



## Potassium acetate

P301 + P312 - IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor if you feel unwell

**Storage**

P403 + P233 - Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed

**Disposal**

P501 - Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant

**Physical and Chemical Hazards**

Hygroscopic. Dust can form an explosive mixture with air.

**Health Hazards**

May be harmful if swallowed.

**Environmental hazards**

Contains no substances known to be hazardous to the environment or not degradable in waste water treatment plants. Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its water solubility. The product is water soluble, and may spread in water systems.

This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors.

**SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

Component	CAS No	Weight %
Potassium acetate	127-08-2	>95

**SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES****Eye Contact**

Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.

**Skin Contact**

Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention immediately if symptoms occur.

**Inhalation**

Remove to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical attention immediately if symptoms occur.

**Ingestion**

Do NOT induce vomiting. Get medical attention.

**Most important symptoms and effects**

No information available.

**Self-Protection of the First Aider**

No special precautions required.

**Notes to Physician**

Treat symptomatically.

**SECTION 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES****Suitable Extinguishing Media**

Water spray, carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), dry chemical, alcohol-resistant foam.

**Extinguishing media which must not be used for safety reasons**

No information available.

**Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical**

Dust can form an explosive mixture with air. Keep product and empty container away from heat and sources of ignition.

**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.

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**SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES****Personal Precautions**

Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protective equipment as required. Avoid dust formation.

**Environmental Precautions**

Should not be released into the environment. See Section 12 for additional Ecological Information.

**Methods for Containment and Clean Up**

Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Avoid dust formation.

Refer to protective measures listed in Sections 8 and 13.

**SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE****Handling**

Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Avoid ingestion and inhalation. Avoid dust formation. Protect from moisture.

**Storage**

Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place.

**Specific Use(s)**

Use in laboratories

**SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION****Control Parameters****Monitoring methods**

BS EN 14042:2003 Title Identifier: Workplace atmospheres. Guide for the application and use of procedures for the assessment of exposure to chemical and biological agents. MDHS14/3 General methods for sampling and gravimetric analysis of respirable and inhalable dust

**Exposure Controls****Engineering Measures**

None under normal use conditions.

**Personal protective equipment**

**Eye Protection** Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles) (European standard - EN 166)

**Hand Protection** Protective gloves

Glove material	Breakthrough time	Glove thickness	EU standard	Glove comments
Nitrile rubber	See manufacturers	-	EN 374	(minimum requirement)
Neoprene	recommendations			
Natural rubber				
PVC				
Butyl rubber				

Inspect gloves before use.

Please observe the instructions regarding permeability and breakthrough time which are provided by the supplier of the gloves. (Refer to manufacturer/supplier for information)

Ensure gloves are suitable for the task: Chemical compatibility, Dexterity, Operational conditions, User susceptibility, e.g. sensitisation effects, also take into consideration the specific local conditions under which the product is used, such as the danger

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of cuts, abrasion.

Remove gloves with care avoiding skin contamination.

<b>Skin and body protection</b>	Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure
<b>Respiratory Protection</b>	No protective equipment is needed under normal use conditions.
<b>Large scale/emergency use</b>	Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 136 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced <b>Recommended Filter type:</b> Particle filter
<b>Small scale/Laboratory use</b>	Maintain adequate ventilation <b>Recommended half mask:-</b> Valve filtering: EN405; or; Half mask: EN140; plus filter, EN 141

**Hygiene Measures** Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

**Environmental exposure controls** No information available.

### SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

<b>Appearance</b>	White	
<b>Physical State</b>	Solid	
<b>Odor</b>	Odorless	
<b>Odor Threshold</b>	No data available	
<b>pH</b>	7.0-8.0	1% aq. sol
<b>Melting Point/Range</b>	292 °C / 557.6 °F	
<b>Softening Point</b>	No data available	
<b>Boiling Point/Range</b>	392 °C	Estimated
<b>Flash Point</b>	Not applicable	<b>Method -</b>
<b>Evaporation Rate</b>	Not applicable	Solid
<b>Flammability (solid,gas)</b>	No information available	
<b>Explosion Limits</b>	No data available	
<b>Vapor Pressure</b>	No information available	
<b>Vapor Density</b>	Not applicable	Solid
<b>Specific Gravity / Density</b>	No data available	
<b>Bulk Density</b>	~1.8 g/cm <sup>3</sup>	
<b>Water Solubility</b>	2560 g/l (25°C)	
<b>Solubility in other solvents</b>	Soluble : Ethanol solution, Methanol	
<b>Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)</b>		
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	No data available	
<b>Decomposition Temperature</b>	No data available	
<b>Viscosity</b>	Not applicable	Solid
<b>Explosive Properties</b>	No information available	
<b>Oxidizing Properties</b>	No information available	
<b>Molecular Formula</b>	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>3</sub> K O <sub>2</sub>	
<b>Molecular Weight</b>	98.14	

### SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

<b>Stability</b>	Hygroscopic. Absorbs moisture from air and becomes liquid.
<b>Hazardous Reactions</b>	None under normal processing.

