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Material Safety Data Sheet

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1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product Name	Potassium chromate
Cat No.	P220-3; P220-100; P220-500
Synonyms	Chromic acid, dipotassium salt (Granular/Certified ACS)
Recommended Use	Laboratory chemicals
Company	Emergency Telephone Number
Fisher Scientific	CHEMTREC®, Inside the USA: 800-
One Reagent Lane	424-9300
Fair Lawn, NJ 07410	CHEMTREC®, Outside the USA: 703-
Tel: (201) 796-7100	527-3887

2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

DANGER!

Emergency Overview

Oxidizer: Contact with combustible/organic material may cause fire. Cancer hazard. May cause cancer by inhalation. May cause heritable genetic damage. Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin. May cause an allergic skin reaction. Very toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.

Appearance Yellow

Physical State Solid

odor odorless

Target Organs Liver, Kidney, Respiratory system, Eyes, Skin, Lungs, Blood

Potential Health Effects

Acute Effects

Principle Routes of Exposure

Eyes

Irritating to eyes.

Skin

Irritating to skin. May be harmful in contact with skin. May produce an allergic reaction.

Inhalation

Irritating to respiratory system. May be harmful if inhaled.

Ingestion

May be harmful if swallowed. Ingestion may cause gastrointestinal irritation, nausea, vomiting and diarrhea.

Chronic Effects

May cause cancer. May cause heritable genetic damage. May cause adverse liver effects. May cause adverse kidney effects.

See Section 11 for additional Toxicological information.

Aggravated Medical Conditions Preexisting eye disorders. Kidney disorders. Liver disorders. Skin disorders.

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Haz/Non-haz

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Potassium chromate	7789-00-6	>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. Do not use mouth-to-mouth resuscitation if victim ingested or inhaled the substance; induce artificial respiration with a respiratory medical device. Obtain medical attention.
Ingestion	Do not induce vomiting. Call a physician or Poison Control Center immediately.
Notes to Physician	Treat symptomatically.

5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

Flash Point	No information available.
Method	No information available.
Autoignition Temperature	No information available.
Explosion Limits	
Upper	No data available
Lower	No data available
Suitable Extinguishing Media	Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.
Unsuitable Extinguishing Media	No information available.
Hazardous Combustion Products	No information available.
Sensitivity to mechanical impact	No information available.
Sensitivity to static discharge	No information available.

Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Oxidizer: Contact with combustible/organic material may cause fire. May ignite combustibles (wood paper, oil, clothing, etc.).

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. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

NFPA **Health** 2 **Flammability** 0 **Instability** 2 **Physical hazards** OX

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal Precautions	Use personal protective equipment. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Avoid dust formation.
Environmental Precautions	Should not be released into the environment.
Methods for Containment and Clean Up	Keep combustibles (wood, paper, oil, etc) away from spilled material. Sweep up or vacuum up spillage and collect in suitable container for disposal. Avoid dust formation.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling	Use only under a chemical fume hood. Wear personal protective equipment. Avoid dust formation. Do not breathe dust. Do not ingest. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Keep away from clothing and other combustible materials.
Storage	Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Do not store near combustible materials.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

Engineering Measures	Use only under a chemical fume hood. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.
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Exposure Guidelines

Component	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH IDLH
Potassium chromate		(Vacated) Ceiling: 0.1 mg/m ³ Ceiling: 0.1 mg/m ³	IDLH: 15 mg/m ³ TWA: 0.001 mg/m ³

Component	Quebec	Mexico OEL (TWA)	Ontario TWAEV
Potassium chromate			TWA: 0.05 mg/m ³

NIOSH IDLH: Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health

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.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Physical State	Solid
Appearance	Yellow
odor	odorless
Odor Threshold	No information available.
pH	8.6-9.8 50 g/l aq.sol.
Vapor Pressure	No information available.
Vapor Density	No information available.
Viscosity	No information available.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Boiling Point/Range	No information available.
Melting Point/Range	975°C / 1787°F
Decomposition temperature	No information available.
Flash Point	No information available.
Evaporation Rate	No information available.
Specific Gravity	No information available.
Solubility	Soluble in water
log Pow	No data available
Molecular Weight	194.2
Molecular Formula	Cr K2 O4

