

SAFETY DATA SHEET

SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

1.1 Product identifiers

Product name Potassium Hydroxide, n-Butanol Solution

CAS number See section 3

Synonyms None

1.2 Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Identified uses Laboratory Chemicals

1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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1.4 Emergency telephone

Emergency Phone #	US & Canada: 1-800-535-5053	INFOTRAC
	International 1-352-323-3500	INFOTRAC


SECTION 2: Hazards identification

2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

GHS Classification in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)

Flammable Liquids Category 3
 Acute Oral Toxicity Category 4
 Corrosive to Metals Category 1
 Serious Corrosion/Irritation Category 1A
 Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation Category 1
 Specific Target Organ Toxicity (single exposure) Category 3
 Target Organs - Respiratory system, Central nervous system (CNS)

2.2 GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Pictogram	
Signal Word	Danger
Hazard statements	<p> Flammable liquid and vapor. Harmful if swallowed. Causes severe skin burns and eye damage. May be corrosive to metals. May cause respiratory irritation. May cause drowsiness or dizziness. </p>
Precautionary statements	<p>Prevention:</p> <p> Wash face, hands, and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink, or smoke when using this product. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection. Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray. Use only outdoors or in a well ventilated area. Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. No smoking. Keep container tightly closed. Ground/bond container and receiving equipment. Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting equipment. Use only non-sparking tools. Take precautionary measures against static discharge. Keep cool. Get medical attention/advice if you feel unwell. </p>

Response:

Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.

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

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

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

IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell. Do not induce vomiting.

Fire:

In case of fire, use CO₂, dry chemical, or foam for extinction.

Storage:

Store in a well-ventilated place.

Keep container tightly closed.

Store locked up.

Store in corrosive-resistant polypropylene container with a resistant liner.

Disposal:

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant.

2.3 Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC) or not covered by GHS

None identified.

SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

3.1 Components

Chemical name	Common name and synonyms	CAS number	Concentration
n-Butyl alcohol	n-butanol; n-butyl alcohol; butan-1-ol	71-36-3	> 98%
Potassium hydroxide	Potassium hydrate; Lye; Caustic potash	1310-58-3	1-1.3%

SECTION 4: First aid measures

4.1 Description of first-aid measures

General advice	Show this sheet to a doctor if medical advice is needed.
If inhaled	Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
In case of skin contact	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. If skin irritation persists, call a physician.
In case of eye contact	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.
If swallowed	Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water.

4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Difficulty in breathing. Symptoms or overexposure may be headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea, and vomiting. Causes burns by all exposure routes. 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.

4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Treat symptomatically.

SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

5.1 Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media Water spray, dry chemical, alcohol-resistant foam.

Unsuitable extinguishing media Carbon dioxide (CO₂).

5.2 Specific hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Flammable. Risk of ignition. Vapors may form explosive mixtures with air. Vapors may travel to source of ignition and flash back. Containers may explode when heated. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors. Keep product and empty container away from heat and sources of ignition. The product causes burns of eyes, skin, and mucous membranes. Hazardous Combustion Products: Potassium oxides.

5.3 Special 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.

5.4 Further information

Flash Point 35 °C / 95 °F

Autoignition Temperature 340 °C / 644 °F

Explosion limits

Upper 11.2 vol%

Lower 1.4 vol%

Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact No information available.

Sensitivity to Static Discharge No information available.

NFPA

Health	Flammability	Instability	Physical hazards
3	3	1	N/A

SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Use personal protective equipment as required. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Avoid contact with skin, eyes, or clothing.

6.2 Environmental precautions

Should not be released into the environment. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system. Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system.

6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Soak up with inert absorbent material. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

6.4 Reference to other sections

Refer to protective measures listed in Sections 7 and 8. See section 13 for proper disposal.

SECTION 7: Handling and storage

7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Ensure adequate ventilation. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Avoid ingestion and inhalation. If swallowed, seek immediate medical assistance.

Hygiene measures

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Storage conditions

Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool, and well-ventilated place. Keep away from heat, sparks, and flame. Flammables area.

Incompatibilities

Strong oxidizing agents. Reducing Agents. Acids. Acid Chlorides. Acid anhydrides. Metals. Copper. Copper alloys.

SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1 Occupational exposure limits

US. OSHA Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants (29 CFR 1910.1000)

Component	Type	Value
n-Butanol	Skin: Ceiling	50 ppm 150 mg/m3
	TWA	100 ppm 300 mg/m3
Potassium hydroxide	(Vacated) Ceiling	2 mg/m3

US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values

Component	Type	Value
n-Butanol	TWA	20 ppm
Potassium hydroxide	Ceiling	2 mg/m3

US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards

Component	Type	Value
n-Butanol	IDLH	1400 ppm
	Ceiling	50 ppm 150 mg/m3
Potassium hydroxide	Ceiling	2 mg/m3

Biological occupational exposure limits

No information available.

8.2 Exposure controls

Appropriate engineering controls

Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting equipment. 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 protection

Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.

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.

Control of environmental exposure

Do not let product enter drains.

SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Physical State	Liquid
Appearance	Colorless
Odor	Strong, alcohol-like
Odor Threshold	No information available
pH	No information available
Melting Point/Range	No information available
Boiling Point/Range	No information available
Evaporation Rate	No information available
Flammability (solid)	No information available
Flammability or explosive limit	
Upper	No information available
Lower	No information available
Vapor Pressure	No information available
Vapor Density	No information available
Density	No information available
Solubility	Slightly soluble in water
Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water	No information available
Autoignition Temp	No information available
Decomposition Temp	No information available
Viscosity	No information available
Molecular Formula	Mixture
Molecular Weight	Mixture
VOC Content(%)	No information available
Oxidizing properties	No information available

9.2 Other safety information

No information available.

SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

10.1 Reactivity

Known reactive hazard.

10.2 Chemical stability

Stable under normal conditions.

10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

None under normal processing.

10.4 Conditions to avoid

Keep away from open flame, hot surfaces, and sources of ignition.

10.5 Incompatible materials

Strong oxidizing agents. Reducing Agents. Acids. Acid Chlorides. Acid anhydrides. Metals. Copper. Copper alloys.

10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO₂), Potassium oxides.

SECTION 11: Toxicological information

11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Product Information, Component Information

Acute toxicity

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
n-Butanol	700 mg/kg (Rat)	3402 mg/kg (Rabbit)	8000 ppm (Rat)
Potassium hydroxide	333-384 mg/kg	-	-

Skin corrosion/irritation

Causes severe burns by all exposure routes.

Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Causes severe burns by all exposure routes.

Respiratory or skin sensitization

Irritating to respiratory system.

Germ cell mutagenicity

No information available.

Carcinogenicity

Component	CAS	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
n-Butanol	71-36-3	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed
Potassium hydroxide	1210-	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure

Respiratory system, Central Nervous System (CNS).

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure

None known.

Reproductive toxicity

No information available.

Chronic effects

No information available.

11.2 Additional Information

The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.

SECTION 12: Ecological information

12.1 Toxicity

Do not empty into drains. Large amounts will affect pH and harm aquatic organisms. Contains a substance which is harmful to aquatic organisms.

Component		Species	Test results
n-Butanol	EC50	<i>P. subcapitata</i>	225 mg/L 96 h
	EC50	<i>D. subspicatus</i>	500 mg/L 72 h
	EC50	<i>D. subspicatus</i>	500 mg/L 96 h
	LC50	<i>P. promelas</i>	1376 mg/L 92 h
	LC50	<i>P. promelas</i>	1740 mg/L 96 h
	LC50	<i>P. promelas</i>	1910000 µg/L 96 h
	LC50	<i>P. promelas</i>	1730-1910 mg/L 96 h
	EC50	Microtox	2014.4 mg/L 5 min
	EC50	Microtox	2186 mg/L 30 min
	EC50	Microtox	3980 mg/L 24 h
	EC50	Microtox	4400 mg/L 17 h
	EC50	<i>Daphnia magna</i>	1328 mg/L 48 h
	EC50	<i>Daphnia magna</i>	1897-2072 mg/L 48 h
	EC50	<i>Daphnia magna</i>	1983 mg/L 48 h

12.2 Persistence and degradability

Soluble in water. Persistence is unlikely based on information available.

12.3 Bio accumulative potential

No information available.

12.4 Mobility in soil

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

12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

No information available.

12.6 Endocrine disrupting properties

No information available.

12.7 Other adverse effects

No information available.

SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

13.1 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.

SECTION 14: Transport information

DOT (US)

UN Number	UN1120
Proper Shipping name	Butanol Solution
Hazard Class	3
Packaging Group	III

IMDG

UN Number	UN1120
Proper Shipping name	Butanol Solution
Hazard Class	3
Packaging Group	III

IATA

UN Number	UN1120
Proper Shipping name	Butanol Solution
Hazard Class	3
Packaging Group	III

SECTION 15: Regulatory information

US federal regulations

TSCA Section 12(b) Export Notification (40 CFR 707, Subpt. D)

Not listed/applicable.

CERCLA Hazardous Substance List (40 CFR 302.4)

Listed, n-Butyl alcohol (CAS #71-36-3), RQ: 5000 lb.

Listed, Potassium hydroxide (CAS #1310-58-3), RQ: 1000 lb.

SARA 304 Emergency release notification

Not listed/applicable.

OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1053)

Not listed/applicable.

Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA)

SARA 302 Extremely hazardous substance

Not listed/applicable.

SARA 311/312 Hazardous

See Section 2 for more information.

SARA 313 (TRI reporting)

Listed, n-Butyl alcohol (CAS #71-36-3).

Other federal regulations

Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112 Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs) List

Not listed/applicable.

Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112(r) Accidental Release Prevention (40 CFR 68.130)

Not listed/applicable.

Safe Drinking Water Act

Listed, Potassium hydroxide (CAS #1310-58-3), RQ: 1000 lb.

FEMA Priority Substances Respiratory Health and Safety in the Flavor Manufacturing Workplace

Listed, n-Butyl alcohol (CAS #71-36-3).

US state regulations

US. Massachusetts RTK - Substance List

Listed, n-Butyl alcohol (CAS #71-36-3).

Listed, Potassium hydroxide (CAS #1310-58-3), RQ: 1000 lb.

US. New Jersey Worker and Community Right-to-Know Act

Listed, n-Butyl alcohol (CAS #71-36-3).

Listed, Potassium hydroxide (CAS #1310-58-3), RQ: 1000 lb.

US. Pennsylvania Worker and Community Right-to-Know Law

Listed, n-Butyl alcohol (CAS #71-36-3).

Listed, Potassium hydroxide (CAS #1310-58-3), RQ: 1000 lb.

California Proposition 65

Not listed.

SECTION 16: Other information

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SECTION 17: Disclaimer

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