

Safety Data Sheet

according to UK REACH Regulation

Potassium Hydroxide Solution 40 %

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Pictograms:



Hazard statements

- H302 Harmful if swallowed.
H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
H318 Causes serious eye damage.

Precautionary statements

- P234 Keep only in original packaging.
P260 Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.
P264 Wash ... thoroughly after handling.
P270 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection/hearing protection.
P301+P330+P331 IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.
P312 Call a POISON CENTER/doctor if you feel unwell.
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.
P310 Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor.
P321 Specific treatment (see ... on this label).
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/doctor.
P390 Absorb spillage to prevent material damage.
P405 Store locked up.
P406 Store in a corrosion-resistant container with a resistant inner liner.
P501 Dispose of contents/container to local/regional/national/international regulations.

2.3. Other hazards

The substances in the mixture do not meet the PBT/vPvB criteria according to REACH, annex XIII.

SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

3.2. Mixtures

Hazardous components

CAS No	Chemical name			Quantity
	EC No	Index No	REACH No	
	Classification (GB CLP Regulation)			
1310-58-3	potassium hydroxide; caustic potash			1 - 40 %
	215-181-3	019-002-00-8		
	Acute Tox. 4, Skin Corr. 1A; H302 H314			

Full text of H and EUH statements: see section 16.

Specific Conc. Limits, M-factors and ATE

CAS No	EC No	Chemical name	Quantity
	Specific Conc. Limits, M-factors and ATE		
1310-58-3	215-181-3	potassium hydroxide; caustic potash	1 - 40 %
	oral: ATE = 500 mg/kg Skin Corr. 1A; H314: >= 5 - 100 Skin Corr. 1B; H314: >= 2 - < 5 Skin Irrit. 2; H315: >= 0,5 - < 2 Eye Irrit. 2; H319: >= 0,5 - < 2		

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Further Information

Product does not contain listed SVHC substances > 0,1 % according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 Article 59 (REACH)

SECTION 4: First aid measures**4.1. Description of first aid measures****General information**

First aider: Pay attention to self-protection! Remove affected person from the danger area and lay down. In case of accident or unwellness, seek medical advice immediately (show directions for use or safety data sheet if possible).

After inhalation

Provide fresh air. Medical treatment necessary. @1501.B015819 In case of respiratory tract irritation, consult a physician. In the case of lung irritation: Primary treatment using corticoide spray, eg. Auxiloson spray, Pulmicort-dosage-spray. (Auxiloson and Pulmicort are registered trademarks.)

After contact with skin

After contact with skin, wash immediately with plenty of water and soap. Take off immediately all contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse. If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention. @0403.B004101 Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. In case of skin irritation, seek medical treatment.

After contact with eyes

In case of contact with eyes flush immediately with plenty of flowing water for 10 to 15 minutes holding eyelids apart and consult an ophthalmologist. Danger of blindness! In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of flowing water for 10 to 15 minutes holding eyelids apart. Subsequently consult an ophthalmologist.

After ingestion

@0401.B040030 Adverse human health effects and symptoms: Gastric perforation. Call a physician immediately. Do not allow a neutralisation agent to be drunk. Do NOT induce vomiting. Rinse mouth thoroughly with water. Let water be drunken in little sips (dilution effect). Observe risk of aspiration if vomiting occurs. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person or a person with cramps. When in doubt or if symptoms are observed, get medical advice.

4.2. Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

If swallowed danger of perforation of the esophagus and the stomach (strong corrosive effects).

4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Treat symptomatically. Treat symptomatically.

SECTION 5: Firefighting measures**5.1. Extinguishing media****Suitable extinguishing media**

Co-ordinate fire-fighting measures to the fire surroundings. Sand. Foam. Carbon dioxide (CO₂). Extinguishing powder. In case of major fire and large quantities: Water spray jet. Water mist.

Unsuitable extinguishing media

Full water jet

5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Non-flammable. Can be released in case of fire: Carbon monoxide Carbon dioxide (CO₂)

5.3. Advice for firefighters

Wear a self-contained breathing apparatus and chemical protective clothing. Full protection suit. In case of fire and/or explosion do not breathe fumes. In case of fire: Wear self-contained breathing apparatus.

Additional information

Suppress gases/vapours/mists with water spray jet. Collect contaminated fire extinguishing water separately. Do not allow entering drains or surface water. Collect contaminated fire extinguishing water separately. Do not allow entering drains or surface water.
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Slowly corrodes aluminium and zink under hydrogen evolution. Explosion hazard.

