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Product Name : **POTASSIUM SULFATE**

Not classified as hazardous

**1. Identification**

**GHS Product Identifier** POTASSIUM SULFATE

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**Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use** Analytical reagent, medicine (cathartic), gypsum cements, fertilizer for chloride-sensitive crops such as tobacco and citrus, alum manufacture, glass manufacture and food additive; laboratory reagent.

**Other Names**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Product Code</u>
Sulfuric acid, dipotassium salt, Sulfuric acid potassium salt, Sal polychrestum	
POTASSIUM SULFATE LR	PL026
POTASSIUM SULFATE AR	PA026
POTASSIUM SULFATE BP	PP026
POTASSIUM SULFATE conforms to MIL-P-193A	PS026

**Other Information**

Chem-Supply Pty Ltd does not warrant that this product is suitable for any use or purpose. The user must ascertain the suitability of the product before use or application intended purpose. Preliminary testing of the product before use or application is recommended. Any reliance or purported reliance upon Chem-Supply Pty Ltd with respect to any skill or judgement or advice in relation to the suitability of this product of any purpose is disclaimed. Except to the extent prohibited at law, any condition implied by any statute as to the merchantable quality of this product or fitness for any purpose is hereby excluded. This product is not sold by description. Where the provisions of Part V, Division 2 of the Trade Practices Act apply, the liability of Chem-Supply Pty Ltd is limited to the replacement of supply of equivalent goods or payment of the cost of replacing the goods or acquiring equivalent goods.

**2. Hazard Identification**

**GHS classification of the substance/mixture** Not classified as hazardous according to the Approved Criteria for Classifying Hazardous Substances [NOHSC:1008(2004) 3rd Edition, Safe Work Australia.  
Not classified as dangerous goods according to the Australian Dangerous Goods Code (ADG).

**3. Composition/information on ingredients**

**Chemical Characterization** Solid

<u>Ingredients</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>CAS</u>	<u>Proportion</u>	<u>Hazard Symbol</u>	<u>Risk Phrase</u>
	Potassium sulfate	7778-80-5	95-100 %		

**4. First-aid measures**

**Inhalation** Remove victim to fresh air. If breathing has stopped, apply artificial respiration. Seek medical advice if effects persist.

**Ingestion** Rinse mouth thoroughly with water immediately, repeat until all traces of product have been removed. DO NOT INDUCE VOMITING. Seek medical advice if effects persist.

**Skin** Wash with plenty of soap and water. Seek medical advice if effects persist.

**Eye contact** Immediately irrigate with copious quantity of water for at least 15 minutes. Eyelids to be held open. Seek medical advice if effects persist.

**First Aid Facilities** Maintain eyewash fountain and safety shower in work area.

**Advice to Doctor** Treat symptomatically based on judgement of doctor and individual reactions of the patient.

**Other Information** For advice, contact the National Poisons Information Centre (Phone Australia 13 11 26; New Zealand 0800 764 766) or a doctor.

**5. Fire-fighting measures**



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<b>Hazards from Combustion Products</b>	May liberate toxic fumes in fire (sulfur oxides).
<b>Specific Methods</b>	Use extinguishing media most appropriate for the surrounding fire. No limitations to the type of extinguishing media.
<b>Specific hazards arising from the chemical</b>	Material does not burn. Fire or heat may produce irritating, poisonous and/or corrosive gases. Containers may explode when heated. Runoff may pollute waterways.
<b>Precautions in connection with Fire</b>	Wear SCBA and structural firefighter's uniform.

**6. Accidental release measures**

<b>Personal Precautions</b>	Avoid substance contact. Avoid generation of dusts: do not inhale dusts. Ensure supply of fresh air in enclosed rooms.
<b>Personal Protection</b>	Wear protective clothing specified for normal operations (see Section 8)
<b>Clean-up Methods - Small Spillages</b>	Sweep up (avoid generating dust) and remove to a suitable, clearly labelled container for disposal in accordance with local regulations.
<b>Clean-up Methods - Large Spillages</b>	Seek expert advice on handling and disposal.

**7. Handling and storage**

<b>Precautions for Safe Handling</b>	Use with adequate ventilation. In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment. Wash hands and face thoroughly after working with material.
<b>Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities</b>	Store away from oxidizing agents. Keep container tightly closed and in a cool, well-ventilated place

**8. Exposure controls/personal protection**

<b>Other Exposure Information</b>	No exposure standards have been established for this product by Safe Work Australia, however, the TWA exposure standard for dusts/mists not otherwise specified is 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup> . All atmospheric contamination should be kept to as low a level as is workable.
<b>Appropriate engineering controls</b>	In industrial situations maintain the concentrations values below the TWA. This may be achieved by process modification, use of local exhaust ventilation, capturing substances at the source, or other methods. These methods should be used in preference to personal protective equipment.
<b>Respiratory Protection</b>	Where ventilation is not adequate, respiratory protection may be required. Avoid breathing dust, vapours or mists. Respiratory protection should comply with AS 1716 - Respiratory Protective Devices and be selected in accordance with AS 1715 - Selection, Use and Maintenance of Respiratory Protective Devices. Filter capacity and respirator type depends on exposure levels. In event of emergency or planned entry into unknown concentrations a positive pressure, full-facepiece SCBA should be used. If respiratory protection is required, institute a complete respiratory protection program including selection, fit testing, training, maintenance and inspection.
<b>Eye Protection</b>	The use of a face shield, chemical goggles or safety glasses with side shield protection as appropriate. Must comply with Australian Standards AS 1337 and be selected and used in accordance with AS 1336.
<b>Hand Protection</b>	Wear gloves of impervious material conforming to AS/NZS 2161: Occupational protective gloves - Selection, use and maintenance. Final choice of appropriate glove type will vary according to individual circumstances. This can include methods of handling, and engineering controls as determined by appropriate risk assessments.
<b>Personal Protective Equipment</b>	Personal protective equipment should not solely be relied upon to control risk and should only be used when all other reasonably practicable control measures do not eliminate or sufficiently minimise risk. Guidance in selecting personal protective equipment can be obtained from Australian, Australian/New Zealand or other approved standards.
<b>Footwear</b>	Safety boots in industrial situations is advisory, foot protection should comply with AS 2210, Occupational protective footwear - Guide to selection, care and use.
<b>Body Protection</b>	Clean clothing or protective clothing should be worn, preferably with an apron. Clothing for protection against chemicals should comply with AS 3765 Clothing for Protection Against Hazardous Chemicals.
<b>Hygiene Measures</b>	Always wash hands before smoking, eating or using the toilet. Wash contaminated clothing and other protective equipment before storing or re-using.

