

SAFETY DATA SHEET

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1. Identification

Product Name Potassium Hydroxide Solution 0.5N and 1N in Methanol

Cat No. : DW806181, DW806184, SP220-1, SP222-1, SP222-20

Synonyms None

Recommended Use Laboratory chemicals.
Uses advised against Not for food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company

Importer/Distributor
Fisher Scientific
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Fair Lawn, NJ 07410
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Emergency Telephone Number

CHEMTREC®, Inside the USA: 800-424-9300
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2. Hazard(s) identification

Classification

WHMIS 2015 Classification Classified as hazardous under the Hazardous Products Regulations (SOR/2015-17)

Flammable liquids	Category 2
Acute oral toxicity	Category 3
Acute dermal toxicity	Category 3
Acute Inhalation Toxicity	Category 3
Skin Corrosion/Irritation	Category 1 A
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 1
Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)	Category 1
Target Organs - Central nervous system (CNS), Optic nerve.	
Specific target organ toxicity - (repeated exposure)	Category 1
Target Organs - Liver, Kidney.	

Label Elements

Signal Word
Danger

Hazard Statements

Highly flammable liquid and vapor
Toxic if swallowed, in contact with skin or if inhaled
Causes severe skin burns and eye damage

May cause drowsiness and dizziness
Causes damage to organs



Precautionary Statements

Prevention

Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking
Keep container tightly closed
Ground/bond container and receiving equipment
Use only non-sparking tools
Take precautionary measures against static discharges
Do not breathe dust/fumes/gas/mist/vapours/spray
Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling
Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product
Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area
Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection

Response

IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ shower
IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing
IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing
Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor
Rinse mouth
Do NOT induce vomiting
Wash contaminated clothing before reuse
In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam to extinguish

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

Other Hazards

Poison, may be fatal or cause blindness if swallowed
May cause pulmonary edema

3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Methyl alcohol	67-56-1	92.5 - 99.3
Potassium hydroxide	1310-58-3	0.75 - 7.5
Water	7732-18-5	0.6 - 6

4. First-aid measures

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	Move to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. 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/effects	Breathing difficulties. Causes burns by all exposure routes. Inhalation of high vapor concentrations may cause symptoms like headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting: Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated: Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation
Notes to Physician	Treat symptomatically

5. Fire-fighting measures

Unsuitable Extinguishing Media	No information available
Flash Point	11.1 °C / 51.98 °F
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

Keep product and empty container away from heat and sources of ignition.

Hazardous Combustion Products

Carbon monoxide (CO) Carbon dioxide (CO₂) Potassium oxides Formaldehyde

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
3	3	0	N/A

6. Accidental release measures

Personal Precautions	Remove all sources of ignition. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Use personal protective equipment. Ensure adequate ventilation. Take precautionary measures against static discharges. Avoid contact with the skin and the eyes.
Environmental Precautions	See Section 12 for additional ecological information.
Methods for Containment and Clean Up	Remove all sources of ignition. Take precautionary measures against static discharges. Use spark-proof tools and explosion-proof equipment. Prevent product from entering drains. Soak up with inert absorbent material. Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.

7. Handling and storage

Handling	Use only under a chemical fume hood. Wear personal protective equipment. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition. Take precautionary measures against static discharges. Use spark-proof tools and explosion-proof equipment. Avoid
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contact with skin, eyes and clothing.

Storage

Flammables area. Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition.

8. Exposure controls / personal protection

Exposure Guidelines

This product does not contain any hazardous materials with occupational exposure limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies.

Component	Alberta	British Columbia	Ontario TWAEV	Quebec	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH IDLH
Methyl alcohol	TWA: 200 ppm TWA: 262 mg/m ³ STEL: 250 ppm STEL: 328 mg/m ³ Skin	TWA: 200 ppm STEL: 250 ppm Skin	TWA: 200 ppm STEL: 250 ppm Skin	TWA: 200 ppm TWA: 262 mg/m ³ STEL: 250 ppm STEL: 328 mg/m ³ Skin	TWA: 200 ppm STEL: 250 ppm Skin	(Vacated) TWA: 200 ppm (Vacated) TWA: 260 mg/m ³ (Vacated) STEL: 250 ppm (Vacated) STEL: 325 mg/m ³ Skin TWA: 200 ppm TWA: 260 mg/m ³	IDLH: 6000 ppm TWA: 200 ppm TWA: 260 mg/m ³ STEL: 250 ppm STEL: 325 mg/m ³
Potassium hydroxide	Ceiling: 2 mg/m ³	Ceiling: 2 mg/m ³	CEV: 2 mg/m ³	Ceiling: 2 mg/m ³	Ceiling: 2 mg/m ³	(Vacated) Ceiling: 2 mg/m ³	Ceiling: 2 mg/m ³

Legend

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

NIOSH IDLH: The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health

Engineering Measures

Use only under a chemical fume hood. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location. Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting/equipment.

