

# Safety Data Sheet

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## 1 Identification

- **Product identifier**
- **Trade name:** Potassium Hydroxide 1.0  
Normal Solution, NIST Traceable
- **Article number:** BP148
- **Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**
- **Manufacturer/Supplier:**  
Aqua Solutions, Inc.  
6913 Highway 225  
DEER PARK, TX 77536  
USA  
800-256-2586
- **Information department:**  
Technical Coordinator  
Sherman Nelson [shermann@aquasolutions.org](mailto:shermann@aquasolutions.org)
- **Emergency telephone number:**  
Chemtrec: 800-424-9300  
Canutec: 613-996-6666



## 2 Hazard(s) identification

- **Classification of the substance or mixture**



GHS05 Corrosion

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

Eye Dam. 1 H318 Causes serious eye damage.



GHS07

STOT SE 3 H336 May cause drowsiness or dizziness.

- **Label elements**
- **GHS label elements** The product is classified and labeled according to the Globally Harmonized System (GHS).
- **Hazard pictograms**



GHS05



GHS07

- **Signal word** Danger
- **Hazard-determining components of labeling:**  
Potassium Hydroxide
- **Hazard statements**  
Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.  
May cause drowsiness or dizziness.
- **Precautionary statements**  
Do not breathe dusts or mists.  
Wash thoroughly after handling.  
Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.

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*Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.*

*If swallowed: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.*

*If on skin (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.*

*IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.*

*If in eyes: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.*

*Immediately call a poison center/doctor.*

*Specific treatment (see on this label).*

*Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.*

*Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.*

*Store locked up.*

*Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.*

· **Classification system:**

· **NFPA ratings (scale 0 - 4)**



Health = 3

Fire = 0

Reactivity = 0

· **HMIS-ratings (scale 0 - 4)**



Health = 3

Fire = 0

Reactivity = 0

· **Other hazards**

· **Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**

· **PBT:** Not applicable.

· **vPvB:** Not applicable.

### 3 Composition/information on ingredients

· **Chemical characterization: Mixtures**

· **Description:** Mixture of the substances listed below with nonhazardous additions.

· **Dangerous components:**

CAS: 1310-58-3	Potassium Hydroxide	5.611%
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· **Table of Nonhazardous Ingredients**

CAS: 7732-18-5	Water	94.389%
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### 4 First-aid measures

· **Description of first aid measures**

· **General information:** Immediately remove any clothing soiled by the product.

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

· **After skin contact:** 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:** Drink copious amounts of water and provide fresh air. Immediately call a doctor.

· **Information for doctor:**

· **Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed** No further relevant information available.

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

## 5 Fire-fighting measures

- **Extinguishing media**
- **Suitable extinguishing agents:** Use fire fighting measures that suit the environment.
- **Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture**  
 During heating or in case of fire poisonous gases are produced.
- **Advice for firefighters**
- **Protective equipment:** Mouth respiratory protective device.

## 6 Accidental release measures

- **Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**  
 Mount respiratory protective device.  
 Wear protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.
- **Environmental precautions:**  
 Dilute with plenty of water.  
 Do not allow to enter sewers/ surface or ground water.
- **Methods and material for containment and cleaning up:**  
 Absorb with liquid-binding material (sand, diatomite, acid binders, universal binders, sawdust).  
 Use neutralizing agent.  
 Dispose contaminated material as waste according to item 13.  
 Ensure adequate ventilation.
- **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.
- **Protective Action Criteria for Chemicals**

- **PAC-1:**

CAS: 1310-58-3	Potassium Hydroxide	0.18 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
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- **PAC-2:**

CAS: 1310-58-3	Potassium Hydroxide	2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
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- **PAC-3:**

CAS: 1310-58-3	Potassium Hydroxide	54 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
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## 7 Handling and storage

- **Handling:**
- **Precautions for safe handling**  
 Ensure good ventilation/exhaustion at the workplace.  
 Prevent formation of aerosols.
- **Information about protection against explosions and fires:** Keep respiratory protective device available.
- **Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**
- **Storage:**
- **Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles:** No special requirements.
- **Information about storage in one common storage facility:** Not required.

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- **Further information about storage conditions:** Keep receptacle tightly sealed.
- **Specific end use(s)** No further relevant information available.

## 8 Exposure controls/personal protection

- **Additional information about design of technical systems:** No further data; see item 7.
- **Control parameters**

· **Components with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace:**

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REL	Ceiling limit value: 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
TLV	Ceiling limit value: 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

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

- **Exposure controls**

- **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.
- Avoid contact with the eyes.
- Avoid contact with the eyes and skin.

- **Breathing equipment:**

In case of brief exposure or low pollution use respiratory filter device. In case of intensive or longer exposure use respiratory protective device that is independent of circulating air.