**9. Physical and chemical properties**



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<b>Form</b>	Solid
<b>Appearance</b>	Colourless or white hard crystals or powder.
<b>Odour</b>	Odourless.
<b>Melting Point</b>	1067 - 1069 °C
<b>Boiling Point</b>	1689 °C
<b>Solubility in Water</b>	Soluble (110 g/L @20 °C).
<b>Solubility in Organic Solvents</b>	Slightly soluble in glycerol. Insoluble in alcohol.
<b>Specific Gravity</b>	2.66
<b>pH</b>	5.5 - 7.5 (50 g/l, H <sub>2</sub> O, 20 °C)
<b>Flammability</b>	Non combustible material.
<b>Molecular Weight</b>	174.27
<b>Other Information</b>	Taste: Bitter saline taste.

**10. Stability and reactivity**

<b>Chemical Stability</b>	Stable under normal use conditons.
<b>Conditions to Avoid</b>	Incompatibles.
<b>Incompatible Materials</b>	Strong oxidizing agents, aluminium and magnesium, light metals.
<b>Hazardous Decomposition Products</b>	Oxides of sulfur and potassium.
<b>Hazardous Polymerization</b>	Will not occur.

**11. Toxicological Information**

<b>Acute Toxicity - Oral</b>	LD50 (rat): 6600 mg/kg
<b>Ingestion</b>	May be harmful if swallowed. May cause gastrointestinal tract irriation. Symptoms may include nausea, vomiting, diarrhoea and adominal cramps which may lead to weakness, mental confusion, hypotension, paralysis and possible circulatory disturbances including cardiac arrhythmias, heart block and cardiac arrest. Large oral dosages may produce gastrointestinal distrubances and irritation.
<b>Inhalation</b>	May be harmful if inhaled. May cause respiratory tract irriation. May cause sneezing, coughing, or nuisance dust effect.
<b>Skin</b>	May be harmful if absorbed through skin. May cause skin irritation.
<b>Eye</b>	Not expected to cause adverse effects however dust may cause mechanical irriation to the eye.
<b>Carcinogenicity</b>	No evidence of carcinogenic properties.
<b>Chronic Effects</b>	Swallowing large doses causes severe gastric disturbances and irritation. Not expected to be a health hazard, Potassium poisoning may occur in rare cases of long exposure or ingestion.
<b>Mutagenicity</b>	No evidence of mutagenic effects.

**12. Ecological information**

<b>Persistence and degradability</b>	Methods for the determination of biodegradability are not applicable to inorganic substances.
<b>Acute Toxicity - Fish</b>	LC50 (Pimephales promelas): 680 mg/l/96h
<b>Other Information</b>	Do not allow to enter waters, waste water, or soil!

**13. Disposal considerations**

<b>Disposal Considerations</b>	Whatever cannot be saved for recovery or recycling should be disposed of according to relevant local, state and federal government regulations.
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**14. Transport information**

<b>Transport Information</b>	Not classified as a Dangerous Good according to the Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail.
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**15. Regulatory information**

<b>Regulatory Information</b>	Listed in the Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS). Not listed under WHS Regulation 2011, Schedule 10 - Prohibited carcinogens, restricted carcinogens and restricted hazardous chemicals.
<b>Poisons Schedule</b>	Not Scheduled

**16. Other Information**

<b>Literature References</b>	<p>'Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons .', Commonwealth of Australia.</p> <p>Lewis, Richard J. Sr. 'Hawley's Condensed Chemical Dictionary 13th. Ed.', Rev., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., NY, 1997.</p> <p>National Road Transport Commission, 'Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail 7th. Ed.', 2007.</p> <p>Safe Work Australia, 'National Code of Practice for the Preparation of Safety Data Sheets for Hazardous Chemicals', 2011.</p> <p>Standards Australia, 'SAA/SNZ HB 76:2010 Dangerous Goods - Initial Emergency Response Guide', Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand, 2010.</p> <p>Safe Work Australia, 'Approved Criteria for Classifying Hazardous Substances [NOHSC:1008 (2004)]'.</p> <p>Safe Work Australia, 'Hazardous Chemical Information System, 2005'.</p> <p>Safe Work Australia, 'National Code of Practice for the Labelling of Safe Work Hazardous Substances (2011)'.</p> <p>Safe Work Australia, 'National Exposure Standards for Atmospheric Contaminants in the Occupational Environment [NOHSC:1003(1995) 3rd Edition]'.</p>
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