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Material Safety Data Sheet

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WHMIS	Protective Clothing	TDG Road/Rail
Not controlled under WHMIS (Canada).		Not controlled under TDG (Canada). PIN: Not applicable. PG: Not applicable.
		

Section I. Product Identification and Uses

Product name	POTASSIUM BIPHTHALATE	CI#	Not available.
Chemical formula	HO2CC6H4CO2K	CAS#	877-24-7
Synonyms	C-6521	Code	C-6521
		Formula weight	204.23
		Supersedes	
Material uses	For laboratory use only.		

Section II. Ingredients

Name	CAS #	%	TLV
1) POTASSIUM BIPHTHALATE	877-24-7	99.95	Not established by ACGIH

Toxicity values of the hazardous ingredients POTASSIUM BIPHTHALATE: ORAL (LD50): Acute: >3200 mg/kg (Rat). DERMAL (LD50): Acute: >1000 mg/kg (Guinea Pig).

Section III. Physical Data

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Physical state and appearance / Odor	Solid. (White crystals. Odorless.)
pH (1% soln/water)	4.00 (0.05M aqueous solution @ 25°C)
Odor threshold	Not available.
Percent volatile	Not available.
Freezing point	Decomposes at 295 to 300°C.
Boiling point	Not applicable.
Specific gravity	1.64 (Water = 1)
Vapor density	Not available.
Vapor pressure	Not available.
Water/oil dist. coeff.	Not available.
Evaporation rate	Not available.
Solubility	Soluble in cold water.

Section IV. Fire and Explosion Data

Flash point	Not available.
Flammable limits	Not available.
Auto-ignition temperature	Not available.
Fire degradation products	Oxides of potassium and carbon.
Fire extinguishing procedures	Use DRY chemical, carbon dioxide, alcohol-resistant foam or water spray. Wear adequate personal protection to prevent contact with material or its combustion products. Self contained breathing apparatus with a full facepiece operated in a pressure demand or other positive pressure mode.
Fire and Explosion Hazards	When heated, flammable and toxic vapors emitted. The sensitivity to static discharge is not available. The sensitivity to impact is not available.

Section V. Toxicological Properties

Routes of entry	Inhalation and ingestion. Eye contact.
Effects of Acute Exposure	May be harmful by inhalation or ingestion. Target organs: eyes, skin, mucous membranes.
Eye	May cause irritation or corneal damage.
Skin	May cause irritation.
Inhalation	May cause respiratory tract irritation. May cause coughing, chest pains, difficulty in breathing.
Ingestion	May cause gastrointestinal irritation. May cause nausea and vomiting. May cause burns to mouth, throat and stomach.

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Effects of Chronic Overexposure Carcinogenic effects: Not available. Mutagenic effects: Not available. Teratogenic effects: Not available. Toxicity of the product to the reproductive system: Not available. To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicity of this substance has not been fully investigated.

Section VI. First Aid Measures

Eye contact Immediately flush eyes with copious quantities of water for at least 15 minutes holding lids apart to ensure flushing of the entire surface. Seek immediate medical attention.

Skin contact Immediately flush skin with plenty of water and soap for at least 15 minutes while removing contaminated clothing and shoes. Call a physician. Wash contaminated clothing before reusing.

Inhalation Remove patient to fresh air. Administer approved oxygen supply if breathing is difficult. Administer artificial respiration or CPR if breathing has ceased. Call a physician.

Ingestion If conscious, wash out mouth with water. Have conscious person drink several glasses of water or milk. Induce vomiting. Seek immediate medical attention. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious or convulsing person.

Section VII. Reactivity Data

Stability Stable. Conditions to avoid: High temperatures, sparks, open flames and all other sources of ignition, contamination.

Hazardous decomp. products Not available.

Incompatibility Oxidizing agents, acids, bases, nitric acid.

Reaction Products Not available. Hazardous polymerization will not occur.

Section VIII. Preventive Measures

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Protective Clothing in case of spill and leak Wear respirator, safety glass, rubber boots and heavy rubber glove

Spill and leak Evacuate and ventilate the area. Eliminate all sources of ignition. Sweep up and place in container for disposal. Avoid raising dust. Ventilate area and wash spill site after material pick up is complete. DO NOT empty into drains. DO NOT touch damaged container or spilled material.

Waste disposal According to all applicable regulations.

Storage and Handling Store in a cool place away from heated areas, sparks, and flame. Store in a well ventilated area. Store away from incompatible materials. Do not add any other material to the container. Do not wash down the drain. Do not breathe dust. Keep container tightly closed and dry. Manipulate under an adequate fume hood. Avoid raising dust. Handle and open container with care. Minimize dust generation and exposure - use dust mask or appropriate protection. This product must be manipulated by qualified personnel. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Wash well after use. In accordance with good storage and handling practices. Do not allow smoking and food consumption while handling.

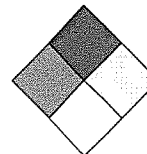
Section IX. Protective Measures

Protective clothing Splash goggles. Impervious gloves, coveralls, and/or other resistant protective clothing. Sufficient to protect skin. Wear an effective dust mask, if dust may be present in the work atmosphere. Do not wear contact lenses. Make eye bath and emergency shower available. Ensure that eyewash station and safety shower is proximal to the work-station location.

Engineering controls Local mechanical exhaust ventilation capable of minimizing dust emissions at the point of use. Do not use in unventilated spaces.

Section X. Other Information

Special Precautions or comments Do not breathe dust. Avoid all contact with the product. Manipulate in a well ventilated area or under an adequate fume hood. To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical and toxicity of this substance has not been fully investigated. Handle and open container with care. Container should be opened only by a technically qualified person.
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