

**SECTION 1) CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND SUPPLIER'S IDENTIFICATION**

**CAS Number:** 1310-58-3  
**Product Name:** Potassium Hydroxide 90%  
**Revision Date:** Oct 12, 2022 **Date Printed:** Jan 19, 2023  
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**Manufacturer's Name:** Thames River Chemical Corp.  
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**Product/Recommended Uses:** For laboratory or industrial use only

**SECTION 2) HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION****Classification**

Acute aquatic toxicity - Category 3  
Acute toxicity Oral - Category 4  
Corrosive to metals - Category 1  
Serious Eye Damage - Category 1  
Skin Corrosion - Category 1A

Safety data sheet prepared in accordance to the United States Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200) and the Canadian Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (WHMIS).

**Pictograms****Signal Word**

Danger

**Hazardous Statements - Health**

H302 - Harmful if swallowed  
H314 - Causes severe skin burns and eye damage

**Hazardous Statements - Physical**

H290 - May be corrosive to metals

**Hazardous Statements - Environmental**

H402 - Harmful to aquatic life

**Precautionary Statements - General**

P101 - If medical advice is needed, have product container or label at hand.  
P102 - Keep out of reach of children.  
P103 - Read label before use.

**Precautionary Statements - Prevention**

- P273 - Avoid release to the environment.
- P264 - Wash/Wash hands thoroughly after handling.
- P270 - Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
- P234 - Keep only in original packaging.
- P280 - Wear protective gloves, protective clothing, eye protection/face protection.
- P260 - Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray.

### Precautionary Statements - Response

- P301 + P312 - IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor, if you feel unwell.
- P330 - Rinse mouth.
- P390 - Absorb spillage to prevent material damage.
- P305 + P351 + P338 - IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
- P310 - Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor.
- P301 + P330 + P331 - IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.
- P303 + P361 + P353 - IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water or shower.
- P363 - Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.
- P304 + P340 - IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.
- P321 - Specific treatment (see first-aid on the SDS).

### Precautionary Statements - Storage

- P406 - Store in a corrosive resistant container with a resistant inner liner.
- P405 - Store locked up.

### Precautionary Statements - Disposal

- P501 - Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/national/international regulation. Waste management should be in full compliance with national, regional and local laws.

## SECTION 3) COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

| CAS          | Chemical Name       | % By Weight |
|--------------|---------------------|-------------|
| 0001310-58-3 | POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE | 100%        |

## SECTION 4) FIRST-AID MEASURES

### Inhalation

Remove source of exposure or move person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. If breathing is difficult, trained personnel should administer emergency oxygen if advised to do so by the POISON CENTER/doctor. Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor.

### Eye Contact

Rinse eyes cautiously with lukewarm, gently flowing water for several minutes, while holding the eyelids open. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing for a duration of 30 minutes or until medical aid is available. Take care not to rinse contaminated water into the unaffected eye or onto the face. Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor.

### Skin Contact

Take off immediately all contaminated clothing, shoes and leather goods (e.g. watchbands, belts). Rinse skin with lukewarm, gently flowing water/shower for a duration of 30 minutes or until medical aid is available. Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor. Wash contaminated clothing before re-use or discard.

### Ingestion

Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting. Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor. If vomiting occurs naturally, lie on your side, in the recovery position.

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

No data available.

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

Treat according to symptoms (decontamination, vital functions), no known specific antidote. Treatment should be supportive and based on the judgement of the physician in response to the reaction of the patient.

## SECTION 5) FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

### Suitable Extinguishing Media

Small Fire : Dry chemical, foam, carbon dioxide, water-spray or alcohol-resistant foam. Carbon dioxide can displace oxygen. Use caution when applying carbon dioxide in confined spaces. Large Fire : Water spray, fog or alcohol-resistant foam.

### Unsuitable Extinguishing Media

Do not use straight stream of water.

### Specific Hazards in Case of Fire

Runoff may pollute waterways Fire will produce irritating and corrosive gases. Containers may explode in fire.

### Fire-fighting Procedures

Isolate immediate hazard area and keep unauthorized personnel out. Stop spill/release if it can be done safely. Move undamaged containers from immediate hazard area if it can be done safely. Cool containers with flooding quantities of water until well after fire is out. Caution should be exercised when using water or foam as frothing may occur, especially if sprayed into containers of hot, burning liquid. Dispose of fire debris and contaminated extinguishing water in accordance with official regulations.

### Special Protective Actions

Wear protective pressure self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) and full turnout gear.

## SECTION 6) ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

### Emergency Procedure

Stay uphill and/or upstream. Ventilate closed spaces before entering. Do not touch damaged containers or spilled materials unless wearing appropriate protective clothing. Evacuate and isolate hazard area and keep unauthorized personnel away.

### Recommended Equipment

Wear chemical protective clothing and positive pressure self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA). Wear liquid tight chemical protective clothing in combination with positive pressure self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA).

### Personal Precautions

Avoid breathing vapor or mist. Do not get on skin, eyes or clothing.