SECTION 6: Accidental release measures**6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures****General advice**

Provide adequate ventilation. Do not breathe gas/fumes/vapour/spray. Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothes. Use personal protection equipment. Wear personal protection equipment (refer to section 8).

@1501.B015718 Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothes.

Special danger of slipping by leaking/spilling product.

6.2. Environmental precautions

Do not allow to enter into surface water or drains. Do not allow to enter into surface water or drains. Prevent spread over a wide area (e.g. by containment or oil barriers). Do not allow to enter into soil/subsoil.

6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up**For cleaning up**

Absorb with liquid-binding material (e.g. sand, diatomaceous earth, acid- or universal binding agents). Treat the recovered material as prescribed in the section on waste disposal.

Other information

Absorb with liquid-binding material (e.g. sand, diatomaceous earth, acid- or universal binding agents).

Treat the recovered material as prescribed in the section on waste disposal.

Clean contaminated objects and areas thoroughly observing environmental regulations.

6.4. Reference to other sections

Safe handling: see section 7

Personal protection equipment: see section 8

Disposal: see section 13 Safe handling: see section 7

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SECTION 7: Handling and storage**7.1. Precautions for safe handling****Advice on safe handling**

If handled uncovered, arrangements with local exhaust ventilation have to be used. Do not breathe gas/fumes/vapour/spray. Wear suitable protective clothing. (See section 8.)

Conditions to avoid: aerosol or mist formation

Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothes.

Advice on protection against fire and explosion

Usual measures for fire prevention.

Advice on general occupational hygiene

Remove contaminated, saturated clothing immediately. Draw up and observe skin protection programme.

Wash hands and face before breaks and after work and take a shower if necessary. When using do not eat, drink, smoke, sniff. When using do not eat, drink or smoke.

Further information on handling

Advices on general occupational hygiene: See section 8.

7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**Requirements for storage rooms and vessels**

Keep container tightly closed. Keep locked up. Store in a place accessible by authorized persons only. Provide adequate ventilation as well as local exhaust at critical locations. Keep container tightly closed in a cool, well-ventilated place. Only use containers specifically approved for the substance/product.

Make sure spills can be contained (e.g. sump pallets or kerbed areas).

Hints on joint storage

Do not store together with: Explosives. Oxidizing solids. Oxidizing liquids. Organic peroxides. Self-reactive substances and mixtures. Radioactive substances. Infectious substances.

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Further information on storage conditions

Recommended storage temperature: 20°C

Protect against: frost. UV-radiation/sunlight. heat. Humidity

7.3. Specific end use(s)

See section 1.

SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection
8.1. Control parameters
Exposure limits (EH40)

CAS No	Substance	ppm	mg/m ³	fibres/ml	Category	Origin
1310-58-3	Potassium hydroxide	-	2		STEL (15 min)	WEL

8.2. Exposure controls

Appropriate engineering controls

If handled uncovered, arrangements with local exhaust ventilation have to be used. Do not breathe gas/fumes/vapour/spray. Provide adequate ventilation.

Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment
Eye/face protection

Suitable eye protection: goggles. Wear eye/face protection. DIN EN 166

Hand protection

When handling with chemical substances, protective gloves must be worn with the CE-label including the four control digits. The quality of the protective gloves resistant to chemicals must be chosen as a function of the specific working place concentration and quantity of hazardous substances. For special purposes, it is recommended to check the resistance to chemicals of the protective gloves mentioned above together with the supplier of these gloves. Wear suitable gloves.

Suitable material:

FKM (fluororubber). - Thickness of glove material: 0,4 mm

Breakthrough time \geq 8 h

Butyl rubber. - Thickness of glove material: 0,5 mm

Breakthrough time \geq 8 h

CR (polychloroprenes, Chloroprene rubber). - Thickness of glove material: 0,5 mm

Breakthrough time \geq 8 h

NBR (Nitrile rubber). - Thickness of glove material: 0,35 mm

Breakthrough time \geq 8 h

PVC (Polyvinyl chloride). - Thickness of glove material: 0,5 mm

Breakthrough time \geq 8 h

The selected protective gloves have to satisfy the specifications of EU Directive 89/686/EEC and the standard EN 374 derived from it.

Before using check leak tightness / impermeability. In the case of wanting to use the gloves again, clean them before taking off and air them well.