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<b>Hazardous Polymerization</b>	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
<b>Conditions to Avoid</b>	Incompatible products. Excess heat. Avoid dust formation. Exposure to moist air or water.
<b>Materials to avoid</b>	Strong oxidizing agents.
<b>Hazardous Decomposition Products</b>	Carbon monoxide (CO). Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ). Potassium oxides.

## SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

## Product Information

## (a) acute toxicity;

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Potassium acetate	LD50 = 3250 mg/kg ( Rat )	LD50 > 20000 mg/kg ( Rabbit )	

(b) skin corrosion/irritation; Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

(c) serious eye damage/irritation; Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

## (d) respiratory or skin sensitization;

Respiratory  
Skin

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met  
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(e) germ cell mutagenicity; Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

## (f) carcinogenicity;

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met  
There are no known carcinogenic chemicals in this product

(g) reproductive toxicity; Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

(h) STOT-single exposure; Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

(i) STOT-repeated exposure; Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Target Organs

None known.

## (j) aspiration hazard;

Not applicable  
Solid

## Other Adverse Effects

See actual entry in RTECS for complete information The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.

Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed No information available

## SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

## Ecotoxicity effects

Component	Freshwater Fish	Water Flea	Freshwater Algae	Microtox
Potassium acetate	LC50: = 6800 mg/L, 96h			

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	semi-static (Oncorhynchus mykiss)			
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**Persistence and Degradability Persistence** Readily biodegradable  
Soluble in water, Persistence is unlikely, based on information available.

**Bioaccumulative Potential** Bioaccumulation is unlikely

**Mobility in soil** The product is water soluble, and may spread in water systems Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its water solubility Highly mobile in soils

**Endocrine Disruptor Information** This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors  
**Persistent Organic Pollutant** This product does not contain any known or suspected substance  
**Ozone Depletion Potential** This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

## SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

**Waste from Residues/Unused Products** Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. Consult local, regional, and national hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

**Contaminated Packaging** Empty remaining contents. Dispose of in accordance with local regulations. Do not re-use empty containers.

**Other Information** Waste codes should be assigned by the user based on the application for which the product was used.

## SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

**Road and Rail Transport** Not Regulated

**IMDG/IMO** Not regulated

**IATA** Not regulated

**Special Precautions for User** No special precautions required

## SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

## International Inventories

X = listed, China (IECSC), Europe (EINECS/ELINCS/NLP), U.S.A. (TSCA), Canada (DSL/NDSL), Philippines (PICCS), Japan (ENCS), Japan (ISHL), Australia (AICS), Korea (KECL).

Component	The Inventory of Hazardous Chemicals (2015 Edition)	List of dangerous goods GB 12268 - 2012	TCSI	IECSC	EINECS	TSCA	DSL	PICCS	ENCS	ISHL	AICS	KECL
Potassium acetate	-	-	X	X	204-822-2	X	X	X	X	X	X	KE-29069

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## National Regulations

## SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION

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**Training Advice**

Chemical hazard awareness training, incorporating labelling, Safety Data Sheets (SDS), Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and hygiene.

Legend

<b>CAS</b> - Chemical Abstracts Service	<b>TSCA</b> - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory
<b>EINECS/ELINCS</b> - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances/EU List of Notified Chemical Substances	<b>DSL/NDL</b> - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List
<b>PICCS</b> - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances	<b>ENCS</b> - Japanese Existing and New Chemical Substances
<b>IECSC</b> - Chinese Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances	<b>AICS</b> - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances
<b>KECL</b> - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances	<b>NZIoC</b> - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals
<b>WEL</b> - Workplace Exposure Limit	<b>TWA</b> - Time Weighted Average
<b>ACGIH</b> - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists	<b>IARC</b> - International Agency for Research on Cancer
<b>DNEL</b> - Derived No Effect Level	<b>PNEC</b> - Predicted No Effect Concentration
<b>RPE</b> - Respiratory Protective Equipment	<b>LD50</b> - Lethal Dose 50%
<b>LC50</b> - Lethal Concentration 50%	<b>EC50</b> - Effective Concentration 50%
<b>NOEC</b> - No Observed Effect Concentration	<b>POW</b> - Partition coefficient Octanol:Water
<b>PBT</b> - Persistent, Bioaccumulative, Toxic	<b>vPvB</b> - very Persistent, very Bioaccumulative
<b>ICAO/IATA</b> - International Civil Aviation Organization/International Air Transport Association	<b>IMO/IMDG</b> - International Maritime Organization/International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code
<b>ADR</b> - European Agreement Concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road	<b>MARPOL</b> - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships
<b>OECD</b> - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development	<b>ATE</b> - Acute Toxicity Estimate
<b>BCF</b> - Bioconcentration factor	<b>VOC</b> - (Volatile Organic Compound)

**Key literature references and sources for data**

<https://echa.europa.eu/information-on-chemicals>  
 Suppliers safety data sheet, Chemadvisor - LOLI, Merck index, RTECS

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