
Safety Data Sheet

1. Chemical product and company identification

Product name : Potassium nitrate

SDS code : C1-05F

Company/undertaking identification :

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Emergency number : 06-6910-7305

Recommended use : Food additive.

Restrictions on use : Comply the Food Sanitation Act when using.

2. Hazards identification

GHS classification

Physical hazards	Explosives	No classification	
	Flammable gases	No classification	
	Aerosol	No classification	
	Oxidizing gases	No classification	
	Gases under pressure	No classification	
	Flammable liquids	No classification	
	Flammable solids	No classification	
	Self-reactive substances and mixtures	No classification	
	Pyrophoric liquids	No classification	
	Pyrophoric solids	No classification	
	Self-heating substances and mixtures	No classification	
	Substances and mixtures which in contact with water emit flammable gases	No classification	
	Oxidizing liquids	No classification	
	Oxidizing solids	Category 3	
	Organic peroxides	No classification	
	Corrosive to metals	classification not possible	
	Desensitized explosives	classification not possible	
	Health hazards	Acute toxicity (oral)	No classification
		Acute toxicity (dermal)	classification not possible
Acute toxicity (inhalation:gas)		No classification	
Acute toxicity (inhalation:vapors)		classification not possible	
Acute toxicity (inhalation:dust/mist)		classification not possible	
Skin corrosion/irritation		classification not possible	
Serious eye damage/eye irritation		classification not possible	
Respiratory sensitization		classification not possible	
Skin sensitization		classification not possible	
Germ cell mutagenicity		classification not possible	
Carcinogenicity	classification not possible		
Reproductive toxicity	Category 2		
Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)	Category 1 (blood)		
Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure)	Category 1 (blood)		

	Aspiration hazard	classification not possible
Environmental hazards	Hazardous to the aquatic environment, short-term (acute)	No classification
	Hazardous to the aquatic environment, long-term (chronic)	No classification
	Hazardous to the ozone layer	classification not possible

Hazard pictograms (GHS JP)



GHS03



GHS08

Signal word (GHS JP)	:	Danger
Hazard statements (GHS JP)	:	May intensify fire; oxidizer (H272) Suspected of damaging fertility or the unborn child (H361) Causes damage to organs (blood) (H370) Causes damage to organs (blood) through prolonged or repeated exposure (H372)
Precautionary statements (GHS JP)	:	
Prevention	:	Obtain special instructions before use. (P201) Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. (P202) Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking. (P210) Keep away from clothing and other combustible materials. (P220) Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray. (P260) Wash hands, forearms and face thoroughly after handling. (P264) Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. (P270) Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection. (P280)
Response	:	IF exposed or concerned: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor. (P308+P311) Get medical advice/attention if you feel unwell. (P314) In case of fire: Use specify appropriate media to extinguish. (P370+P378)
Storage	:	Store locked up. (P405)
Disposal	:	Dispose of contents/container to hazardous or special waste collection point, in accordance with local, regional, national and/or international regulation. (P501)

3. Composition/information on ingredients

Distinction of substance or mixture	:	Substance
Synonyms	:	Niter

Name	Concentration or Concentration range	Formula	Kanpo number		CAS RN
			CSCL no	ISHL no	
Potassium nitrate	≥99.0%, ≤100%	KNO3	(1)-449	Existing Chemical Substance	7757-79-1

The above concentration or concentration range are not product specification.
All percentages listed in the above concentration or concentration range are wt%, unless otherwise specified.

4. First aid measures

First aid measures

First-aid measures after inhalation	:	Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Get immediate medical advice/attention.
First-aid measures after skin contact	:	Remove/Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Gently wash with plenty of soap and water. Get immediate medical advice/attention.

- First-aid measures after eye contact : IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
Get immediate medical advice/attention.
- First-aid measures after ingestion : Rinse mouth.
Get immediate medical advice/attention.

5. Fire fighting measures

- Suitable extinguishing media : Water spray
- Unsuitable extinguishing media : Foam, Dry powder, Do not use a heavy water stream.
- Fire hazard : This product is unburnable.
May intensify fire; oxidizer.
- Explosion hazard : May induce explosion of containers by heating.
- Hazardous decomposition products in case of fire : In case of fire, product may produce irritative or toxic fumes/gases.
- Firefighting instructions : If ignited, for the initial fire-fighting, cut off combustion sources, extinguish fire at a stroke using appropriate fire-extinguishers.
In the case of peripheral fire, quickly remove movable containers to safe places.
If unable to be moved containers, sprinkle water to containers and surrounding equipment, etc. to cool.
Even after extinguishing fire, thoroughly cool containers by using plenty of water.
- Protection during firefighting : Wear appropriate fire-resistant clothing including self contained-compressed air breathing apparatus.