### Environmental Precautions

Stop spill/release if it can be done safely. Prevent spilled material from entering sewers, storm drains, other unauthorized drainage systems and natural waterways by using sand, earth, or other appropriate barriers. Inform the relevant authorities if the product has caused environmental pollution (sewers, waterways, soil or air).

### Methods and Materials for Containment and Cleaning up

Absorb Liquids in vermiculite, dry sand, earth, or similar inert material and deposit in sealed containers for disposal. Ventilate area after clean-up is complete.

## SECTION 7) HANDLING AND STORAGE

## General

Wash hands after use. Use good personal hygiene practices. Eating, drinking and smoking in work areas is prohibited. Remove contaminated clothing and protective equipment before entering eating areas. All containers must be properly labelled. Eyewash stations and showers should be available in areas where this material is used and stored. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Do not breathe vapor or mist.

## Ventilation Requirements

Use only with adequate ventilation to control air contaminants to their exposure limits. The use of local ventilation is recommended to control emissions near the source. Report ventilation failures immediately.

## Storage Room Requirements

Store in a cool, dry, well ventilated area, away from sources of ignition and incompatibilities. Keep containers securely sealed when not in use. Containers that have been opened must be carefully resealed to prevent leakage. Indoor storage should meet OSHA standards and appropriate fire codes. Empty containers retain residue and may be dangerous. Store in approved containers and protect against physical damage.

## SECTION 8) EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

### Eye protection

Wear eye protection with side shields or goggles. Wear indirect-vent, impact and splash resistant goggles when working with liquids.

### Skin Protection

Use of gloves approved to relevant standards made from the following materials may provide suitable chemical protection: PVC, neoprene or nitrile rubber gloves. Suitability and durability of a glove is dependent on usage, e.g. frequency and duration of contact, chemical resistance of glove material, glove thickness, dexterity. Always seek advice from glove suppliers. Contaminated gloves should be replaced. Use of an apron and over-boots of chemically impervious materials such as neoprene or nitrile rubber. Launder soiled clothes or properly disposed of contaminated material, which cannot be decontaminated.

### Respiratory protection

If engineering controls do not maintain airborne concentrations to a level which is adequate to protect worker, a respiratory protection program that meets or is equivalent to OSHA 29 CFR 1910.134 should be followed. Check with respiratory protective equipment suppliers.

### Appropriate Engineering Controls

Provide exhaust ventilation or other engineering controls to keep the airborne concentrations of vapors below their respective threshold limit value.

| Chemical Name       | CAN_ONsmg | CAN_ONtmg | CAN_ONsppm | CAN_ONtppm | CAN_QCVEMP ppm - CANADA_QUE BEC VALEUR D'EXPOSITION MOYENNE PONDÉRÉE_p pm | CAN_QCVEMP mg - CANADA_QUE BEC VALEUR D'EXPOSITION MOYENNE PONDÉRÉE_m g | CAN_QCVECD ppm - CANADA_QUE BEC VALEUR D'EXPOSITION DE COURTE DURÉE_ppm | CAN_QCVECD mg - CANADA_QUE BEC VALEUR D'EXPOSITION DE COURTE DURÉE_mg |
|---------------------|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|---|---|---|---|
| POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE |           |           |            |            |   |   |   | C2  |

| Chemical Name       | CAN_ALtppm | CAN_ALtmg | CAN_ALsmg | CAN_AL_Notat ion   | CAN_AL_Carci nogen | CAN_ALsppm | CANsmg | CANsppm |
|---------------------|------------|-----------|-----------|--|--------------------|------------|--------|---------|
| POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE |            |           | (c) 2     | 3: Occupational exposure limit is based on irritation effects and its adjustment to compensate for unusual work schedules is not required. |                    |            |        |         |

| Chemical Name       | CANtmg | CANtppm | OSHA STEL (mg/m3) | OSHA STEL (ppm) | OSHA TWA (mg/m3) | OSHA TWA (ppm) | OSHA Carcinogen | OSHA Tables (Z1, Z2, Z3) |
|---------------------|--------|---------|-------------------|-----------------|------------------|----------------|-----------------|--------------------------|
| POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE |        |         |                   |                 |                  |                |                 |                          |

| Chemical Name       | OSHA Skin designation | ACGIH STEL (mg/m3) | ACGIH STEL (ppm) | ACGIH TWA (mg/m3) | ACGIH TWA (ppm) | ACGIH TLV Basis      | ACGIH Carcinogen | ACGIH Notations |
|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|----------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE |                       | C 2                |                  |                   |                 | URT, eye, & skin irr |                  |                 |

(C) - Ceiling limit, irr - Irritation, URT - Upper respiratory tract

## SECTION 9) PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

|                        |                  |
|------------------------|------------------|
| Density                | N/A lb/gal       |
| Specific Gravity       | 2.00             |
| Appearance             | Solid flakes     |
| Odor Description       | N/A              |
| Odor Threshold         | N/A              |
| pH                     | N/A              |
| Melting/Freezing Point | 360.00 °C        |
| Low Boiling Point      | N/A              |
| High Boiling Point     | N/A              |
| Flash Point            | N/A              |
| Vapor Pressure         | N/A              |
| Vapor Density          | N/A              |
| Evaporation Rate       | N/A              |
| Upper Explosion Level  | N/A              |
| Lower Explosion Level  | N/A              |
| Water Solubility       | Soluble in water |
| Coefficient Water/Oil  | N/A              |
| Viscosity              | N/A              |

## SECTION 10) STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### Stability

Stable under normal storage and handling conditions.

