# **Camlab Limited – Material Safety Data Sheet**

1110981

#### 1. Identification

Product Code 1110981

POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION 70% w/v (50% w/w) Product Name

KOH = 56.11Molecular Formula

1310-58-3 CAS Number

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# 2. Composition

Component	CAS No	EEC No	Conc w/w	Classification & Risk Phrases	Exp (See 8.1)
Potassium hydroxide	1310-58-3	215-181-7	70.0%	C : R22,R35	N/A

#### 3. Hazards Identification



Media

Harmful if swallowed. Causes severe burns.

#### 4. First Aid Measures

Irrigate thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 10 minutes, holding the eye open.

OBTAIN MEDICAL ATTENTION URGENTLY.

Wash off skin thoroughly with water. Remove contaminated clothing immediately and wash Skin

before re-use. If irritation persists or there is any sign of skin damage, seek IMMEDIATE

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

Inhalation Remove from exposure. Keep warm and at rest. Remove from exposure. If there is difficulty

in breathing give oxygen if available. If breathing stops or shows signs of failing, apply

artificial resuscitation.

Ingestion If conscious give plenty of water to drink. Do not induce vomiting. OBTAIN MEDICAL

ATTENTION URGENTLY.

#### 5. Fire Fighting Measures

Hazards Presents no specific fire danger.

Extinguishing Consider what other flammable materials are present and act accordingly.

Unsuitable Nothing specified.

Media

#### 6. Accidental Release Measures

Avoid breathing vapour. Use approved personal protective equipment. Evacuate area Personal Protection

immediately. Do not allow other people to enter area. Do not allow general use of area

until it is safe to do so.

Enviromental Keep non-neutralised material out of sewers, storm drains, surface waters and soil. Notify

the Environmental Agency and local Environmental Health Officer if major spillage occurs.

Contain spill with inert material. Neutralise with 5M hydrochloric acid. Wash area down Major Spillage

with copious amounts of water.

Minor Spillage Wash area down with copious amounts of water.

#### 7. Storage & Handling

Handling Precautions Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Do not breath vapours. Do not allow to contaminate

clothing.

Ensure Local Exhaust Ventilation maintains vapour concentrations below the recommended

limits.

Storage Conditions Store in a dry place protected against moisture and water. Keep well separated from acids,

metals, explosives, organic peroxides and ignitable materials.

## 8.1 Workplace Exposure Limits

No prescribed exposure limits available

## 8.2 Personal Protection

Respiratory In cases where a spray or mist may be formed, use L.E.V. or natural ventilation to maintain

vapour concentrations below exposure limits. If not, use a well maintained chemical

cartridge respirator, or use self contained breathing apparatus.

Hands Use nitrile gloves or PVC gauntlets.

Use chemical full face shield. Eves

Skin If skin contact or contamination of clothing is likely, protective clothing must be worn.

Wear PVC oversuit.

#### 9. Physical & Chemical Properties

Clear colourless liquid. Appearance

Odourless. Odour

рН 12 (1% solution) Boiling point Aqueous solution Melting point Aqueous solution Flash point Not available Upper Flammable Limit Not available Lower Flammable Limit Not available Auto Ignition Not available

Explosive properties No. Oxidising Properties No.

Not applicable Vapour Presure Relative Density 1.5010 °C

Water Solubility Completely soluble in water.

#### 10. Stability & Reactivity

Chemical Stability Stable under normal conditions

Conditions to Avoid No specific conditions.

Materials to Avoid Acids. Reacts with aluminium and zinc to produce extremely flammable hydrogen gas.

Hazardous Toxic and acidic dense white fumes.

Decomposition Products

## 11. Toxicological Information

Eyes The liquid and solutions will cause severe burns. Damage can range from severe irritation

and corneal scarring to permanent blindness.

Skin Contact with the liquid or solutions will not lead to immediate pain but damage begins at

once. Severe ulceration and scarring may occur in serious cases.

LD50 Skin Not available

oesophagus.

LD50 Ingest Rabbit 500ml/Kg

Inhalation Presents no significant health hazard by inhalation.

Carcinogenicity Not considered to be a carcinogen.

Mutagenicity Not considered to be a mutagen.

Reproductive Effects None identified.

## 12. Ecological

Small amounts present no specific environmental hazard. Neutralised material presents no specific environmental hazard.

#### 13. Disposal Considerations

with copious amounts of water

Contaminated Packaging Wash out containers with water. Use a licensed waste disposer.

## 14. Transport Information

Proper Shipping Name Potassium Hydroxide Solution

UN Number 1814

UN Classification 8 Corrosive

Subsidiary Risk None

Flash Point Not available

Packing Group II
Transport Category 2
Marine pollutant No
ADR Hazard ID 80



#### 15. Regulatory Information

Labelling Corrosive.

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Label Symbols



Risk & safety Phrases Harmful if swallowed. Causes severe burns. Keep locked up and out of reach of children. In

case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice. Wear suitable protective clothing, gloves and eye/face protection. In case of accident or if

you feel unwell, seek medical advice immediately (show the label).

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# 16. Other Information

Document Information

This document has been prepared in accordance with directive 88/379/EEC.

The information contained in this document only covers the hazards presented by this material, it DOES NOT constitute a workplace risk assessment.

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