Skin protection

Use of protective clothing. Suitable protective clothing: Lab apron.

Minimum standard for preventive measures while handling with working materials are specified in the TRGS 500 (D).

Respiratory protection

In case of inadequate ventilation wear respiratory protection. With correct and proper use, and under normal

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conditions, breathing protection is not required.

Respiratory protection necessary at:

- exceeding exposure limit values
- insufficient ventilation and aerosol or mist formation

Suitable respiratory protective equipment: particulates filter device (DIN EN 143). Type: P1-3

The filter class must be suitable for the maximum contaminant concentration (gas/vapour/aerosol/particulates) that may arise when handling the product. If the concentration is exceeded, self-contained breathing apparatus must be used.

Environmental exposure controls

No information available.

SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties
9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Physical state:	Liquid
Colour:	colourless
Odour:	odourless

Changes in the physical state

Melting point/freezing point:	No information available.
Boiling point or initial boiling point and boiling range:	>100 °C
Sublimation point:	No information available.
Softening point:	No information available.
Pour point:	No information available.
Flash point:	N/A

Flammability

Solid/liquid:	No information available.
Gas:	No information available.

Explosive properties

The product is not: Explosive. none

Lower explosion limits:	No information available.
Upper explosion limits:	No information available.
Auto-ignition temperature:	No information available.

Self-ignition temperature

Solid:	No information available.
Gas:	No information available.

Decomposition temperature:	No information available.
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pH-Value (at 20 °C):	> 12
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Viscosity / dynamic:	No information available.
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Viscosity / kinematic:	No information available.
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Flow time:	No information available.
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Water solubility:	No information available.
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Solubility in other solvents

No information available.

Partition coefficient n-octanol/water:	No information available.
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Vapour pressure: (at 20 °C)	No information available.
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Vapour pressure: (at 50 °C)	No information available.
Density (at 20 °C):	ca. 1,4 g/cm ³
Bulk density:	No information available.
Relative vapour density:	No information available.

9.2. Other information**Information with regard to physical hazard classes**

Sustaining combustion:	No data available
Oxidizing properties none	

Other safety characteristics

Solvent separation test:	No information available.
Solvent content:	No information available.
Solid content:	No information available.
Evaporation rate:	No information available.

Further Information**SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity****10.1. Reactivity**

Possibility of hazardous reactions. No information available.

10.2. Chemical stability

The product is chemically stable under recommended conditions of storage, use and temperature.

10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

Exothermic reaction with: Acid, Peroxides, Oxidizing agent. Refer to chapter 10.5.

10.4. Conditions to avoid

Protect against: UV-radiation/sunlight. heat.

10.5. Incompatible materials

Keep away from: Acid, Oxidizing agent, Peroxides. Materials to avoid: Oxidizing agents, strong. Reducing agents, strong. @1501.B015806
Possibly extensive generation of hydrogen on contact with amphoteric metals (e.g. aluminium, lead, zinc) (explosive hazard!).

10.6. Hazardous decomposition productsCan be released in case of fire: Carbon monoxide Carbon dioxide (CO₂)**SECTION 11: Toxicological information****11.1. Information on hazard classes as defined in GB CLP Regulation****Toxicokinetics, metabolism and distribution**

No information available.

Acute toxicity

Harmful if swallowed.

ATEmix calculated

ATE (oral) 1000,0 mg/kg

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CAS No	Chemical name				
	Exposure route	Dose	Species	Source	Method
1310-58-3	potassium hydroxide; caustic potash				
	oral	ATE 500 mg/kg			

Irritation and corrosivity

Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

Causes serious eye damage.

Sensitising effects

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

Carcinogenic/mutagenic/toxic effects for reproduction

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

STOT-single exposure

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

STOT-repeated exposure

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

Aspiration hazard

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

Further information

The mixture is classified as hazardous according to regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 [CLP].

SECTION 12: Ecological information

12.1. Toxicity

The product has not been tested.

12.2. Persistence and degradability

The product has not been tested.

12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

No indication of bioaccumulation potential.

12.4. Mobility in soil

No information available.

12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

The substances in the mixture do not meet the PBT/vPvB criteria according to UK REACH.

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12.6. Endocrine disrupting properties

This product does not contain a substance that has endocrine disrupting properties with respect to non-target organisms as no components meets the criteria.

12.7. Other adverse effects

No information available.

Further information

Avoid release to the environment.

SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

13.1. Waste treatment methods

Disposal recommendations

Do not allow to enter into surface water or drains. Dispose of waste according to applicable legislation. Dispose of waste according to applicable legislation. Consult the local waste disposal expert about waste disposal.

Non-contaminated packages may be recycled. The allocation of waste identity numbers/waste descriptions

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must be carried out according to the EEC, specific to the industry and process.

Control report for waste code/ waste marking according to (EWC) European Waste Catalogue:

List of Wastes Code - residues/unused products

060204 WASTES FROM INORGANIC CHEMICAL PROCESSES; wastes from the MFSU of bases; sodium and potassium hydroxide; hazardous waste

List of Wastes Code - used product

060204 WASTES FROM INORGANIC CHEMICAL PROCESSES; wastes from the MFSU of bases; sodium and potassium hydroxide; hazardous waste

List of Wastes Code - contaminated packaging

150110 WASTE PACKAGING; ABSORBENTS, WIPING CLOTHS, FILTER MATERIALS AND PROTECTIVE CLOTHING NOT OTHERWISE SPECIFIED; packaging (including separately collected municipal packaging waste); packaging containing residues of or contaminated by hazardous substances; hazardous waste

Contaminated packaging

Wash with plenty of water. Completely emptied packages can be recycled. Handle contaminated packages in the same way as the substance itself.

SECTION 14: Transport information
Land transport (ADR/RID)

14.1. UN number or ID number: UN 1814
14.2. UN proper shipping name: POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION
14.3. Transport hazard class(es): 8
14.4. Packing group: II
 Hazard label: 8



Classification code: C5
 Limited quantity: 1 L
 Excepted quantity: E2
 Transport category: 2
 Hazard No: 80
 Tunnel restriction code: E

Inland waterways transport (ADN)

14.1. UN number or ID number: UN 1814
14.2. UN proper shipping name: POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION
14.3. Transport hazard class(es): 8
14.4. Packing group: II
 Hazard label: 8



Classification code: C5
 Limited quantity: 1 L
 Excepted quantity: E2

Marine transport (IMDG)

14.1. UN number or ID number: UN 1814
14.2. UN proper shipping name: POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION
14.3. Transport hazard class(es): 8
14.4. Packing group: II
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Special Provisions: -
 Limited quantity: 1 L
 Excepted quantity: E2
 EmS: F-A, S-B

Air transport (ICAO-TI/IATA-DGR)

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14.2. UN proper shipping name: POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION
14.3. Transport hazard class(es): 8
14.4. Packing group: II
 Hazard label: 8



Special Provisions: A3 A803
 Limited quantity Passenger: 0.5 L
 Passenger LQ: Y840
 Excepted quantity: E2
 IATA-packing instructions - Passenger: 851
 IATA-max. quantity - Passenger: 1 L
 IATA-packing instructions - Cargo: 855
 IATA-max. quantity - Cargo: 30 L

14.5. Environmental hazards

ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS: No

14.6. Special precautions for user

Warning: strongly corrosive. Safe handling: see section 7
 Personal protection equipment: see section 8

14.7. Maritime transport in bulk according to IMO instruments

not relevant

SECTION 15: Regulatory information
15.1. Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture
EU regulatory information

Restrictions on use (REACH, annex XVII):

Entry 3, Entry 75

2010/75/EU (VOC): No information available.

2004/42/EC (VOC): No information available.

Information according to 2012/18/EU (SEVESO III): Not subject to 2012/18/EU (SEVESO III)

Additional information

The mixture is classified as hazardous according to regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 [CLP].
 REACH 1907/2006 Appendix XVII, No (mixture): 3

National regulatory information

Employment restrictions: Observe restrictions to employment for juveniles according to the 'juvenile work protection guideline' (94/33/EC).

Water hazard class (D): 1 - slightly hazardous to water

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15.2. Chemical safety assessment

Chemical safety assessments for substances in this mixture were not carried out.

SECTION 16: Other information**Changes**

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Rev 1,01, 10.04.2014 Umstellung auf EU VO 453 Anhang I , Einschränkung P-Sätze

Rev 1,02; 27.11.2015, Changes in chapter: 1, 16;

Rev 1,03; 23.08.2017, Changes in chapter: 1, 16.

Rev 2,00; 16.10.2018, Changes in chapter: 1-16.