### Conditions To Avoid

Avoid heat, sparks, flame, high temperature and contact with incompatible materials.

### Hazardous Reactions/Polymerization

Will not occur.

### Incompatible Materials

Strong bases, acids, and oxidizing agents. Corrosive in contact with metals.

**Hazardous Decomposition Products**

Oxides of carbon.

**SECTION 11) TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION****Acute Toxicity**

Harmful if swallowed

The Acute Toxicity Estimate (ATE) for an oral exposure to this mixture is 500 mg/kg body weight

The Acute Toxicity Estimate (ATE) for a dermal exposure to this mixture is >5000 mg/kg body weight

The Acute Toxicity Estimate (ATE) for an inhalation (vapour) exposure to this mixture is >20 mg/l

**Aspiration Hazard**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

**Carcinogenicity**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

**Germ Cell Mutagenicity**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

**Reproductive Toxicity**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

**Respiratory/Skin Sensitization**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

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May cause a skin allergy.

**Serious Eye Damage/Irritation**

Causes serious eye damage

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Contact can severely irritate and burn the eyes leading to eye damage.

**Skin Corrosion/Irritation**

Causes severe skin burns and eye damage

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Contact can severely irritate and burn the skin.

**Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Repeated Exposure**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

**Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Single Exposure**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

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Exposure can cause headache, dizziness, nausea and vomiting.

**Likely Routes of Exposure**

Inhalation, Ingestion, Skin contact, Eye contact

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LD50 (oral, rat): 365 mg/kg (7)  
 LD50 (oral, male rat): 273 mg/kg (8)

## SECTION 12) ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Toxicity

Harmful to aquatic life

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LC50(Fish - Gambusia Affinis , 96 hrs ) : 80 mg/L

### Persistence and Degradability

No data available.

### Bioaccumulative Potential

No data available.

### Mobility in Soil

No data available.

### Other Adverse Effects

No data available.

## SECTION 13) DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

### Waste Disposal

It is the responsibility of the user of the product to determine at the time of disposal whether the product meets local criteria for hazardous waste. Waste management should be in full compliance with national, state and local laws. Empty Containers retain product residue which may exhibit hazards of material, therefore do not pressurize, cut, glaze, weld or use for any other purposes.

## SECTION 14) TRANSPORT INFORMATION

|                                  | Transport Canada Information | U.S. DOT Information       |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>UN number:</b>                | UN1813                       | UN1813                     |
| <b>Proper shipping name:</b>     | Potassium hydroxide, solid   | Potassium hydroxide, solid |
| <b>Hazard class:</b>             | 8                            | 8                          |
| <b>Packaging group:</b>          | I                            | I                          |
| <b>Hazardous substance (RQ):</b> | No Data Available            | No Data Available          |
| <b>Marine Pollutant:</b>         | No Data Available            | No Data Available          |
| <b>Note / Special Provision:</b> | No Data Available            | No Data Available          |
| <b>Toxic-Inhalation Hazard:</b>  | No Data Available            | No Data Available          |

## SECTION 15) REGULATORY INFORMATION

| CAS          | Chemical Name       | % By Weight | Regulation List  |
|--------------|---------------------|-------------|--|
| 0001310-58-3 | POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE | 100%        | DSL, TSCA, AICS, CN_IECSC - Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances Produced or Imported in China, EU_EINECS - European_EC_Inventory_EINECS, EU_EC_Inventory - European_EC_Inventory, PH_PICCS - Philippines, The Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances, KR_KECI - Korean Existing Chemicals Inventory |

## SECTION 16) OTHER INFORMATION

### Glossary

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists; CAS - Chemical Abstracts Service ; Chemtrec - Chemical Transportation Emergency Center; DSL - Domestic Substances List; ESL- Effects screening levels; GHS - "Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals" developed by the United Nations; HMIS - Hazardous Material Information Service; IATA - Dangerous Goods Regulations (DGR) for the air transport (IATA); IMDG - International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code; LC - Lethal Concentration; LD - Lethal Dose; NFPA - National Fire Protection Association; OEL - Occupational Exposure Limits; OSHA- Occupational Safety and Health Administration, US Department of Labor; PEL - Permissible Exposure Limit; SARA 313 - Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act, Section 313; SCBA - Self Contained Breathing Apparatus; ppm - parts per million; STEL - Short-term exposure limit; TLV - Threshold Limit Value; TSCA - Toxic Substances Control Act Public Law 94-469; TWA - Time-weighted average; US DOT- US Department of Transportation.

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