Camlab Limited - Material Safety Data Sheet

1111647

1. Identification

1111647 Product Code

ALKALINE PYROGALLOL (Soln B -Potassium Hydroxide) Product Name

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	215-181-3	21.3%	C : R22,R35	WEL

3. Hazards Identification



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.

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

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

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

Inhalation Remove from exposure.

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

ATTENTION URGENTLY.

5. Fire Fighting Measures

Hazards Presents no specific fire danger.

Extinguishing

Consider what other flammable materials are present and act accordingly.

Media

Unsuitable Nothing specified.

Media

6. Accidental Release Measures

Personal Use approved personal protective equipment. Evacuate area immediately. Do not allow other Protection

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.

6. Accidental Release Measures (continued)

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

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

Component	CAS No	Workplace Exposure Limits			Maximum Exposure Limits				
		Long Term		Short Term		Long Term		Short Term	
		ppm	mg m-3	ppm	mg m-3	ppm	mg m-3	ppm	mg m-3
Potassium hydroxide	1310-58-3	_	_	-	2.000	-	-	-	-

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.

Eyes Use chemical full face shield.

Skin Wear PVC oversuit.

9. Physical & Chemical Properties

Appearance Clear colourless liquid.

Odour Odourless.
pH 14 @ 20 °C
Boiling point Aqueous solution
Melting 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.

Explosive properties No.

Oxidising Properties No.

Vapour Presure Negligible
Relative Density 1.1650 °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 None unusual.

Decomposition Products

11. Toxicological Information

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

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

Ingestion will cause severe mouth burns, and if swallowed extensive damage to the Ingest

oesophagus.

Rabbit 500ml/Kg LD50 Ingest

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

Disposal Methods Dispose of via an authorised waste disposal contractor to an approved waste disposal site,

observing all local and national regulations.

Contaminated Packaging Clean out with a weak hydrochloric acid solution then wash out thoroughly with water.

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 ΙI 2 Transport Category Marine pollutant No ADR Hazard ID 80



15. Regulatory Information

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Labelling Corrosive.

Classification Label Symbols



Risk & safety Phrases Causes severe burns. Keep out of reach of children. In case of contact with eyes, rinse

immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice. Take off immediately all

contaminated clothing. Wear suitable gloves and eye/face protection.

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16. Other Information

Document Information

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

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