

**Safety data sheet**  
according to Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006, Article 31

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**SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking**

· **1.1 Product identifier**

· **Trade name:** Potassium Hydroxide

· **Article number:** 1515

· **CAS Number:**

1310-58-3

· **EC number:**

215-181-3

· **Index number:**

019-002-00-8

· **Registration number** 01-2119487136-33-XXXX

· **1.2 Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against**

· **Sector of Use**

SU1 Agriculture, forestry, fishery

SU2a Mining, (without offshore industries)

SU2b Offshore industries

SU4 Manufacture of food products

SU5 Manufacture of textiles, leather, fur

SU6a Manufacture of wood and wood products

SU6b Manufacture of pulp, paper and paper products

SU7 Printing and reproduction of recorded media

SU8 Manufacture of bulk, large scale chemicals (including petroleum products)

SU9 Manufacture of fine chemicals

SU10 Formulation [mixing] of preparations and/or re-packaging (excluding alloys)

SU11 Manufacture of rubber products

SU12 Manufacture of plastics products, including compounding and conversion

SU13 Manufacture of other non-metallic mineral products, e.g. plasters, cement

SU14 Manufacture of basic metals, including alloys

SU15 Manufacture of fabricated metal products, except machinery and equipment

SU16 Manufacture of computer, electronic and optical products, electrical equipment

SU17 General manufacturing, e.g. machinery, equipment, vehicles, other transport equipment

SU18 Manufacture of furniture

SU19 Building and construction work

SU20 Health services

SU23 Electricity, steam, gas water supply and sewage treatment

SU24 Scientific research and development

· **Product category**

PC1 Adhesives, sealants

PC2 Adsorbents

PC3 Air care products

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- PC4 Anti-Freeze and de-icing products
- PC7 Base metals and alloys
- PC8 Biocidal products
- PC9a Coatings and paints, thinners, paint removers
- PC9b Fillers, putties, plasters, modelling clay
- PC9c Finger paints
- PC11 Explosives
- PC12 Fertilisers
- PC13 Fuels
- PC14 Metal surface treatment products
- PC15 Non-metal-surface treatment products
- PC16 Heat transfer fluids
- PC17 Hydraulic fluids
- PC18 Ink and toners
- PC19 Intermediate
- PC20 Processing aids such as pH-regulators, flocculants, precipitants, neutralization agents
- PC21 Laboratory chemicals
- PC23 Leather treatment products
- PC24 Lubricants, greases, release products
- PC25 Metal working fluids
- PC26 Paper and board treatment products
- PC27 Plant protection products
- PC28 Perfumes, fragrances
- PC29 Pharmaceuticals
- PC30 Photo-chemicals
- PC31 Polishes and wax blends
- PC32 Polymer preparations and compounds
- PC33 Semiconductors
- PC34 Textile dyes, and impregnating products
- PC35 Washing and cleaning products (including solvent based products)
- PC36 Water softeners
- PC37 Water treatment chemicals
- PC38 Welding and soldering products, flux products
- PC39 Cosmetics, personal care products
- PC40 Extraction agents

**Process category**

- PROC1 Chemical production or refinery in closed process without likelihood of exposure or processes with equivalent containment conditions.
- PROC2 Chemical production or refinery in closed continuous process with occasional controlled exposure or processes with equivalent containment conditions
- PROC3 Manufacture or formulation in the chemical industry in closed batch processes with occasional controlled exposure or processes with equivalent containment condition
- PROC4 Chemical production where opportunity for exposure arises
- PROC5 Mixing or blending in batch processes
- PROC7 Industrial spraying
- PROC8a Transfer of substance or mixture (charging and discharging) at non-dedicated facilities
- PROC8b Transfer of substance or mixture (charging and discharging) at dedicated facilities
- PROC9 Transfer of substance or mixture into small containers (dedicated filling line, including weighing)
- PROC10 Roller application or brushing
- PROC11 Non industrial spraying
- PROC13 Treatment of articles by dipping and pouring
- PROC14 Tableting, compression, extrusion, pelletisation, granulation
- PROC15 Use as laboratory reagent
- PROC19 Manual activities involving hand contact
- PROC23 Open processing and transfer operations at substantially elevated temperature
- PROC24 High (mechanical) energy work-up of substances bound in /on materials and/or articles