6. Accidental release measures

Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment and Emergency Procedures

- General measures : Before entering, ventilate the area.
Do not let unauthorized persons come close to the area.
Immediately place the leakage area in isolation, with taking proper distances for all directions.
Wear appropriate personal protective devices to prevent inhalation and contact with eye, skin, and clothing, and never attempt to work on the lee.

Environmental precautions

- Environmental precautions : Avoid release to the environment.
Prevent entry to sewers and public waters.

Methods and Equipment for Containment and Cleaning up

- Methods for cleaning up : Take care not to generate dust, sweep it up as much as possible, collect it in an empty container that can be sealed, and move it to a safe place.
Wash out the spilled area with large amounts of water.

7. Handling and storage

Handling

- Technical measures : Work with appropriate personal protective equipment to prevent inhalation or contact to eyes, skin, and clothing.
Handle with care to prevent leakage, overflowing, or scattering, minimize generation of mist or vapor, and thoroughly ventilate.
- Precautions for safe handling : Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
Thoroughly wash your hands and gargle after handling.
Ensure good ventilation of the work station.
Do not contact, breathe or swallow.
- Prevents handling of incompatible substances or mixtures : Avoid prolonged or repeated exposure.

Storage

- Storage conditions : Store locked up.
Store in a well-ventilated place, away from direct sunlight. Keep container tightly closed and keep away from fire and heat sources.

Material used in packaging/containers	:	Airtight container.
Technical measures	:	Comply with applicable regulations.
Storage temperature	:	Cool and dark place

8. Exposure controls / Personal protection equipment

Appropriate engineering controls : Cover up tightly the generation source at the handling place or install local exhaust equipment or overall ventilation equipment. Install safety showers and eye-fountains near a handling place. Clearly indicate the location.

Protective equipment

Respiratory protection	:	Dustproof mask
Hand protection	:	Impervious protective gloves
Eye protection	:	Protective glasses (general glasses, glasses with side-shields, goggles)
Skin and body protection	:	Impervious aprons, Impervious work clothing, Impervious long boots

9. Physical and chemical properties

Physical state	:	Solid
Appearance	:	Crystals ~ Crystalline powder
Color	:	colorless ~ white
Odor	:	Odorless
pH	:	No data available
Melting point	:	339 °C
Freezing point	:	No data available
Boiling point	:	No data available
Flash point	:	No data available
Auto-ignition temperature	:	No data available
Decomposition temperature	:	No data available
Flammability	:	No data available
Vapor pressure	:	No data available
Relative density	:	No data available
Density	:	2.10 g/cm ³ (20°C)
Relative gas density	:	No data available
Solubility	:	Soluble in water. Soluble in glycerol. Sparingly soluble in alcohol.
Partition coefficient n-octanol/water (Log Pow)	:	No data available
Explosive limits (vol %)	:	No data available
Viscosity, kinematic	:	No data available
Particle characteristics	:	No data available

10. Stability and reactivity

Reactivity	:	No data available
Chemical stability	:	Stable under normal handling conditions.
Possibility of hazardous reactions	:	Decomposes at red heat and evolves oxygen to produce potassium nitrite. When in contact with reducing agents, poses a risk of fire and explosion. When mixed with combustible substances or organic impurities, it easily ignites and may explode due to heating or impact. When mixed with sulfur, poses a risk of explosion. Ignites when mixed with red phosphorus, aluminum, magnesium, etc.
Conditions to avoid	:	Sunlight, heat. Contact with combustible substances, strong acids, reducing agents, sulfur, red phosphorus, aluminium and magnesium.
Incompatible materials	:	Combustible substances, Strong acids, Reducing agents, Sulfur, Red phosphorus, Aluminium, Magnesium
Hazardous decomposition products	:	Potassium nitrite, Nitrogen oxides

11. Toxicological information

The information in this section is based on the "GHS Classification Results" by NITE.

Potassium nitrate	
Acute toxicity (oral)	No classification
Acute toxicity (dermal)	classification not possible
Acute toxicity (gas)	No classification
Acute toxicity (vapour)	classification not possible
Acute toxicity (inhalation:dust/mist)	classification not possible
Skin corrosion/irritation	classification not possible
Serious eye damage/irritation	classification not possible
Respiratory sensitization	classification not possible
Skin sensitization	classification not possible
Germ cell mutagenicity	classification not possible
Carcinogenicity	classification not possible
Reproductive toxicity	Category 2
STOT-single exposure	Category 1
STOT-repeated exposure	Category 1
Aspiration hazard	classification not possible

12. Ecological information

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Potassium nitrate	
Hazardous to Aquatic Environment - Acute Hazard	No classification
Hazardous to Aquatic Environment - Chronic Hazard	No classification
Persistence and degradability	No data available
Bioaccumulative potential	No data available
Mobility in soil	No data available
Hazardous to the ozone layer	classification not possible

13. Disposal considerations

- Ecology - waste materials : With the detail information of the waste, subcontract its disposal to a waste disposer authorized by a Prefectural Governor.
- Contaminated container and packaging : Empty the packaging completely prior to disposal.
Empty containers should be taken for recycle, recovery or waste in accordance with local regulation.