- **Protection of hands:**



Protective gloves

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

Due to missing tests no recommendation to the glove material can be given for the product/ the preparation/ the chemical mixture.

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. As the product is a preparation of several substances, the resistance of the glove material can not be calculated in advance and has therefore to be checked prior to the application.

- **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.

- **Eye protection:**



Tightly sealed goggles

- **Body protection:** Protective work clothing

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## 9 Physical and chemical properties

· <b>Information on basic physical and chemical properties</b>	
· <b>General Information</b>	
· <b>Appearance:</b>	
Form:	Liquid
Color:	Colorless
· <b>Odor:</b>	Odorless
· <b>Odor threshold:</b>	Not determined.
· <b>pH-value at 20 °C (68 °F):</b>	13.906
· <b>Change in condition</b>	
Melting point/Melting range:	Undetermined.
Boiling point/Boiling range:	100 °C (212 °F)
· <b>Flash point:</b>	Not applicable.
· <b>Flammability (solid, gaseous):</b>	Not applicable.
· <b>Decomposition temperature:</b>	Not determined.
· <b>Auto igniting:</b>	Product is not selfigniting.
· <b>Danger of explosion:</b>	Product does not present an explosion hazard.
· <b>Explosion limits:</b>	
Lower:	Not determined.
Upper:	Not determined.
· <b>Vapor pressure at 20 °C (68 °F):</b>	23 hPa (17.3 mm Hg)
· <b>Density at 20 °C (68 °F):</b>	1.04706 g/cm <sup>3</sup> (8.73772 lbs/gal)
· <b>Relative density</b>	Not determined.
· <b>Vapor density</b>	Not determined.
· <b>Evaporation rate</b>	Not determined.
· <b>Solubility in / Miscibility with</b>	
Water:	Fully miscible.
· <b>Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water):</b> Not determined.	
· <b>Viscosity:</b>	
Dynamic:	Not determined.
Kinematic:	Not determined.
· <b>Solvent content:</b>	
Water:	94.4 %
VOC content:	0.00 %
	0.0 g/l / 0.00 lb/gal
<b>Solids content:</b>	5.6 %
· <b>Other information</b>	No further relevant information available.

## 10 Stability and reactivity

- **Reactivity** No further relevant information available.
- **Chemical stability**
- **Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:** No decomposition if used according to specifications.

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- **Possibility of hazardous reactions** No dangerous reactions known.
- **Conditions to avoid** No further relevant information available.
- **Incompatible materials:** No further relevant information available.
- **Hazardous decomposition products:** No dangerous decomposition products known.

## 11 Toxicological information

- **Information on toxicological effects**
- **Acute toxicity:**

- **LD/LC50 values that are relevant for classification:**

**ATE (Acute Toxicity Estimate)**

Oral	LD50	4,865 mg/kg (rat)
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Oral	LD50	500 mg/kg (ATE)
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- **Primary irritant effect:**
- **on the skin:** Strong caustic effect on skin and mucous membranes.
- **on the eye:**  
 Strong caustic effect.  
 Strong irritant with the danger of severe eye injury.
- **Sensitization:** No sensitizing effects known.
- **Additional toxicological information:**  
 The product shows the following dangers according to internally approved calculation methods for preparations:  
 Corrosive  
 Irritant  
 Swallowing will lead to a strong caustic effect on mouth and throat and to the danger of perforation of esophagus and stomach.

- **Carcinogenic categories**

- **IARC (International Agency for Research on Cancer)**

None of the ingredients is listed.

- **NTP (National Toxicology Program)**

None of the ingredients is listed.

- **OSHA-Ca (Occupational Safety & Health Administration)**

None of the ingredients is listed.

## 12 Ecological information

- **Toxicity**
- **Aquatic toxicity:** No further relevant information available.
- **Persistence and degradability** No further relevant information available.
- **Behavior in environmental systems:**
- **Bioaccumulative potential** No further relevant information available.
- **Mobility in soil** No further relevant information available.
- **Additional ecological information:**
- **General notes:**

Water hazard class 1 (Self-assessment): slightly hazardous for water

Do not allow undiluted product or large quantities of it to reach ground water, water course or sewage system.

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Must not reach bodies of water or drainage ditch undiluted or unneutralized.  
 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.

- **Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**
- **PBT:** Not applicable.
- **vPvB:** Not applicable.
- **Other adverse effects** No further relevant information available.

## 13 Disposal considerations

- **Waste treatment methods**
- **Recommendation:**  
 Must not be disposed of together with household garbage. Do not allow product to reach sewage system.
- **Uncleaned packagings:**
- **Recommendation:** Disposal must be made according to official regulations.
- **Recommended cleansing agent:** Water, if necessary with cleansing agents.