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PROC26 Handling of solid inorganic substances at ambient temperature

· **Environmental release category**

ERC1 Manufacture of the substance

ERC2 Formulation into mixture

ERC4 Use of non-reactive processing aid at industrial site (no inclusion into or onto article)

ERC5 Use at industrial site leading to inclusion into/onto article

ERC6a Use of intermediate

ERC6b Use of reactive processing aid at industrial site (no inclusion into or onto article)

ERC7 Use of functional fluid at industrial site

ERC8a Widespread use of non-reactive processing aid (no inclusion into or onto article, indoor)

ERC8b Widespread use of reactive processing aid (no inclusion into or onto article, indoor)

ERC8c Widespread use leading to inclusion into/onto article (indoor)

ERC8d Widespread use of non-reactive processing aid (no inclusion into or onto article, outdoor)

ERC8e Widespread use of reactive processing aid (no inclusion into or onto article, outdoor)

ERC8f Widespread use leading to inclusion into/onto article (outdoor)

ERC9a Widespread use of functional fluid (indoor)

ERC9b Widespread use of functional fluid (outdoor)

· **Application of the substance / the mixture** Laboratory chemicals· **1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**· **Manufacturer/Supplier:**

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**SECTION 2: Hazards identification**· **2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture**· **Classification according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008**

Met. Corr.1 H290 May be corrosive to metals.

Acute Tox. 4 H302 Harmful if swallowed.

Skin Corr. 1A H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

· **2.2 Label elements**· **Labelling according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008**

The substance is classified and labelled according to the CLP regulation.

· **Hazard pictograms**

GHS05 GHS07

· **Signal word** Danger· **Hazard statements**

H290 May be corrosive to metals.

H302 Harmful if swallowed.

H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

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- **Precautionary statements**

- P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection/hearing protection.
- P303+P361+P353 IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water [or shower].
- P305+P351+P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
- P310 Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor.
- P321 Specific treatment (see on this label).
- P405 Store locked up.
- P501 Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.

- **2.3 Other hazards**

- **Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**

- **PBT:** Not applicable.
- **vPvB:** Not applicable.

## SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

- **3.1 Substances**

- **CAS No. Description**

1310-58-3 Potassium Hydroxide

- **Identification number(s)**

- **EC number:** 215-181-3

- **Index number:** 019-002-00-8

- **Specific concentration limits**

Skin Corr. 1A; H314: C ≥ 5 %

Skin Corr. 1B; H314: 2 % ≤ C < 5 %

Skin Irrit. 2; H315: 0.5 % ≤ C < 2 %

Eye Irrit. 2; H319: 0.5 % ≤ C < 2 %

Met. Corr.1; H290: C ≥ 5 %

## SECTION 4: First aid measures

- **4.1 Description of first aid measures**

- **General information:**

Take affected persons out into the fresh air.

Symptoms of poisoning may even occur after several hours; therefore medical observation for at least 48 hours after the accident.

Involve doctor immediately.

- **After inhalation:** In case of unconsciousness place patient stably in side position for transportation.

- **After skin contact:**

Call a doctor immediately.

Dab with polyethylene glycol 400.

Immediately wash with water and soap and rinse thoroughly.

- **After eye contact:** Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. Then consult a doctor.

- **After swallowing:**

Do not attempt to neutralize.

Call a doctor immediately.

- **4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed**

No further relevant information available.

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- **4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**  
No further relevant information available.

## SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

- **5.1 Extinguishing media**
- **Suitable extinguishing agents:**  
ABC powder  
Use fire extinguishing methods suitable to surrounding conditions.
- **5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture** Non-combustible.
- **5.3 Advice for firefighters**
- **Protective equipment:** Wear self-contained respiratory protective device.
- **Additional information**  
Collect contaminated fire fighting water separately. It must not enter the sewage system.  
Dispose of fire debris and contaminated fire fighting water in accordance with official regulations.

## SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

- **6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**  
Avoid formation of dust.  
Use respiratory protective device against the effects of fumes/dust/aerosol.  
Wear protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.  
Avoid substance contact.  
Ensure adequate ventilation
- **6.2 Environmental precautions:** Do not allow to enter sewers/ surface or ground water.
- **6.3 Methods and material for containment and cleaning up:**  
Pick up mechanically.  
Avoid formation of dust.  
Use neutralising agent.  
Dispose contaminated material as waste according to section 13.  
Ensure adequate ventilation.  
Clean up affected area.
- **6.4 Reference to other sections**  
See Section 7 for information on safe handling.  
See Section 8 for information on personal protection equipment.  
See Section 13 for disposal information.

## SECTION 7: Handling and storage

- **7.1 Precautions for safe handling**  
Thorough dedusting.  
Any unavoidable deposit of dust must be regularly removed.
- **Information about fire - and explosion protection:** The product is not flammable.
- **7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**
- **Storage:**
- **Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles:**  
No aluminium, tin or zinc containers.  
Store only in unopened original receptacles.  
Provide alkali-resistant floor.
- **Information about storage in one common storage facility:**  
Store away from foodstuffs and feedstuffs  
Store away from metals.

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- **Further information about storage conditions:**  
Keep container tightly sealed.  
Open receptacle only under localised extractor facilities.  
Store under lock and key and with access restricted to technical experts or their assistants only.
- **Recommended storage temperature:** Room Temperature
- **Storage class:** 8 B
- **7.3 Specific end use(s)** No further relevant information available.

## SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

- **8.1 Control parameters**
- **Ingredients with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace:** Not required.

### · DNELs

Inhalative	Long-term - local effects, worker	1 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
	Long-term - local effects, general population	1 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

- **Additional information:** The lists valid during the making were used as basis.

### · 8.2 Exposure controls

- **Appropriate engineering controls** No further data; see section 7.
- **Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment**

#### · **General protective and hygienic measures:**

Keep away from foodstuffs, beverages and feed.  
Immediately remove all soiled and contaminated clothing  
Wash hands before breaks and at the end of work.  
Vacuum clean contaminated clothing. Do not blow or brush off contamination.  
Avoid contact with the eyes and skin.

#### · **Respiratory protection:**

Filter P2  
Required when dusts are generated.

#### · **Hand protection**



Protective gloves

The glove material has to be impermeable and resistant to the product/ the substance/ the preparation.  
Selection of the glove material on consideration of the penetration times, rates of diffusion and the degradation

#### · **Material of gloves**

The selection of the suitable gloves does not only depend on the material, but also on further marks of quality and varies from manufacturer to manufacturer.

#### · **Penetration time of glove material**

The exact break through time has to be found out by the manufacturer of the protective gloves and has to be observed.

#### · **For the permanent contact gloves made of the following materials are suitable:**

Nitrile rubber, NBR  
Recommended thickness of the material:  $\geq 0.11$  mm  
Value for the permeation: Level  $\geq 480$  min

#### · **As protection from splashes gloves made of the following materials are suitable:**

Nitrile rubber, NBR  
Recommended thickness of the material:  $\geq 0.11$  mm  
Value for the permeation: Level  $\geq 480$  min

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· Eye/face protection



Tightly sealed goggles

· Body protection: Use protective suit.

## SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

### · 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

#### · General Information

· Physical state	Solid
· Colour:	White
· Odour:	Odourless
· Odour threshold:	Not determined.
· Melting point/freezing point:	406 °C
· Boiling point or initial boiling point and boiling range	1,327 °C
· Flammability	Not determined. Not applicable.
· Lower and upper explosion limit	
· Lower:	Not determined.
· Upper:	Not determined.
· Flash point:	Not applicable.
· Decomposition temperature:	Not determined.
· pH	14
· Viscosity:	
· Kinematic viscosity	Not applicable.
· Dynamic:	Not applicable.
· Solubility	
· water at 20 °C:	1120 g/l
· Partition coefficient n-octanol/water (log value)	-3.88606
· Vapour pressure at 20 °C:	0 hPa
· Density and/or relative density	
· Density at 20 °C:	2.04 g/cm <sup>3</sup>
· Relative density	Not determined.
· Vapour density	Not applicable.
· Particle characteristics	See section 3.

### · 9.2 Other information

· Appearance:	
· Form:	Solid
· Important information on protection of health and environment, and on safety.	
· Ignition temperature:	Not determined.
· Explosive properties:	Product does not present an explosion hazard.
· Molecular weight	56.1 g/mol
· Change in condition	
· Evaporation rate	Not applicable.

### · Information with regard to physical hazard classes

· Explosives	Void
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· Flammable gases	Void
· Aerosols	Void
· Oxidising gases	Void
· Gases under pressure	Void
· Flammable liquids	Void
· Flammable solids	Void
· Self-reactive substances and mixtures	Void
· Pyrophoric liquids	Void
· Pyrophoric solids	Void
· Self-heating substances and mixtures	Void
· Substances and mixtures, which emit flammable gases in contact with water	Void
· Oxidising liquids	Void
· Oxidising solids	Void
· Organic peroxides	Void
· Corrosive to metals	May be corrosive to metals.
· Desensitised explosives	Void

## SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

- **10.1 Reactivity** No further relevant information available.
- **10.2 Chemical stability**
- **Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:**  
No decomposition if used according to specifications.
- **10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions**  
Violent reactions possible with:  
Metals, Light metals, ammonium compounds, Alkaline earth metals, halogens, halogen-halogen compounds, Halogenated hydrocarbon, nonmetallic oxyhalides, halogen oxides, organic nitro compounds, phosphorus, nonmetallic oxides, Hydrocarbons, anhydrides, Strong acids, azides  
Reacts with water and acids.  
Reacts with strong acids and oxidising agents.  
Exothermic reactions with:  
water
- **10.4 Conditions to avoid** No further relevant information available.
- **10.5 Incompatible materials:**  
organic substances  
strong acids
- **10.6 Hazardous decomposition products:** In the event of fire: See chapter 5
- **Additional information:**  
strongly hygroscopic  
exothermic dissolution process with water  
Incompatible with:  
metals  
varous plastics  
glass  
animal tissues  
vegetable tissues

## SECTION 11: Toxicological information

- **11.1 Information on hazard classes as defined in Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008**
- **Acute toxicity** Harmful if swallowed.

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· **LD/LC50 values relevant for classification:**

Quantitative data on the toxicological effect of this product are not available.

· **Components**                      **Type**                      **Value**                      **Species**

Oral	LD50	333 mg/kg (rat)	
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· **Primary irritant effect:**· **Skin corrosion/irritation** Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.· **Serious eye damage/irritation** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.· **After inhalation:** Strong caustic effect on skin and mucous membranes.· **Respiratory or skin sensitisation** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.· **Germ cell mutagenicity** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.· **Carcinogenicity** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.· **Reproductive toxicity** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.· **STOT-single exposure** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.· **STOT-repeated exposure** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.· **Aspiration hazard** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.· **11.2 Information on other hazards**· **Endocrine disrupting properties** Substance is not listed.**SECTION 12: Ecological information**· **12.1 Toxicity**· **Aquatic toxicity:** No further relevant information available.· **Type of test**   **Effective concentration**   **Method**   **Assessment**

LC50/96 h	80 mg/l (fish)		
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· **12.2 Persistence and degradability** No further relevant information available.· **12.3 Bioaccumulative potential** No further relevant information available.· **12.4 Mobility in soil** No further relevant information available.· **12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**· **PBT:** Not applicable.· **vPvB:** Not applicable.· **12.6 Endocrine disrupting properties**

The product does not contain substances with endocrine disrupting properties.