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Stability	Oxidizer: Contact with combustible/organic material may cause fire.
Conditions to Avoid	Incompatible products. Excess heat. Combustible material. Avoid dust formation.
Incompatible Materials	Strong oxidizing agents
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Oxides of potassium
Hazardous Polymerization	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
Hazardous Reactions .	None under normal processing..

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute Toxicity

Component Information

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Potassium chromate	180 mg/kg (Mouse)	Not listed	Not listed

Irritation Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin

Toxicologically Synergistic Products No information available.

Chronic Toxicity

Carcinogenicity The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen.

Component	ACGIH	IARC	NTP	OSHA	Mexico
Potassium chromate	Not listed	Group 1	Not listed	X	Not listed

IARC: (International Agency for Research on Cancer)

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Group 1 - Carcinogenic to Humans

Group 2A - Probably Carcinogenic to Humans

Group 2B - Possibly Carcinogenic to Humans

Sensitization	May cause sensitization by skin contact
Mutagenic Effects	May cause heritable genetic damage
Reproductive Effects	No information available.
Developmental Effects	No information available.
Teratogenicity	No information available.
Other Adverse Effects	See actual entry in RTECS for complete information.
Endocrine Disruptor Information	No information available

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity

Very toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Potassium chromate	Not listed	Pimephales promelas: LC50=40 mg/L/96h	Not listed	EC50 = 0.015 mg/L/48h

Persistence and Degradability	No information available
Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation	No information available
Mobility	No information available

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.
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14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

DOT

UN-No	UN3086
Proper Shipping Name	TOXIC SOLIDS, OXIDIZING, N.O.S.
Proper technical name	Potassium chromate
Hazard Class	6.1
Subsidiary Hazard Class	5.1
Packing Group	II

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

TDG

UN-No UN3086
Proper Shipping Name TOXIC SOLIDS, OXIDIZING, N.O.S.
Hazard Class 6.1
Subsidiary Hazard Class 5.1
Packing Group II

IATA

UN-No UN3086
Proper Shipping Name Toxic solid, oxidizing, n.o.s
Hazard Class 6.1
Subsidiary Hazard Class 5.1
Packing Group II

IMDG/IMO

UN-No UN3086
Proper Shipping Name Toxic solid, oxidizing, n.o.s
Hazard Class 6.1
Subsidiary Hazard Class 5.1
Packing Group II

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

International Inventories

Component	TSCA	DSL	NDSL	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	PICCS	ENCS	AICS	CHINA	KECL
Potassium chromate	R	X	-	232-140-5	-		X	X	X	X	KE-29089 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)

Component	TSCA 12(b)
Potassium chromate	Section 6

SARA 313
Not applicable

SARA 311/312 Hazardous Categorization

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

Clean Water Act

Component	CWA - Hazardous Substances	CWA - Reportable Quantities	CWA - Toxic Pollutants	CWA - Priority Pollutants
Potassium chromate	X	10 lb	-	-

Clean Air Act
Not applicable

OSHA
Not applicable

CERCLA

This material, as supplied, contains one or more substances regulated as a hazardous substance under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) (40 CFR 302)

Component	Hazardous Substances RQs	CERCLA EHS RQs
Potassium chromate	10 lb	-

California Proposition 65

This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals.

State Right-to-Know

Component	Massachusetts	New Jersey	Pennsylvania	Illinois	Rhode Island
Potassium chromate	X	X	X	-	-

U.S. Department of Transportation

Reportable Quantity (RQ):	Y
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

C Oxidizing materials

D2A Very toxic materials

D2B Toxic materials

**16. OTHER INFORMATION**

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End of MSDS