## 14 Transport information

<b>· UN-Number</b>	UN1814
<b>· DOT, IMDG, IATA</b>	
<b>· UN proper shipping name</b>	Potassium hydroxide, solution
<b>· DOT</b>	POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION
<b>· IMDG, IATA</b>	
<b>· Transport hazard class(es)</b>	
<b>· DOT</b>	
	
<b>· Class</b>	8 Corrosive substances
<b>· Label</b>	8
<b>· IMDG, IATA</b>	
	
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<b>· Label</b>	8
<b>· Packing group</b>	II
<b>· DOT, IMDG, IATA</b>	
<b>· Environmental hazards:</b>	
<b>· Marine pollutant:</b>	No
<b>· Special precautions for user</b>	Warning: Corrosive substances

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· **Hazard identification number (Kemler code):** 80  
 · **EMS Number:** F-A,S-B  
 · **Segregation groups** Alkalis  
 · **Stowage Category** A  
 · **Segregation Code** SG35 Stow "separated from" SGG1-acids

· **Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code** Not applicable.

· **Transport/Additional information:**

· **DOT**  
 · **Quantity limitations** On passenger aircraft/rail: 1 L  
 On cargo aircraft only: 30 L

· **IMDG**  
 · **Limited quantities (LQ)** 1L  
 · **Excepted quantities (EQ)** Code: E2  
 Maximum net quantity per inner packaging: 30 ml  
 Maximum net quantity per outer packaging: 500 ml

· **UN "Model Regulation":** UN 1814 POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION, 8, II

## 15 Regulatory information

· **Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture**  
 No further relevant information available.  
 · **Sara**

· **Section 355 (extremely hazardous substances):**

None of the ingredients is listed.

· **Section 313 (Specific toxic chemical listings):**

None of the ingredients is listed.

· **TSCA (Toxic Substances Control Act):**

Water	ACTIVE
Potassium Hydroxide	ACTIVE

· **Hazardous Air Pollutants**

None of the ingredients is listed.

· **Proposition 65**

· **Chemicals known to cause cancer:**

None of the ingredients is listed.

· **Chemicals known to cause reproductive toxicity for females:**

None of the ingredients is listed.

· **Chemicals known to cause reproductive toxicity for males:**

None of the ingredients is listed.

· **Chemicals known to cause developmental toxicity:**

None of the ingredients is listed.

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- **Carcinogenic categories**

- **EPA (Environmental Protection Agency)**

None of the ingredients is listed.

- **TLV (Threshold Limit Value)**

None of the ingredients is listed.

- **NIOSH-Ca (National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health)**

None of the ingredients is listed.

- **GHS label elements** The product is classified and labeled according to the Globally Harmonized System (GHS).

- **Hazard pictograms**



GHS05    GHS07

- **Signal word** Danger

- **Hazard-determining components of labeling:**

Potassium Hydroxide

- **Hazard statements**

Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

May cause drowsiness or dizziness.

- **Precautionary statements**

Do not breathe dusts or mists.

Wash thoroughly after handling.

Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.

Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.

If swallowed: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.

If on skin (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.

IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.

If in eyes: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do.

Continue rinsing.

Immediately call a poison center/doctor.

Specific treatment (see on this label).

Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.

Store locked up.

Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.

- **Chemical safety assessment:** A Chemical Safety Assessment has not been carried out.

## 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.

- **Department issuing SDS:** Environment protection department.

- **Contact:**

- **Date of preparation / last revision**

Revision 1.0, 10-20-2020: Revised formulation from 0.5 Molar HNO<sub>3</sub> to 0.5 Molar HCl. STN

Creation date for SDS 08-05-2015. STN

Revision 1.0 05-07-2021: updated hazard information. STN

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· **Abbreviations and acronyms:**

IMDG: International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods  
DOT: US Department of Transportation  
IATA: International Air Transport Association  
EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances  
ELINCS: European List of Notified Chemical Substances  
CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society)  
NFPA: National Fire Protection Association (USA)  
HMIS: Hazardous Materials Identification System (USA)  
VOC: Volatile Organic Compounds (USA, EU)  
LC50: Lethal concentration, 50 percent  
LD50: Lethal dose, 50 percent  
PBT: Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic  
vPvB: very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative  
NIOSH: National Institute for Occupational Safety  
OSHA: Occupational Safety & Health  
TLV: Threshold Limit Value  
PEL: Permissible Exposure Limit  
REL: Recommended Exposure Limit  
Skin Corr. 1A: Skin corrosion/irritation – Category 1A  
Eye Dam. 1: Serious eye damage/eye irritation – Category 1  
STOT SE 3: Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure) – Category 3

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

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