· **12.7 Other adverse effects**· **Remark:**

Harmful effect due to pH shift.

Harmful effect on aquatic organism.

Caustic even in diluted form.

Does not cause biological oxygen deficit.

Neutralization possible in waste water treatment plants.

· **Additional ecological information:**· **General notes:**

Do not allow product to reach ground water, water course or sewage system.

Water hazard class 1 (German Regulation) (Assessment by list): slightly hazardous for water

Must not reach sewage water or drainage ditch undiluted or unneutralised.

Rinse off of bigger amounts into drains or the aquatic environment may lead to increased pH-values. A high pH-value harms aquatic organisms. In the dilution of the use-level the pH-value is considerably reduced, so that after the use of the product the aqueous waste, emptied into drains, is only low water-dangerous.

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### SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

- **13.1 Waste treatment methods**
- **Recommendation**  
 Chemicals must be disposed of in compliance with the respective national regulations.  
 Must not be disposed together with household garbage. Do not allow product to reach sewage system.
- **Uncleaned packaging:**
- **Recommendation:**  
 Disposal must be made according to official regulations.  
 Packagings that may not be cleansed are to be disposed of in the same manner as the product.

### SECTION 14: Transport information

· <b>14.1 UN number or ID number</b> · <b>ADR, IMDG, IATA</b>	UN1813
· <b>14.2 UN proper shipping name</b> · <b>ADR, IMDG, IATA</b>	POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE, SOLID
· <b>14.3 Transport hazard class(es)</b> · <b>ADR</b>	
	
· <b>Class</b> · <b>Label</b>	8 (C6) Corrosive substances. 8
· <b>IMDG, IATA</b>	
	
· <b>Class</b> · <b>Label</b>	8 Corrosive substances. 8
· <b>14.4 Packing group</b> · <b>ADR, IMDG, IATA</b>	II
· <b>14.5 Environmental hazards:</b>	Not applicable.
· <b>14.6 Special precautions for user</b> · <b>Hazard identification number (Kemler code):</b> · <b>EMS Number:</b> · <b>Segregation groups</b> · <b>Stowage Category</b> · <b>Segregation Code</b>	Warning: Corrosive substances. 80 F-A,S-B (SGG18) Alkalis A SG35 Stow "separated from" SGG1-acids
· <b>14.7 Maritime transport in bulk according to IMO instruments</b>	Not applicable.

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· **Transport/Additional information:**· **ADR**· **Limited quantities (LQ)**

1 kg

· **Excepted quantities (EQ)**

Code: E2

Maximum net quantity per inner packaging: 30 g

Maximum net quantity per outer packaging: 500 g

· **Transport category**

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· **Tunnel restriction code**

E

· **IMDG**· **Limited quantities (LQ)**

1 kg

· **Excepted quantities (EQ)**

Code: E2

Maximum net quantity per inner packaging: 30 g

Maximum net quantity per outer packaging: 500 g

· **UN "Model Regulation":**

UN 1813 POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE, SOLID, 8, II

**SECTION 15: Regulatory information**· **15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture**· **Directive 2012/18/EU**· **Named dangerous substances - ANNEX I** Substance is not listed.· **REGULATION (EU) 2019/1021 on persistent organic pollutants (POP)** Substance is not listed.· **REGULATION (EC) No 1907/2006 ANNEX XVII** Conditions of restriction: 75· **DIRECTIVE 2011/65/EU on the restriction of the use of certain hazardous substances in electrical and electronic equipment – Annex II**

Substance is not listed.

