
POTASSIUM ACETATE

MSDS Number: P5381 --- Effective Date: 12/08/96

1. Product Identification

Synonyms: Acetic acid, potassium salt

CAS No.: 127-08-2

Molecular Weight: 98.15

Chemical Formula: KC₂H₃O₂

Product Codes: J.T. Baker: 2912, 2914, 2917 Mallinckrodt: 6696, 6700, 7797

2. Composition/Information on Ingredients

| Ingredient | CAS No | Percent | Hazardous |
|-------------------|----------|-----------|-----------|
| Potassium Acetate | 127-08-2 | 99 - 100% | Yes |

3. Hazards Identification

Emergency Overview

As part of good industrial and personal hygiene and safety procedure, avoid all unnecessary exposure to the chemical substance and ensure prompt removal from skin, eyes and clothing.

J.T. Baker SAF-T-DATA^(tm) Ratings (Provided here for your convenience)

Health Rating: 1 - Slight

Flammability Rating: 1 - Slight

Reactivity Rating: 1 - Slight

Contact Rating: 1 - Slight

Lab Protective Equip: GOGGLES; LAB COAT

Storage Color Code: Orange (General Storage)

Potential Health Effects

Inhalation:

May cause mild irritation to the respiratory tract.

Ingestion:

Extremely large oral dosages may produce gastrointestinal disturbances. Has diuretic effect.

Skin Contact:

No adverse effects expected. May cause mild irritation and redness.

Eye Contact:

No adverse effects expected. May cause mild irritation, possible reddening.

Chronic Exposure:

No adverse health effects expected.

Aggravation of Pre-existing Conditions:

No adverse health effects expected.

4. First Aid Measures

Inhalation:

Remove to fresh air. Get medical attention for any breathing difficulty.

Ingestion:

If large amounts were swallowed, give water to drink and get medical advice.

Skin Contact:

Wash exposed area with soap and water. Get medical advice if irritation develops.

Eye Contact:

Wash thoroughly with running water. Get medical advice if irritation develops.

5. Fire Fighting Measures

Fire:

Not considered to be a fire hazard.

Explosion:

Not considered to be an explosion hazard.

Fire Extinguishing Media:

Use any means suitable for extinguishing surrounding fire.

Special Information:

In the event of a fire, wear full protective clothing and NIOSH-approved self-contained breathing apparatus with full facepiece operated in the pressure demand or other positive pressure mode.

6. Accidental Release Measures

Ventilate area of leak or spill. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment as specified in Section 8. Spills: Sweep up and containerize for reclamation or disposal. Vacuuming or wet sweeping may be used to avoid dust dispersal.

7. Handling and Storage

Keep in a tightly closed container, stored in a cool, dry, ventilated area. Protect against physical damage. Containers of this material may be hazardous when empty since they retain product residues (dust, solids); observe all warnings and precautions listed for the product.

8. Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

Airborne Exposure Limits:

None established.

Ventilation System:

In general, dilution ventilation is a satisfactory health hazard control for this substance. However, if conditions of use create discomfort to the worker, a local exhaust system should be considered.

Personal Respirators (NIOSH Approved):

For conditions of use where exposure to the dust or mist is apparent, a half-face dust/mist respirator may be worn. For emergencies or instances where the exposure levels are not known, use a full-face positive-pressure, air-supplied respirator. **WARNING:** Air-purifying respirators do not protect workers in oxygen-deficient atmospheres.

Skin Protection:

Wear protective gloves and clean body-covering clothing.

Eye Protection:

Use chemical safety goggles. Maintain eye wash fountain and quick-drench facilities in work area.

9. Physical and Chemical Properties

Appearance:

White, deliquescent, crystalline powder.

Odor:

Odorless.

Solubility:

200 g/100 g water

Specific Gravity:

1.57 @ 25C

pH:

No information found.

% Volatiles by volume @ 21C (70F):

0

Boiling Point:

No information found.

Melting Point:

292C (558F)

Vapor Density (Air=1):

No information found.

Vapor Pressure (mm Hg):

No information found.

Evaporation Rate (BuAc=1):

No information found.

10. Stability and Reactivity

Stability:

Stable under ordinary conditions of use and storage.

Hazardous Decomposition Products:

May produce oxides of carbon and the contained metal.

Hazardous Polymerization:

Will not occur.

Incompatibilities:

Strong oxidizing agents.

Conditions to Avoid:

Moisture, heat, flames, ignition sources and incompatibles.

11. Toxicological Information

Oral rat LD50: 3250 mg/kg

| -----\Cancer Lists\----- | | | |
|------------------------------|----------------------|-------------|---------------|
| Ingredient | ---NTP Carcinogen--- | | IARC Category |
| | Known | Anticipated | |
| Potassium Acetate (127-08-2) | No | No | None |

12. Ecological Information

Environmental Fate:

No information found.

Environmental Toxicity:

No information found.

13. Disposal Considerations

Whatever cannot be saved for recovery or recycling should be managed in an appropriate and approved waste disposal facility. Processing, use or contamination of this product may change the waste management options. State and local disposal regulations may differ from federal disposal regulations. Dispose of container and unused contents in accordance with federal, state and local requirements.

14. Transport Information

Not regulated.

15. Regulatory Information

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-----\Chemical Inventory Status - Part 1\-----
Ingredient                               TSCA  EC   Japan  Australia
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Potassium Acetate (127-08-2)             Yes   Yes   Yes    Yes

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-----\Chemical Inventory Status - Part 2\-----
Ingredient                               Korea  DSL   NDSL  Phil.
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Potassium Acetate (127-08-2)             Yes   Yes   No    Yes

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-----\Federal, State & International Regulations - Part 1\-----
Ingredient                               -SARA 302-  -SARA 313-
RQ   TPQ   List  Chemical Catg.
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Potassium Acetate (127-08-2)             No    No    No    No

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-----\Federal, State & International Regulations - Part 2\-----
Ingredient                               CERCLA  -RCRA-  -TSCA-
                                           261.33  8(d)
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Potassium Acetate (127-08-2)             No      No      No

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Chemical Weapons Convention: No TSCA 12(b): No CDTA: No
SARA 311/312: Acute: No Chronic: No Fire: No Pressure: No
Reactivity: No (Pure / Solid)

Australian Hazchem Code: No information found.**Poison Schedule:** No information found.**WHMIS:**

This MSDS has been prepared according to the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations (CPR) and the MSDS contains all of the information required by the CPR.

16. Other Information

NFPA Ratings: Health: 1 Flammability: 0 Reactivity: 0**Label Hazard Warning:**

As part of good industrial and personal hygiene and safety procedure, avoid all unnecessary exposure to the chemical substance and ensure prompt removal from skin, eyes and clothing.

Label Precautions:

None.

Label First Aid:

Not applicable.

Product Use:

Laboratory Reagent.

Revision Information:

Pure. New 16 section MSDS format, all sections have been revised.

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