

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

## 1. Identification

**Product name** Potassium hydroxide solution

**Other means of identification** No data available.

**Recommended use:** Additive

**Restrictions on use:** Industrial use only

### Manufacturer/Importer/Supplier/Distributor Information

#### Manufacturer

Company Name: Fuchs Lubricants Co.  
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Contact Person: EHS Department  
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## 2. Hazard(s) identification

### Hazard Classification

#### Physical Hazards

Corrosive to metal Category 1

#### Health Hazards

Acute toxicity (Oral) Category 4  
Skin Corrosion/Irritation Category 1A  
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation Category 1

### Label Elements

#### Hazard Symbol:



**Signal Word:** Danger

**Hazard Statement:** Harmful if swallowed.  
Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

**Precautionary Statements**

**Prevention:** Wash thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection. Keep only in original packaging.

**Response:** IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water [or shower]. IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTRE/doctor/... if you feel unwell. Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting. Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor. Specific treatment (see in product SDS). Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. Absorb spillage to prevent material damage.

**Storage:** Store locked up. Store in a corrosion-resistant/... container with a resistant inner liner.

**Disposal:** Dispose of contents/container to an appropriate treatment and disposal facility in accordance with applicable laws and regulations, and product characteristics at time of disposal.

**Other hazards which do not result in GHS classification:** None.

**Unknown toxicity - Health**

Acute toxicity, oral	0 %
Acute toxicity, dermal	0 %
Acute toxicity, inhalation, vapor	100 %
Acute toxicity, inhalation, dust or mist	100 %

### 3. Composition/information on ingredients

**Hazardous Component(s):**

Chemical name	CAS-No.	Concentration
Potassium hydroxide	1310-58-3	60 - 100%

Specific chemical identities and/or exact percentages have been withheld as trade secrets.

#### 4. First-aid measures

<b>Ingestion:</b>	Rinse mouth. Call a physician or poison control center immediately. Never give liquid to an unconscious person. Do not induce vomiting without advice from poison control center.
<b>Inhalation:</b>	Call a physician or poison control center immediately. If breathing stops, provide artificial respiration. Move to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen.
<b>Skin Contact:</b>	Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Wash contact areas with soap and water. If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention. Call a physician or poison control center immediately. Immediately flush with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes while removing contaminated clothing and shoes. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.
<b>Eye contact:</b>	Immediately flush with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. If easy to do, remove contact lenses. Call a physician or poison control center immediately.

#### Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed

**Symptoms:** No data available.

#### Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

**Treatment:** Symptoms may be delayed.

#### 5. Fire-fighting measures

**General Fire Hazards:** No unusual fire or explosion hazards noted.

#### Suitable (and unsuitable) extinguishing media

**Suitable extinguishing media:** Water spray, fog, CO<sub>2</sub>, dry chemical, or regular foam. Use fire-extinguishing media appropriate for surrounding materials.

**Unsuitable extinguishing media:** Do not use water jet as an extinguisher, as this will spread the fire.

**Specific hazards arising from the chemical:** Heat may cause the containers to explode. During fire, gases hazardous to health may be formed.

#### Special protective equipment and precautions for firefighters

**Special fire fighting procedures:** No data available.

**Special protective equipment for fire-fighters:** Firefighters must use standard protective equipment including flame retardant coat, helmet with face shield, gloves, rubber boots, and in enclosed spaces, SCBA.

## 6. Accidental release measures

**Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures:** See Section 8 of the SDS for Personal Protective Equipment. Do not touch damaged containers or spilled material unless wearing appropriate protective clothing. Keep unauthorized personnel away.

**Methods and material for containment and cleaning up:** Absorb spill with vermiculite or other inert material, then place in a container for chemical waste. Dike far ahead of larger spill for later recovery and disposal.

**Environmental Precautions:** Do not contaminate water sources or sewer. Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so.

## 7. Handling and storage

**Precautions for safe handling:** Do not taste or swallow. Wash hands thoroughly after handling. Use caution when adding this material to water. Add material slowly when mixing with water. Do not add water to the material; instead, add the material to the water. Do not get in eyes, on skin, on clothing. Observe good industrial hygiene practices. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment. Do not expose to intense heat as product may expand and pressurize container.

**Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities:** Store in a corrosion-resistant container with a resistant inner liner. Store locked up.

## 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

### Exposure Limits

Chemical name	Type	Exposure Limit Values	Source
Potassium hydroxide	Ceiling	2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (03 2012)

**Protective Measures:** Provide easy access to water supply and eye wash facilities. Good general ventilation (typically 10 air changes per hour) should be used. Ventilation rates should be matched to conditions. If applicable, use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to maintain airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If exposure limits have not been established, maintain airborne levels to an acceptable level.

**Respiratory Protection:** In case of inadequate ventilation use suitable respirator. Seek advice from supervisor on the company's respiratory protection standards.