· **REGULATION (EU) 2019/1148**· **Annex I - RESTRICTED EXPLOSIVES PRECURSORS (Upper limit value for the purpose of licensing under Article 5(3))**

Substance is not listed.

· **Annex II - REPORTABLE EXPLOSIVES PRECURSORS** Substance is not listed.· **Regulation (EC) No 273/2004 on drug precursors** Substance is not listed.· **Regulation (EC) No 111/2005 laying down rules for the monitoring of trade between the Community and third countries in drug precursors**

Substance is not listed.

· **REGULATION (EU) 2024/590 on substances that deplete the ozone layer** Substance is not listed.· **National regulations:**· **Other regulations, limitations and prohibitive regulations**· **Substances of very high concern (SVHC) according to REACH, Article 57** Substance is not listed.· **15.2 Chemical safety assessment:** A Chemical Safety Assessment has been carried out.**SECTION 16: Other information**

This information is based on our present knowledge. However, this shall not constitute a guarantee for any specific product features and shall not establish a legally valid contractual relationship.

· **Date of previous version:** 01.07.2021· **Version number of previous version:** 11.05· **Abbreviations and acronyms:**

RID: Règlement international concernant le transport des marchandises dangereuses par chemin de fer (Regulations Concerning the International Transport of Dangerous Goods by Rail)

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IATA-DGR: Dangerous Goods Regulations by the "International Air Transport Association" (IATA)  
 ICAO: International Civil Aviation Organisation  
 ICAO-TI: Technical Instructions by the "International Civil Aviation Organisation" (ICAO)  
 ADR: Accord relatif au transport international des marchandises dangereuses par route (European Agreement Concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road)  
 IMDG: International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods  
 IATA: International Air Transport Association  
 GHS: Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals  
 EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances  
 CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society)  
 DNEL: Derived No-Effect Level (REACH)  
 LC50: Lethal concentration, 50 percent  
 LD50: Lethal dose, 50 percent  
 PBT: Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic  
 SVHC: Substances of Very High Concern  
 vPvB: very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative  
 Met. Corr. 1: Corrosive to metals – Category 1  
 Acute Tox. 4: Acute toxicity – Category 4  
 Skin Corr. 1A: Skin corrosion/irritation – Category 1A

· \* **Data compared to the previous version altered.**

**Annex: Exposure scenario**

- **Short title of the exposure scenario** Formulation and packing/repacking of substances and mixtures
- **Sector of Use**
  - SU1 Agriculture, forestry, fishery
  - SU2a Mining, (without offshore industries)
  - SU2b Offshore industries
  - SU4 Manufacture of food products
  - SU5 Manufacture of textiles, leather, fur
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SU11 Manufacture of rubber products

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PC15 Non-metal-surface treatment products

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PC17 Hydraulic fluids

PC18 Ink and toners

PC19 Intermediate

PC20 Processing aids such as pH-regulators, flocculants, precipitants, neutralization agents

PC21 Laboratory chemicals

PC23 Leather treatment products

PC24 Lubricants, greases, release products

PC25 Metal working fluids

PC26 Paper and board treatment products

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PC29 Pharmaceuticals

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PC32 Polymer preparations and compounds

PC33 Semiconductors

PC34 Textile dyes, and impregnating products

PC35 Washing and cleaning products (including solvent based products)

PC36 Water softeners

PC37 Water treatment chemicals

PC38 Welding and soldering products, flux products

PC39 Cosmetics, personal care products

PC40 Extraction agents

**Process category**

PROC1 Chemical production or refinery in closed process without likelihood of exposure or processes with equivalent containment conditions.

