



SAFETY DATA SHEET

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SECTION 1 PRODUCT AND COMPANY INFORMATION

PRODUCT NAME: **Potassium Carbonate Sesquihydrate**
PRODUCT NUMBER: 2897
CAS NUMBER: 6381-79-9
SYNONYMS: Carbonic acid, dipotassium salt, 1.5hydrate: potassium carbonate sesquihydrate

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SECTION 2 HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

CLASSIFICATION OF SUBSTANCE OR MIXTURE

Pictogram



Signal Word

Warning

Hazard Statements

H302	Harmful if swallowed.
H315	Causes skin irritation.
H319	Causes serious eye irritation.
H335	May cause respiratory irritation.

Precautionary Phrases

P261	Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray.
P271	Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.
P280	Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.
P301+P312	IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.
P302+P352	IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.
P304+P340	IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.
P305+P351+P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
P403+P233	Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed

SECTION 2 HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION (Cont.)

HMIS CLASSIFICATION:

Health: 2 Fire: 0 Reactivity Hazard: 0

NFPA RATING:

Health: 2 Flammability: 0 Reactivity Hazard: 0

EYE CONTACT: Causes extreme irritation, redness, pain, and possibly corneal damage.

SKIN CONTACT: Contact with dry material causes irritation. In aqueous solution it is a strong caustic and as such may have corrosive effects on the skin.

INHALATION: Causes irritation to the respiratory tract. Symptoms may include coughing and shortness of breath.

INGESTION: Causes irritation to the gastrointestinal tract. Symptoms may include nausea, vomiting, and diarrhea. May have moderate toxic effects if consumed in large enough quantities. Ingestion of large amounts may be corrosive to mouth, throat, and GI tract and produce abdominal pains, vomiting, diarrhea, and circulatory collapse.

SECTION 3 COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Formula: $K_2CO_3 \cdot 1.5H_2O$

Molecular Weight: 165.23

CHEMICAL NAME	CAS#	%
Potassium Carbonate Sesquihydrate	6381-79-9	100

SECTION 4 FIRST AID MEASURES

EYE EXPOSURE: Immediately flush the eyes with copious amounts of water for at least 15 minutes. Assure flushing under eyelids. A victim may need assistance in keeping their eyelids open. Get immediate competent medical attention.

SKIN EXPOSURE: Wash affected area with soap and plenty of water. Remove contaminated clothes if necessary. Seek medical assistance if irritation persists.

INHALATION: Remove to fresh air and keep at rest. Closely monitor the victim for signs of respiratory problems, such as difficulty in breathing, coughing, wheezing, or pain. In such cases, seek immediate medical assistance.

INGESTION: Seek medical assistance immediately. Keep the victim calm. Give the victim water (only if conscious). Induce vomiting only if directed by medical personnel.

SECTION 5 FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

FLASH POINT: Not available

AUTO IGNITION TEMPERATURE: Not available

EXPLOSION LIMITS: Not available

EXTINGUISHING MEDIUM: Carbon dioxide, extinguishing powder, and water spray. Fight large fires with water spray or alcohol resistant foam.

SPECIAL FIRE FIGHTING PROCEDURES: Wear self-contained, approved breathing apparatus and full protective clothing, including eye protection and boots.

HAZARDOUS COMBUSTION AND DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS: Carbon oxides and potassium oxides

SECTION 6 ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

PERSONAL PRECAUTIONS: Wear all appropriate equipment when using this material. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid the formation of dust. Avoid breathing vapors, mist, gas, or dust.

ENVIRONMENTAL PRECAUTIONS: Prevent spillage from entering drains or allowing to be released into the environment.

METHODS AND MATERIALS FOR CONTAINMENT AND CLEANING UP: Sweep up and place in suitable container for proper disposal.

SECTION 7 HANDLING AND STORAGE

PRECAUTIONS FOR SAFE HANDLING: Wear appropriate personal protective equipment. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Use with adequate ventilation. Avoid formation of dusts and aerosols.

CONDITIONS FOR SAFE STORAGE: Store in cool, dry, and well-ventilated area. Hygroscopic – protect from humidity and water. Store under dry inert gas

SECTION 8 EXPOSURE CONTROLS AND PERSONAL PROTECTION

EXPOSURE CONTROLS: Contains no substances with occupational exposure limit values.

EYE PROTECTION: Wear chemical safety glasses or goggles and face shield.

SKIN PROTECTION: Wear nitrile or rubber gloves, and a complete suit protecting against chemicals.

VENTILATION: Provide local exhaust, preferably mechanical.

RESPIRATOR: Use an approved respirator.

ADDITIONAL PROTECTION: Provide eyewash stations, quick-drench showers and washing facilities accessible to areas of use and handling.

SECTION 9 PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

COLOR AND FORM: White crystalline.

ODOR: None

MOLECULAR WEIGHT: 165.23

BOILING POINT: Decomposes

MELTING POINT: 891° C

SPECIFIC GRAVITY: 2.04 gm/ml

VAPOR DENSITY: No data available

SOLUBILITY: Soluble

SECTION 10 STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

STABILITY: Stable

HAZARDOUS POLYMERIZATION: Will not occur

CONDITIONS TO AVOID: Exposure to moisture – may affect product quality.

INCOMPATIBILITY: Acids, chlorine trifluoride, magnesium, and strong oxidizing agents. An explosion occurred after mixing sodium hydrosulfite, aluminum powder, potassium carbonate, and benzaldehyde.

DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS: Carbon oxides and potassium oxides

SECTION 11 TOXICOLOGICAL DATA

ACUTE TOXICITY: LD50 Oral – rat – 1,870 mg/kg. LC50 Inhalation – rat – 0.5mg/L.

CARCINOGENIC EFFECTS: No components of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified a carcinogen.

MUTAGENIC EFFECTS: Not available

TETRATOGENIC EFFECTS: Not available

To the best of our knowledge the toxicological effects of this compound have not been fully investigated.

SECTION 12 ECOLOGICAL DATA

No data available.

SECTION 13 DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Dispose of in according to local, state, and federal regulations.

SECTION 14 TRANSPORTATION DATA

Not a dangerous good.

SECTION 15 REGULATORY INFORMATION

TSCA: Listed in the TSCA inventory

SARA 302/304: Not Listed

SARA 311/312: Acute Health Hazard

SARA (TITLE 313): Not Listed

CALIFORNIA PROP. 65: Not Listed

NEW JERSEY RIGHT TO KNOW COMPONENTS: Potassium Carbonate

PENNSYLVANIA RIGHT TO KNOW COMPONENTS: Potassium Carbonate

SECTION 16 OTHER INFORMATION

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