



SAFETY DATA SHEET

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1. Identification

Product Name Potassium Carbonate Anhydrous
Cat No. : C6280, C6281, C6290
Synonyms Potash; Pearl ash; Dipotassium salt of carbonic acid
Recommended Use Laboratory chemicals
Uses advised against No Information available

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Emergency Telephone Number
Chemtrec US: (800) 424-9300
Chemtrec EU: 001 (202) 483-7616

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Post Apple Scientific, inc.
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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)

Skin Corrosion/irritation	Category 2
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 2
Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)	Category 3
Target Organs - Respiratory system.	

Label Elements

Signal Word
Warning

Hazard Statements
Causes skin irritation
Causes serious eye irritation
May cause respiratory irritation



Precautionary Statements

Prevention

Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling
 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection
 Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray
 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area

Inhalation

IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing
 Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell

Skin

IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water
 If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention
 Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse

Eyes

IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing
 If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.

Storage

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

Disposal

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)

None identified

3. Composition / information on ingredients

Haz/Non-haz

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Potassium carbonate	584-08-7	>95

4. First-aid measures

Eye Contact	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Obtain medical attention.
Skin Contact	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Obtain medical attention.
Inhalation	Move to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Obtain medical attention.
Ingestion	Do not induce vomiting. Obtain medical attention.
Most important symptoms/effects	No information available
Notes to Physician	Treat symptomatically.

5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media	Substance is nonflammable; use agent most appropriate to extinguish surrounding fire..
Unsuitable Extinguishing Media	No information available.
Flash Point	No information available.
Method -	No information available.
Autoignition Temperature	Not applicable
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

Non-combustible, substance itself does not burn but may decompose upon heating to produce corrosive and/or toxic fumes.

Hazardous Combustion Products Potassium oxides., Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO₂).

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.

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Health	Flammability	Instability	Physical hazards
2	0	1	N/A

6. Accidental release measures

Personal Precautions	Use personal protective equipment. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid dust formation. Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing.
Environmental Precautions	Avoid release to the environment. See Section 12 for additional ecological Information.
Methods for Containment and Clean Up	Sweep up or vacuum up spillage and collect in suitable container for disposal. Avoid dust formation.

7. Handling and storage

Handling	Wear personal protective equipment. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid dust formation. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Do not breathe dust. Do not ingest.
Storage	Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place.

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.
Engineering Measures	Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.
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	Powder Solid
Appearance	White
Odor	odorless
Odor Threshold	No information available.
pH	11.5-12 50 g/l aq.sol.
Melting Point/Range	891°C / 1635.8°F
Boiling Point/Range	No information available.
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
Relative Density	2.43 @ 19°C
Solubility	No information available.
Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water	No data available
Autoignition Temperature	Not applicable
Decomposition temperature	No information available.
Viscosity	Not applicable
Molecular Formula	C K2 O3
Molecular Weight	138.21

10. Stability and reactivity

Reactive Hazard	None known, based on information available.
Stability	Stable under recommended storage conditions. Hygroscopic.
Conditions to Avoid	Avoid dust formation. Incompatible products. Exposure to moisture.
Incompatible Materials	Acids, Strong oxidizing agents
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Potassium oxides., Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO ₂)
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 carbonate	> 2000 mg/kg (Rat)	Not listed	Not listed

Toxicologically Synergistic Products No information available.

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

Irritation No information available.

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
Potassium carbonate	584-08-7	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

Mutagenic Effects Not mutagenic in AMES Test

Reproductive Effects No information available.

Developmental Effects No information available.

Teratogenicity No information available.

STOT - single exposure Respiratory system.

STOT - repeated exposure None known.

Aspiration hazard No information available.

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

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
Potassium carbonate	Not listed	LC50 <510 mg/L/96h (Pimephales promelas)	Not listed	Not listed

Persistence and Degradability Soluble in water, Persistence is unlikely, 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 Not regulated

TDG Not regulated

IATA Not regulated

14. Transport information

IMDG/IMO Not regulated

15. Regulatory information

International Inventories

Component	TSCA	DSL	NDSL	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	PICCS	ENCS	AICS	CHINA	KECL
Potassium carbonate	X	X	-	209-529-3	-		X	X	X	X	X

Legend:

X - Listed

E - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(e) Consent order under TSCA.

F - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(f) Rule under TSCA.

N - Indicates a polymeric substance containing no free-radical initiator in its inventory name but is considered to cover the designated polymer made with any free-radical initiator regardless of the amount used.

P - Indicates a commenced PMN substance

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

S - Indicates a substance that is identified in a proposed or final Significant New Use Rule

T - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 4 test rule under TSCA.

XU - Indicates a substance exempt from reporting under the Inventory Update Rule, i.e. Partial Updating of the TSCA Inventory Data Base Production and Site Reports (40 CFR 710(B)).

Y1 - Indicates an exempt polymer that has a number-average molecular weight of 1,000 or greater.

Y2 - Indicates an exempt polymer that is a polyester and is made only from reactants included in a specified list of low concern reactants that comprises one of the eligibility criteria for the exemption rule.

U.S. Federal Regulations

TSCA 12(b) Not applicable

SARA 313 Not applicable

SARA 311/312 Hazardous Categorization

Acute Health Hazard	Yes
Chronic Health Hazard	No
Fire Hazard	No
Sudden Release of Pressure Hazard	No
Reactive Hazard	No

Clean Water Act Not applicable

Clean Air Act Not applicable

OSHA Occupational Safety and Health Administration
Not applicable

CERCLA
Not Applicable

California Proposition 65 This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals.

State Right-to-Know Not applicable

U.S. Department of Transportation

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

U.S. Department of Homeland Security

This product does not contain any DHS chemicals.

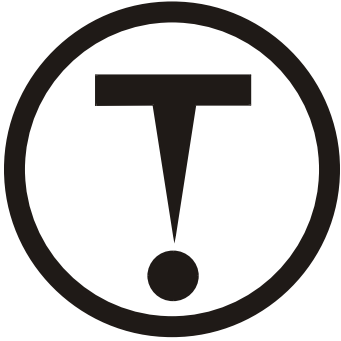
Other International Regulations

Mexico - Grade No information available

Canada

This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations (CPR) and the MSDS contains all the information required by the CPR.

WHMIS Hazard Class D2B Toxic materials



16. Other information

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