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

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.

Hand Protection

Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.

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

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

When workers are facing concentrations above the exposure limit they must use appropriate certified respirators. 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. To protect the wearer, respiratory protective equipment must be the correct fit and be used and maintained properly

When RPE is used a face piece Fit Test should be conducted

Environmental exposure controls

No information available.

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 before re-use. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

9. Physical and chemical properties

Physical State	Liquid
Appearance	Colorless
Odor	Alcohol-like
Odor Threshold	No information available
pH	No information available
Melting Point/Range	-100 °C / -148.00 °F
Boiling Point/Range	66.1 °C / 150.98 °F
Flash Point	11.1 °C / 51.98 °F
Evaporation Rate	No information available
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	No information available
Specific Gravity	0.8
Solubility	Soluble in water
Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water	No data available
Autoignition Temperature	No information available
Decomposition Temperature	No information available
Viscosity	No information available

10. Stability and reactivity

Reactive Hazard	None known, based on information available
Stability	Stable under recommended storage conditions.
Conditions to Avoid	Heat, flames and sparks. Incompatible products.
Incompatible Materials	Acids, Metals
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO ₂), Potassium oxides, Formaldehyde
Hazardous Polymerization	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
Hazardous Reactions	None under normal processing.

11. Toxicological information

Acute Toxicity

Component Information

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Methyl alcohol	Calc. ATE 60 mg/kg LD50 > 1187 – 2769 mg/kg (Rat)	Calc. ATE 60 mg/kg LD50 = 17100 mg/kg (Rabbit)	Calc. ATE 0.6 mg/L (vapours) or 0.5 mg/L (mists) LC50 = 128.2 mg/L (Rat) 4 h
Potassium hydroxide	LD50 = 284 mg/kg (Rat)	Not listed	Not listed

Water	-	Not listed	Not listed
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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 No information available

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

Component	CAS-No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Methyl alcohol	67-56-1	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed
Potassium hydroxide	1310-58-3	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed
Water	7732-18-5	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

Mutagenic Effects No information available

Reproductive Effects Experiments have shown reproductive toxicity effects on laboratory animals.

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

Teratogenicity No information available.

STOT - single exposure Central nervous system (CNS) Optic nerve

STOT - repeated exposure Liver Kidney

Aspiration hazard No information available

Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed Inhalation of high vapor concentrations may cause symptoms like headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting: Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated: 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

Do not empty into drains.

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Methyl alcohol	Not listed	Pimephales promelas: LC50 > 10000 mg/L 96h	EC50 = 39000 mg/L 25 min EC50 = 40000 mg/L 15 min EC50 = 43000 mg/L 5 min	EC50 > 10000 mg/L 24h
Potassium hydroxide	Not listed	LC50: = 80 mg/L, 96h static (Gambusia affinis)	Not listed	Not listed

Persistence and Degradability No information available

Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation No information available.

Mobility No information available.

Component	log Pow
Methyl alcohol	-0.74
Potassium hydroxide	0.83

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.

Component	RCRA - U Series Wastes	RCRA - P Series Wastes
Methyl alcohol - 67-56-1	U154	-

14. Transport information

DOT

UN-No UN2924
 Proper Shipping Name FLAMMABLE LIQUIDS, CORROSIVE, N.O.S.
 Proper technical name (METHANOL, POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE)
 Hazard Class 3
 Subsidiary Hazard Class 8
 Packing Group II

TDG

UN-No UN2924
 Proper Shipping Name FLAMMABLE LIQUIDS, CORROSIVE, N.O.S.
 Hazard Class 3
 Subsidiary Hazard Class 8
 Packing Group II

IATA

UN-No UN2924
 Proper Shipping Name FLAMMABLE LIQUIDS, CORROSIVE, N.O.S.
 Hazard Class 3
 Subsidiary Hazard Class 8
 Packing Group II

IMDG/IMO

UN-No UN2924
 Proper Shipping Name FLAMMABLE LIQUIDS, CORROSIVE, N.O.S.
 Hazard Class 3
 Subsidiary Hazard Class 8
 Packing Group II

15. Regulatory information

International Inventories

Component	DSL	NDSL	TSCA	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	PICCS	ENCS	AICS	IECSC	KECL
Methyl alcohol	X	-	X	200-659-6	-		X	X	X	X	X
Potassium hydroxide	X	-	X	215-181-3	-		X	X	X	X	X
Water	X	-	X	231-791-2	-		X	-	X	X	X

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 meets the requirements of the HPR (Paragraph 13(1)(a) of the Hazardous Products Act (HPA)).

Component	Canada - National Pollutant Release Inventory (NPRI)	Canadian Environmental Protection Agency (CEPA) - List of Toxic Substances	Canada's Chemicals Management Plan (CEPA)
Methyl alcohol	Part 1, Group A Substance Part 5, Individual Substances		

16. Other information

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