14. Transport information

International Regulations

Transport by sea(IMDG)

UN-No. (IMDG)	: 1486
Proper Shipping Name (IMDG)	: POTASSIUM NITRATE
Packing group (IMDG)	: III
Transport hazard class(es) (IMDG)	: 5.1
Hazard labels (IMDG)	: 5.1
Class (IMDG)	: 5.1
Division (IMDG)	: 5.1
Special provision (IMDG)	: 964, 967
Limited quantities (IMDG)	: 5 kg
Excepted quantities (IMDG)	: E1
Packing instructions (IMDG)	: P002, LP02
IBC packing instructions (IMDG)	: IBC08
IBC special provisions (IMDG)	: B3
Tank instructions (IMDG)	: T1, BK2, BK3
Tank special provisions (IMDG)	: TP33
Stowage category (IMDG)	: A

Properties and observations (IMDG)	: White crystals or powder. Soluble in water. Mixtures with combustible material are readily ignited and may burn fiercely. Harmful if swallowed.
MFAG-No	: 140
Air transport(IATA)	
UN-No. (IATA)	: 1486
Proper Shipping Name (IATA)	: Potassium nitrate
Packing group (IATA)	: III
Transport hazard class(es) (IATA)	: 5.1
Hazard labels (IATA)	: 5.1
Class (IATA)	: 5.1
Division (IATA)	: 5.1
PCA Excepted quantities (IATA)	: E1
PCA Limited quantities (IATA)	: Y546
PCA limited quantity max net quantity (IATA)	: 10kg
PCA packing instructions (IATA)	: 559
PCA max net quantity (IATA)	: 25kg
CAO packing instructions (IATA)	: 563
CAO max net quantity (IATA)	: 100kg
Special provision (IATA)	: A803
ERG code (IATA)	: 5L
Marine pollutant	: Not applicable
Regulations in Japan	
Regulatory information by sea	: Conform to the provisions of the Ship Safety Law.
Regulatory information by air	: Conform to the provisions of the Civil Aeronautics Law.
MFAG-No	: 140
Special transport precautions	: When transporting, load containers so that they do not tip over, damage, drop or collapse. Make sure there is no leak in containers.

15. Regulatory information

National law

Industrial Safety and Health Law	: Dangerous Substances - Oxidizing Substance (Enforcement Order Attached Table 1 Item 3) 【Date of enforcement: April 1, 2025】 Dangerous or Harmful Substances for Labeling of Chemical Name etc. (Act Art.57 Para.1, Enforcement Order, Art.18) Dangerous or Harmful Substances for Notification of Chemical Name etc. on SDS (Act, Art.57-2, Enforcement Order, Art.18-2) Potassium nitrate
Japanese Poisonous and Deleterious Substances Control Law	: Not applicable
Water Pollution Prevention Law	: Hazardous Substances (Act, Art.2, Enforcement Order Art.2, Ministerial Ordinance to Provide for Effluent Standards, Art.1)
Fire Service Law	: Group 1 - Oxidizing solids - Nitrates (Law Art.2 Para.7, Attached Table 1, Group 1)
Foreign Exchange and Foreign Trade Control Act	: Export Trade Control Ordinance appendix 1-16
Ship Safety Act	: Oxidizing substances and organic peroxides/Oxidizing substances (Dangerous Goods Notification Schedule first second and third Article Dangerous Goods Regulations)
Civil Aeronautics Law	: Oxidizing substances and organic peroxides/Oxidizing substances (Hazardous materials notice Appended Table 1 Article 194 of the Enforcement Regulations)
Port Regulation Law	: Oxidizing substances and organic peroxides/Oxidizing substances (Article 21, Paragraph 2 of Law, Article 12 rule, notice attached table that defines the type of dangerous goods)
Road Act	: Restriction for Vehicle Traffic (Enforcement Order Art.19-13, Publication of Japan Highway Public Corp.)
Waterworks Law	: Hazardous Substances (Act Article 4 paragraph 2), Standard for Water Quality (Ministry Order No.101 of 2003)
Japanese Pollutant Release and Transfer Register Law (PRTR Law)	: Not applicable

16. Other information

- Data sources : Handbook of 17423 Chemical Products, The Chemical Daily Co, Ltd.
International Chemical Safety Cards.
National Institute of Technology and Evaluation (NITE).
2020 Emergency Response Guidebook (ERG 2020).
- Other information : The SDS is copyrighted material of Hayashi Pure Chemical Ind, Ltd.
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