

Material Safety Data Sheet

Potassium oxalate monohydrate, p.a.

ACC# 96431

Section 1 - Chemical Product and Company Identification

MSDS Name: Potassium oxalate monohydrate, p.a.

Catalog Numbers: AC207710000, AC207710250, AC207715000

Synonyms: Oxalic acid, dipotassium salt, monohydrate; Ethanedioic acid, dipotassium salt, monohydrate; Dipotassium oxalate monohydrate.

Company Identification:

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Fair Lawn, NJ 07410

For information in North America, call: 800-ACROS-01

For emergencies in the US, call CHEMTREC: 800-424-9300

Section 2 - Composition, Information on Ingredients

CAS#	Chemical Name	Percent	EINECS/ELINCS
6487-48-5	Potassium oxalate monohydrate	> 99	unlisted
583-52-8	Potassium oxalate anhydrous	-	209-506-8

Hazard Symbols: XN

Risk Phrases: 21/22

Section 3 - Hazards Identification

EMERGENCY OVERVIEW

Appearance: white crystals. May cause kidney damage. Hygroscopic (absorbs moisture from the air). May cause severe digestive tract irritation with possible burns. Harmful in contact with skin and if swallowed. **Warning!** May cause eye and skin irritation with possible burns. May cause severe respiratory tract irritation with possible burns.

Target Organs: Kidneys, heart, eyes, skin, brain, nerves, mucous membranes.

Potential Health Effects

Eye: May cause eye irritation. May result in corneal injury.

Skin: Harmful if absorbed through the skin. Oxalate is an irritant and may cause dermatitis. Skin lesions begin with epithelial cracking and the formation of slow-healing ulcers. The fingers may appear cyanotic.

Ingestion: Ulcerations of the mouth, vomiting of blood, and rapid appearance of shock, convulsions, twitching, tetany, and cardiovascular collapse may occur following ingestion of oxalic acid or its soluble salts. Systemic effects may be due to formation of calcium oxalate which is insoluble at physiological pH and can be deposited in the brain and kidney tubules. Resultant hypocalcemia might disturb the function of the heart and nerves. Mean lethal dose for oxalates in adults is estimated at 10 - 30 grams (143 - 428 mg/kg).

Inhalation: Inhalation of oxalic acid produces irritation of the respiratory tract, ulceration of the mucous membranes, headaches, nervousness, cough, vomiting, emaciation, back pain (due to kidney injury), and weakness.

Chronic: Inhalation of oxalic acid dust or mist over a long period of time might result in weight loss and respiratory tract inflammation. Rats administered oxalic acid at 2.5 and 5% in the diet for 70 days developed depressed thyroid function and weight loss. A study of railroad car cleaners in Norway who were heavily exposed to oxalic acid solutions and vapors revealed a 53% prevalence of urolithiasis (the formation of urinary stones), compared to a rate of 12% among unexposed workers from the same company.

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 immediately.

Skin: In case of contact, immediately flush skin with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes while removing contaminated clothing and shoes. Get medical aid immediately. Wash clothing before reuse.

Ingestion: If swallowed, do NOT induce vomiting. Get medical aid immediately. If victim is fully conscious, give a cupful of water. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.

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.

Antidote: Intravenous administration of calcium gluconate or calcium chloride may be required if hypocalcemia or hypocalcemic tetany occur.

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. During a fire, irritating and highly toxic gases may be generated by thermal decomposition or combustion. Use water spray to keep fire-exposed containers cool.

Extinguishing Media: Use water spray, dry chemical, carbon dioxide, or appropriate foam.

Flash Point: Not applicable.

Autoignition Temperature: Not applicable.

Explosion Limits, Lower: Not available.

Upper: Not available.

NFPA Rating: (estimated) Health: 2; Flammability: 0; Instability: 0

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. Clean up spills immediately, observing precautions in the Protective Equipment section. Avoid generating dusty conditions. Flush spill area with water. Provide ventilation.

Section 7 - Handling and Storage

Handling: Wash thoroughly after handling. Remove contaminated clothing and wash before reuse. Minimize dust generation and accumulation. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Keep container tightly closed. Do not ingest or inhale. Discard contaminated shoes. Use only with adequate ventilation.

Storage: Store in a tightly closed container. Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area away from incompatible substances. Store protected from moisture. Oxalates slowly corrode steel.

Section 8 - Exposure Controls, Personal Protection

Engineering Controls: Facilities storing or utilizing this material should be equipped with an eyewash facility and a safety shower. Use adequate ventilation to keep airborne concentrations low.

Exposure Limits

Chemical Name	ACGIH	NIOSH	OSHA - Final PELs
Potassium oxalate monohydrate	none listed	none listed	none listed
Potassium oxalate anhydrous	none listed	none listed	none listed

OSHA Vacated PELs: Potassium oxalate monohydrate: No OSHA Vacated PELs are listed for this chemical. Potassium oxalate anhydrous: No OSHA Vacated PELs are listed for this chemical.