**Eye Protection:** Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles).

<b>Skin and Body Protection:</b>	Wear chemical-resistant gloves, footwear, and protective clothing appropriate for the risk of exposure. Contact health and safety professional or manufacturer for specific information.
<b>Hygiene measures:</b>	Always observe good personal hygiene measures, such as washing after handling the material and before eating, drinking, and/or smoking. Routinely wash work clothing to remove contaminants. Discard contaminated footwear that cannot be cleaned.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

### Appearance

<b>Physical state:</b>	liquid
<b>Form:</b>	No data available.
<b>Color:</b>	Colorless
<b>Odor:</b>	Odorless
<b>Odor threshold:</b>	No data available.
<b>pH:</b>	> 13
<b>Melting point/freezing point:</b>	No data available.
<b>Initial boiling point and boiling range:</b>	133 °C
<b>Flash Point:</b>	Not applicable
<b>Evaporation rate:</b>	No data available.
<b>Flammability (solid, gas):</b>	No data available.
<b>Upper/lower limit on flammability or explosive limits</b>	
<b>Flammability limit - upper (%):</b>	No data available.
<b>Flammability limit - lower (%):</b>	No data available.
<b>Explosive limit - upper (%):</b>	No data available.
<b>Explosive limit - lower (%):</b>	No data available.
<b>Vapor pressure:</b>	8.5 hPa
<b>Vapor density:</b>	No data available.
<b>Relative density:</b>	1.453
<b>Solubility(ies)</b>	
<b>Solubility in water:</b>	Soluble
<b>Solubility (other):</b>	No data available.
<b>Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water):</b>	No data available.
<b>Auto-ignition temperature:</b>	No data available.
<b>Decomposition temperature:</b>	No data available.
<b>Viscosity:</b>	No data available.
<b>VOC:</b>	0 %

## 10. Stability and reactivity

<b>Reactivity:</b>	Not reactive during normal use.
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<b>Chemical Stability:</b>	Material is stable under normal conditions.
<b>Possibility of hazardous reactions:</b>	None under normal conditions.
<b>Conditions to avoid:</b>	Avoid heat or contamination.
<b>Incompatible Materials:</b>	No data available.
<b>Hazardous Decomposition Products:</b>	Thermal decomposition or combustion may liberate carbon oxides and other toxic gases or vapors.

## 11. Toxicological information

### Information on likely routes of exposure

<b>Ingestion:</b>	Harmful if swallowed.
<b>Inhalation:</b>	Harmful if inhaled.
<b>Skin Contact:</b>	Causes severe skin burns.
<b>Eye contact:</b>	Causes serious eye damage.

### Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics

<b>Ingestion:</b>	No data available.
<b>Inhalation:</b>	No data available.
<b>Skin Contact:</b>	No data available.
<b>Eye contact:</b>	No data available.

### Information on toxicological effects

#### Acute toxicity (list all possible routes of exposure)

<b>Oral</b>	
<b>Product:</b>	ATEmix (): 300 - 2000 mg/kg
<b>Dermal</b>	
<b>Product:</b>	ATEmix (): 2000 - 5000 mg/kg
<b>Inhalation</b>	
<b>Product:</b>	No data available.
<b>Repeated dose toxicity</b>	
<b>Product:</b>	No data available.

### Skin Corrosion/Irritation

**Product:** No data available.

**Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation**

**Product:** No data available.

**Respiratory or Skin Sensitization**

**Product:** No data available.

**Carcinogenicity**

**Product:** No data available.

**IARC Monographs on the Evaluation of Carcinogenic Risks to Humans:**

No carcinogenic components identified

**US. National Toxicology Program (NTP) Report on Carcinogens:**

No carcinogenic components identified

**US. OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1050):**

No carcinogenic components identified

**Germ Cell Mutagenicity**

**In vitro**

**Product:** No data available.

**In vivo**

**Product:** No data available.

**Reproductive toxicity**

**Product:** No data available.

**Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Single Exposure**

**Product:** No data available.

**Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Repeated Exposure**

**Product:** No data available.

**Aspiration Hazard**

**Product:** No data available.

**Other effects:** No data available.

## 12. Ecological information

**General information:** This product has not been evaluated for ecological toxicity or other environmental effects.

## 13. Disposal considerations

**Disposal instructions:** Discharge, treatment, or disposal may be subject to national, state, or local laws. Dispose of waste at an appropriate treatment and disposal facility in accordance with applicable laws and regulations, and product characteristics at time of disposal. It is the responsibility of the product user or owner to determine at the time of disposal, which waste regulations must be applied.

**Contaminated Packaging:** Empty containers should be taken to an approved waste handling site for recycling or disposal.

## 14. Transport information

### DOT

UN Number:	UN 1814
UN Proper Shipping Name:	Potassium hydroxide, solution
Transport Hazard Class(es)	
Class:	8
Label(s):	8
Packing Group:	II
Marine Pollutant:	No

Special precautions for user: —

### IMDG

UN Number:	UN 1814
UN Proper Shipping Name:	POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION
Transport Hazard Class(es)	
Class:	8
Label(s):	8
EmS No.:	F-A, S-B
Packing Group:	II
Marine Pollutant:	Not regulated.
Special precautions for user:	—

### IATA

UN Number:	UN 1814
Proper Shipping Name:	Potassium hydroxide solution
Transport Hazard Class(es):	
Class:	8
Label(s):	8
Packing Group:	II
Environmental Hazards	Not regulated.
Special precautions for user:	—
Other information	
Passenger and cargo aircraft:	Allowed.
Cargo aircraft only:	Allowed.

## 15. Regulatory information

### US Federal Regulations



**US. OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1050)**

None present or none present in regulated quantities.

**Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA)**

**Hazard categories**

Acute toxicity (any route of exposure)

Skin Corrosion or Irritation

Serious eye damage or eye irritation

**SARA 313 (TRI Reporting)**

None present or none present in regulated quantities.

**US State Regulations**

**US. California Proposition 65**

No ingredient requiring a warning under CA Prop 65.

<b>16. Other information, including date of preparation or last revision</b>
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**Further Information:** No data available.

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