



MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

Potassium sulfate

Section 1 - Chemical Product and Company Identification

MSDS Name: Potassium sulfate

Catalog Numbers: P/6960/53, P/6960/60, P/6960/65, P/6960/71, P/7000/53, P/7000/60, P/7000/65, P/7000/71

Synonyms: Dipotassium sulfate; Potassium sulfate (2:1); Sulfuric acid, dipotassium salt.

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Section 2 - Composition, Information on Ingredients

CAS#	Chemical Name:	%	EINECS#
7778-80-5	Potassium sulfate	>99	231-915-5

Hazard Symbols: None listed

Risk Phrases: None listed

Section 3 - Hazards Identification

EMERGENCY OVERVIEW

Not available

Potential Health Effects

Eye: Dust may cause mechanical irritation.

Skin: Low hazard for usual industrial handling.

Ingestion: May cause gastrointestinal irritation with nausea, vomiting and diarrhea.

Inhalation: Inhalation of dust may cause respiratory tract irritation.

Chronic: Not expected to be a chronic hazard.

Section 4 - First Aid Measures

Eyes: In case of contact, immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical aid.

Skin: In case of contact, flush skin with plenty of water. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Get medical aid if irritation develops and persists. Wash clothing before reuse.

Ingestion: If swallowed, do not induce vomiting unless directed to do so by medical personnel. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Get medical aid.

Inhalation: If inhaled, remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical aid.

Notes to Physician: Treat symptomatically and supportively.

Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures

General Information: As in any fire, wear a self-contained breathing apparatus in pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent), and full protective gear. Substance is noncombustible. Decomposes at high temperatures, resulting in toxic and corrosive products.

Extinguishing Media: Use extinguishing media most appropriate for the surrounding fire.

Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures

General Information: Use proper personal protective equipment as indicated in Section 8.

Spills/Leaks: Vacuum or sweep up material and place into a suitable disposal container. Avoid generating dusty conditions. Provide ventilation.

Section 7 - Handling and Storage

Handling: Wash thoroughly after handling. Use with adequate ventilation. Minimize dust generation and accumulation. Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Avoid breathing dust.

Storage: Store in a cool, dry place. Keep container closed when not in use.

Section 8 - Exposure Controls, Personal Protection

Engineering Controls:

Use adequate ventilation to keep airborne concentrations low.

Exposure Limits

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Personal Protective Equipment

Eyes: 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: Glove protection is not normally required.

Clothing: Protective garments not normally required.

Respirators: A respiratory protection program that meets OSHA's 29 CFR 1910.134 and ANSI Z88.2 requirements or European Standard EN 149 must be followed whenever workplace conditions warrant respirator use.

Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties

Physical State: Solid

Color: white

Odor: Odorless

pH: ~ 7 (aq soln)

Vapor Pressure: Not applicable.

Viscosity: Not available

Boiling Point: 1689 deg C @ 760 mmHg (3,072.20°F)

Freezing/Melting Point: 1067 deg C (1,952.60°F)

Autoignition Temperature: Not applicable

Flash Point: Not applicable.

Explosion Limits: Lower: Not available

Explosion Limits: Upper: Not available

Decomposition Temperature: Not available

Solubility in water: 110 g/l (20°C)

Specific Gravity/Density: 2.66 g/cm³

Molecular Formula: K2O4S

Molecular Weight: 174.26

Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

Chemical Stability:	Stable under normal temperatures and pressures.
Conditions to Avoid:	Dust generation.
Incompatibilities with Other Materials	No significant incompatibilities identified with common materials and contaminants..
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Oxides of sulfur, oxides of potassium.
Hazardous Polymerization	Will not occur.

Section 11 - Toxicological Information

RTECS#:	CAS# 7778-80-5: TT5900000
LD50/LC50:	RTECS: CAS# 7778-80-5: Oral, mouse: LD50 = 6600 mg/kg; Oral, rat: LD50 = 6600 mg/kg;
Carcinogenicity:	Potassium sulfate - Not listed as a carcinogen by ACGIH, IARC, NTP, or CA Prop 65.
Other:	See actual entry in RTECS for complete information.

Section 12 - Ecological Information

Other: No information available.

Section 13 - Disposal Considerations

Products considered hazardous for supply are classified as Special Waste and the disposal of such chemicals is covered by regulations which may vary according to location. Contact a specialist disposal company or the local authority or advice. Empty containers must be decontaminated before returning for recycling.

Section 14 - Transport Information

	IATA	IMO	RID/ADR
Shipping Name:	Not regulated as a hazardous material	Not regulated as a hazardous material	Not regulated as a hazardous material
Hazard Class:			
UN Number:			
Packing Group:			

Section 15 - Regulatory Information

European/International Regulations

European Labeling in Accordance with EC Directives

Hazard Symbols: Not available

Risk Phrases:

Safety Phrases:

S 24/25 Avoid contact with skin and eyes.

WGK (Water Danger/Protection)

CAS# 7778-80-5: 1

Canada

CAS# 7778-80-5 is listed on Canada's DSL List

US Federal

TSCA

CAS# 7778-80-5 is listed on the TSCA
Inventory.

Section 16 - Other Information

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