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: Wear appropriate protective gloves to prevent skin exposure.

Clothing: Wear appropriate protective clothing to prevent skin exposure.

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 a respirator's use.

Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties

Physical State: Crystals

Appearance: white

Odor: odorless

pH: neutral in solution

Vapor Pressure: Negligible.

Vapor Density: Negligible.

Evaporation Rate: Negligible.

Viscosity: Not available.

Boiling Point: Not available.

Freezing/Melting Point: 356 deg C

Decomposition Temperature: Not available.

Solubility: 364 G/L IN WATER (20°C)

Specific Gravity/Density: 2.13

Molecular Formula: C2O4K2.H2O

Molecular Weight: 184.24

Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

Chemical Stability: Stable.

Conditions to Avoid: Dust generation, moisture, excess heat, Oxalates slowly corrode steel..

Incompatibilities with Other Materials: Strong oxidizing agents.

Hazardous Decomposition Products: Carbon monoxide, irritating and toxic fumes and gases, carbon dioxide, formic acid, dipotassium oxide.

Hazardous Polymerization: Will not occur.

Section 11 - Toxicological Information

RTECS#:

CAS# 6487-48-5 unlisted.

CAS# 583-52-8: RO2885000

LD50/LC50:

Not available.
Not available.

Carcinogenicity:

CAS# 6487-48-5: Not listed by ACGIH, IARC, NIOSH, NTP, or OSHA. CAS# 583-52-8: Not listed by ACGIH, IARC, NIOSH, NTP, or OSHA.

Epidemiology: No information available.

Teratogenicity: No information available.

Reproductive Effects: No information available.

Neurotoxicity: No information available.

Mutagenicity: No information available.

Other Studies: No information available.

Section 12 - Ecological Information

No information available.

Section 13 - Disposal Considerations

Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. US EPA guidelines for the classification determination are listed in 40 CFR Parts 261.3. Additionally, waste generators must consult state and local hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

RCRA P-Series: None listed.

RCRA U-Series: None listed.

Section 14 - Transport Information

	US DOT	IATA	RID/ADR	IMO	Canada TDG
Shipping Name:	DOT regulated - small quantity provisions apply (see 49CFR173.4)				No information available.
Hazard Class:					
UN Number:					
Packing Group:					

Section 15 - Regulatory Information

US FEDERAL

TSCA

CAS# 6487-48-5 is not listed on the TSCA inventory. It is for research and development use only.

CAS# 583-52-8 is listed on the TSCA inventory.

Health & Safety Reporting List

None of the chemicals are on the Health & Safety Reporting List.

Chemical Test Rules

None of the chemicals in this product are under a Chemical Test Rule.

Section 12b

None of the chemicals are listed under TSCA Section 12b.

TSCA Significant New Use Rule

None of the chemicals in this material have a SNUR under TSCA.

SARA**CERCLA Hazardous Substances and corresponding RQs**

None of the chemicals in this material have an RQ.

SARA Section 302 Extremely Hazardous Substances

None of the chemicals in this product have a TPQ.

SARA Codes

CAS # 6487-48-5: acute, chronic. CAS # 583-52-8: acute, chronic.

Section 313

No chemicals are reportable under Section 313.

Clean Air Act:

This material does not contain any hazardous air pollutants. This material does not contain any Class 1 Ozone depleters. This material does not contain any Class 2 Ozone depleters.

Clean Water Act:

None of the chemicals in this product are listed as Hazardous Substances under the CWA. None of the chemicals in this product are listed as Priority Pollutants under the CWA. None of the chemicals in this product are listed as Toxic Pollutants under the CWA.

OSHA:

None of the chemicals in this product are considered highly hazardous by OSHA.

STATE

CAS# 6487-48-5 is not present on state lists from CA, PA, MN, MA, FL, or NJ.

CAS# 583-52-8 is not present on state lists from CA, PA, MN, MA, FL, or NJ.

California No Significant Risk Level: None of the chemicals in this product are listed.

European/International Regulations

European Labeling in Accordance with EC Directives**Hazard Symbols:**

XN

Risk Phrases:

R 21/22 Harmful in contact with skin and if swallowed.

Safety Phrases:

S 24/25 Avoid contact with skin and eyes.

WGK (Water Danger/Protection)

CAS# 6487-48-5: 1

CAS# 583-52-8: No information available.

Canada - DSL/NDSL

CAS# 583-52-8 is listed on Canada's DSL List.

Canada - WHMIS

This product has a WHMIS classification of D2B, D1B.

Canadian Ingredient Disclosure List**Exposure Limits**

Section 16 - Additional Information

MSDS Creation Date: 12/05/1998

Revision #4 Date: 5/24/2001

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