Abbreviations and acronyms

ADR: Accord européen sur le transport des marchandises dangereuses par Route

AwSV: Verordnung über Anlagen zum Umgang mit wassergefährdenden Stoffen

AGW: Arbeitsplatzgrenzwert

AVV: Abfallverzeichnisverordnung

CAS Chemical Abstracts Service

CLP: Classification, Labelling and Packaging of substances and mixtures

DNEL: Derived No Effect Level

d: day(s)

EAKV: Europäisches Abfallverzeichnis gemäß Entwurf Abfallverzeichnisverordnung

EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial chemical Substances

ELINCS: European List of Notified Chemical Substances

ECHA: European Chemicals Agency

EWC: European Waste Catalogue

IARC: INTERNATIONAL AGENCY FOR RESEARCH ON CANCER

IMDG: International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods

IATA: International Air Transport Association

IATA-DGR: Dangerous Goods Regulations by the "International Air Transport Association" (IATA)

ICAO: International Civil Aviation Organization

ICAO-TI: Technical Instructions by the "International Civil Aviation Organization" (ICAO)

GHS: Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals

GefStoffV: Gefahrstoffverordnung (Ordinance on Hazardous Substances, Germany)

h: hour

LOAEL: Lowest observed adverse effect level

LOAEC: Lowest observed adverse effect concentration

LC50: Lethal concentration, 50 percent

LD50: Lethal dose, 50 percent

NOAEL: No observed adverse effect level

NOAEC: No observed adverse effect level

NLP: No-Longer Polymers

N/A: not applicable

OECD: Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development

PNEC: predicted no effect concentration

PBT: Persistent bioaccumulative toxic

RID: Règlement international concernant le transport des marchandises dangereuses par chemin de fer (Regulations Concerning the International Transport of Dangerous Goods by Rail)

REACH: Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation of Chemicals

SVHC: substance of very high concern

TRGS Technische Regeln fuer Gefahrstoffe

UN: United Nations

VOC: Volatile Organic Compounds

VwVwS: Verwaltungsvorschrift wassergefährdender Stoffe

WGK: Wassergefährdungsklasse

CLP: Classification, labelling and Packaging

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REACH: Registration, Evaluation and Authorization of Chemicals
 GHS: Globally Harmonised System of Classification, Labelling and Packaging of Chemicals
 UN: United Nations
 CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service
 DNEL: Derived No Effect Level
 DMEL: Derived Minimal Effect Level
 PNEC: Predicted No Effect Concentration
 ATE: Acute toxicity estimate
 LL50: Lethal loading, 50%
 EL50: Effect loading, 50%
 EC50: Effective Concentration 50%
 ErC50: Effective Concentration 50%, growth rate
 NOEC: No Observed Effect Concentration
 BCF: Bio-concentration factor
 PBT: persistent, bioaccumulative, toxic
 vPvB: very persistent, very bioaccumulative
 ADR: Accord européen sur le transport des marchandises dangereuses par Route
 (European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road)
 RID: Regulations concerning the international carriage of dangerous goods by rail
 ADN: European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterways
 (Accord européen relatif au transport international des marchandises dangereuses par voies de navigation
 intérieures)
 EmS: Emergency Schedules
 MFAG: Medical First Aid Guide
 MARPOL: International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships
 IBC: Intermediate Bulk Container
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Classification for mixtures and used evaluation method according to GB CLP Regulation

Classification	Classification procedure
Met. Corr. 1; H290	On basis of test data
Acute Tox. 4; H302	Calculation method
Skin Corr. 1A; H314	Calculation method
Eye Dam. 1; H318	Calculation method

Relevant H and EUH statements (number and full text)

H290 May be corrosive to metals.
 H302 Harmful if swallowed.
 H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
 H318 Causes serious eye damage.

Further Information

The information is based on the present level of our knowledge. It does not, however, give assurance of product properties and establishes no contract legal rights. The receiver of our product is singularly responsible for adhering to existing laws and regulations. Classification according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 [CLP] - Classification procedure:

Health hazards: Calculation method.

Environmental hazards: Calculation method.

Physical hazards: On basis of test data and / or calculated and / or estimated.

The above information describes exclusively the safety requirements of the product and is based on our present-day knowledge. The information is intended to give you advice about the safe handling of the product named in this safety data sheet, for storage, processing, transport and disposal. The information cannot be transferred to other products. In the case of mixing the product with other products or in the case of processing, the information on this safety data sheet is not necessarily valid for the new made-up material.

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