PROC2 Chemical production or refinery in closed continuous process with occasional controlled exposure or processes with equivalent containment conditions

PROC3 Manufacture or formulation in the chemical industry in closed batch processes with occasional controlled exposure or processes with equivalent containment condition

PROC4 Chemical production where opportunity for exposure arises

PROC5 Mixing or blending in batch processes

PROC7 Industrial spraying

PROC8a Transfer of substance or mixture (charging and discharging) at non-dedicated facilities

PROC8b Transfer of substance or mixture (charging and discharging) at dedicated facilities

PROC9 Transfer of substance or mixture into small containers (dedicated filling line, including weighing)

PROC10 Roller application or brushing

PROC11 Non industrial spraying

PROC13 Treatment of articles by dipping and pouring

PROC14 Tableting, compression, extrusion, pelletisation, granulation

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- PROC15 Use as laboratory reagent
- PROC19 Manual activities involving hand contact
- PROC23 Open processing and transfer operations at substantially elevated temperature
- PROC24 High (mechanical) energy work-up of substances bound in /on materials and/or articles
- PROC26 Handling of solid inorganic substances at ambient temperature

- **Environmental release category**

- ERC1 Manufacture of the substance
- ERC2 Formulation into mixture
- ERC4 Use of non-reactive processing aid at industrial site (no inclusion into or onto article)
- ERC5 Use at industrial site leading to inclusion into/onto article
- ERC6a Use of intermediate
- ERC6b Use of reactive processing aid at industrial site (no inclusion into or onto article)
- ERC7 Use of functional fluid at industrial site
- ERC8a Widespread use of non-reactive processing aid (no inclusion into or onto article, indoor)
- ERC8b Widespread use of reactive processing aid (no inclusion into or onto article, indoor)
- ERC8c Widespread use leading to inclusion into/onto article (indoor)
- ERC8d Widespread use of non-reactive processing aid (no inclusion into or onto article, outdoor)
- ERC8e Widespread use of reactive processing aid (no inclusion into or onto article, outdoor)
- ERC8f Widespread use leading to inclusion into/onto article (outdoor)
- ERC9a Widespread use of functional fluid (indoor)
- ERC9b Widespread use of functional fluid (outdoor)

- **Description of the activities / processes covered in the Exposure Scenario**

See section 1 of the annex to the Safety Data Sheet.

- **Conditions of use**

- **Duration and frequency** 5 workdays/week.

- **Physical parameters**

- **Physical state** Solid

- **Concentration of the substance in the mixture** Raw material.

- **Used amount per time or activity** ≤ 1 tons per day

- **Other operational conditions**

- **Other operational conditions affecting environmental exposure** No special measures required.

- **Other operational conditions affecting worker exposure**

Avoid contact with eyes.

Avoid contact with the skin.

Indoor application.

Outdoor application.

- **Other operational conditions affecting consumer exposure** No special measures required.

- **Other operational conditions affecting consumer exposure during the use of the product**

Not applicable.

- **Risk management measures**

- **Worker protection**

- **Organisational protective measures** No special measures required.

- **Technical protective measures** Ensure that suitable extractors are available on processing machines

- **Personal protective measures**

Do not inhale dust / smoke / mist.

Avoid contact with the skin.

Avoid contact with the eyes.

Tightly sealed goggles

Protective gloves

The glove material has to be impermeable and resistant to the product/ the substance/ the preparation.

Selection of the glove material on consideration of the penetration times, rates of diffusion and the degradation

- **Measures for consumer protection** Ensure adequate labelling.

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- **Environmental protection measures**
- **Water**  
Generally, prior to the introduction of wastewater into wastewater treatment plants a neutralisation is required.
- **Disposal measures** Ensure that waste is collected and contained.
- **Disposal procedures**  
Must not be disposed together with household garbage. Do not allow product to reach sewage system.
- **Waste type** Partially emptied and uncleaned packaging
- **Exposure estimation**
- **Consumer** Not relevant for this Exposure Scenario.
- **Guidance for downstream users** No further relevant information available.

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