to control hazardous materials at source

Personal protective equipment

Eye Protection

Goggles

Hand Protection

Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.

Glove material	Breakthrough time	Glove thickness	Glove comments
Natural rubber	See manufacturers recommendations	-	Splash protection only
Nitrile rubber			
Neoprene			
PVC			

Inspect gloves before use. observe the instructions regarding permeability and breakthrough time which are provided by the supplier of the gloves. (Refer to manufacturer/supplier for information) gloves are suitable for the task: Chemical compatability, Dexterity, Operational conditions, User susceptibility, e.g. sensitisation effects, also take into consideration the specific local conditions under which the product is used, such as the danger of cuts, abrasion. gloves with care avoiding skin contamination.

Respiratory Protection

No protective equipment is needed under normal use conditions.

Environmental exposure controls

Prevent product from entering drains. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system.

Hygiene Measures

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Keep away from food, drink and animal feeding stuffs. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Remove and wash contaminated clothing and gloves, including the inside, before re-use. Wash hands before breaks and after work.

9. Physical and chemical properties

Appearance

Physical State

Crystalline Solid

Color

Orange - Red

Odor

Odorless

Odor Threshold

No information available

Property

Values

Remarks

Method

Melting Point/Range

No data available

Softening Point

No data available

Boiling Point/Range

Not applicable

Flash Point

Not applicable

Method - No information available

Flammability (liquid)

Not applicable

Solid

Flammability (solid,gas)

No information available

Explosion Limits	No data available	
Autoignition Temperature	No data available	
Decomposition Temperature	> 200°C	
pH	~ 6	5% aq. sol
Viscosity	Not applicable	Solid
Water Solubility	464 g/L (20°C)	
Solubility in other solvents	No information available	
Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)		
Vapor Pressure	negligible	
Density / Specific Gravity	1.86 g/cm ³	@ 20 °C
Bulk Density	1.05 kg/m ³	
Vapor Density	Not applicable	Solid
Particle characteristics	No data available	
Other Information		
Molecular Formula	C ₆ Fe K ₃ N ₆	
Molecular Weight	329.26	
Evaporation Rate	Not applicable - Solid	

10. Stability and reactivity

Reactive Hazard	Yes
Stability	Stable under normal conditions. Sensitivity to light.
Conditions to Avoid	Avoid dust formation. Incompatible products. Excess heat. Exposure to light.
Incompatible Materials	Strong oxidizing agents, Acids
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Potassium oxides, Hydrogen cyanide (hydrocyanic acid), Carbon oxides, Nitrogen oxides (NO _x)
Hazardous Polymerization	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
Hazardous Reactions	Contact with acids liberates toxic gas.

11. Toxicological information

Information on expected route of exposure

Inhalation	Not an expected route of exposure.
Ingestion	May be harmful if swallowed.
Eyes	Avoid contact with eyes.
Skin	Avoid contact with skin. Harmful in contact with skin.

Toxicology data for the components

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Potassium ferricyanide	LD50 = 2,970 mg/kg (Mouse)	-	-

Toxicologically Synergistic Products No information available

(b) skin corrosion/irritation; No data available

(c) serious eye damage/irritation; Category 2

(d) respiratory or skin sensitization;

Respiratory No data available
Skin No data available

(e) germ cell mutagenicity; No data available

(f) carcinogenicity;

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

Component	CAS-No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Potassium ferricyanide	13746-66-2	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

(g) reproductive toxicity; No data available

(h) STOT-single exposure; No data available

(i) STOT-repeated exposure; No data available

Target Organs None known.

(j) aspiration hazard; Not applicable
Solid

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

Symptoms / effects,both acute and delayed No information available.

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Endocrine Disrupting Properties This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors.

12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity

Toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment. The product contains following substances which are hazardous for the environment.

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Potassium ferricyanide	Not listed	Onchorhynchus mykiss: LC50: 869 mg/L/96	Not listed	Daphnia magna: EC50: 549 mg/L/48h

Persistence and Degradability Persistence is unlikely Soluble in water 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 UN3077
Proper Shipping Name ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S.
Technical Shipping Name (POTASSIUM HEXACYANOFERRATE(III))

Hazard Class 9
Packing Group III

TDG

UN-No UN3077
Proper Shipping Name ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S.
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Hazard Class 9
Packing Group III

IATA

UN-No UN3077
Proper Shipping Name ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S.
Technical Shipping Name (POTASSIUM HEXACYANOFERRATE(III))

Hazard Class 9
Packing Group III

IMDG/IMO

UN-No UN3077
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Technical Shipping Name (POTASSIUM HEXACYANOFERRATE(III))

Hazard Class 9
Packing Group III

15. Regulatory information

International Inventories

Component	CAS-No	DSL	NDSL	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP
Potassium ferricyanide	13746-66-2	X	-	X	ACTIVE	237-323-3	-	-

Component	CAS-No	IECSC	KECL	ENCS	ISHL	TCSI	AICS	NZIoC	PICCS
Potassium ferricyanide	13746-66-2	X	KE-34764	X	X	X	X	X	X

Legend:

X - Listed '-' - Not listed

KECL - NIER number or KE number (<http://ncis.nier.go.kr/en/main.do>)**DSL/NDSL** - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List**TSCA** - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory**EINECS/ELINCS** - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances/EU List of Notified Chemical Substances**IECSC** - Chinese Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances**KECL** - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances**ENCS** - Japanese Existing and New Chemical Substances**AICS** - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances**PICCS** - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances**Canada**

SDS in compliance with provisions of information as set out in Canadian Standard - Part 4, Schedule 1 and 2 of the Hazardous Products Regulations (HPR) and its amendments and meets the requirements of the HPR (Paragraph 13(1)(a) of the revised Hazardous Products Act (HPA)).

Component	Canada - National Pollutant Release Inventory (NPRI)	Canadian Environmental Protection Agency (CEPA)	Canada's Chemicals Management Plan (CEPA)

Potassium ferricyanide	Part 1, Group A Substance	- List of Toxic Substances	
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Legend NPRI - National Pollutant Release Inventory

Other International Regulations

Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH Not applicable

Contains component(s) that meet a 'definition' of per & poly fluoroalkyl substance (PFAS)?

Not applicable

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

Component	CAS-No	OECD HPV	Persistent Organic Pollutant	Ozone Depletion Potential	Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS)
Potassium ferricyanide	13746-66-2	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

Component	CAS-No	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Major Accident Notification	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Safety Report Requirements	Rotterdam Convention (PIC)	Basel Convention (Hazardous Waste)
Potassium ferricyanide	13746-66-2	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Annex I - Y33

16. Other information

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