

## Chemical Safety Data Sheet MSDS / SDS

**Potassium thiocyanate**Revision Date:2026-05-31 Revision Number:1

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

Product name : Potassium thiocyanate  
CBnumber : CB8853514  
CAS : 333-20-0  
EINECS Number : 206-370-1  
Synonyms : KSCN,Potassium thiocyanate

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

Relevant identified uses : For R&D use only. Not for medicinal, household or other use.  
Uses advised against : none

**Company Identification**

Company : Chemicalbook  
Address : Building 1, Huihuang International, Shangdi 10th Street, Haidian District, Beijing  
Telephone : 010-86108875

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**SECTION 2: Hazards identification****GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements**

Symbol(GHS)



Signal word

Danger

**Precautionary statements**

P273 Avoid release to the environment.

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.

P305+P351+P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do.

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**Hazard statements**

H318 Causes serious eye damage

H412 Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects

**SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients**

## Substance

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| Product name | : Potassium thiocyanate       |
| Synonyms     | : KSCN, Potassium thiocyanate |
| CAS          | : 333-20-0                    |
| EC number    | : 206-370-1                   |
| MF           | : CKNS                        |
| MW           | : 97.18                       |

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## SECTION 4: First aid measures

### General advice

Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

### If inhaled

After inhalation: fresh air. If breathing stops: mouth-to-mouth breathing or artificial respiration. Oxygen if necessary. Immediately call in physician.

### In case of skin contact

In case of skin contact: Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ shower. Consult a physician.

### In case of eye contact

After eye contact: rinse out with plenty of water. Immediately call in ophthalmologist. Remove contact lenses.

### If swallowed

After swallowing: immediately make victim drink water (two glasses at most). Consult a physician.

### Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2) and/or in section 11

### Protection of first-aiders

For personal protection see section 8.

### Notes to physician

No data available

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## SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

### Suitable extinguishing media

Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.

### Unsuitable extinguishing media

For this substance/mixture no limitations of extinguishing agents are given.

## Specific hazards during fire fighting

Not combustible. Ambient fire may liberate hazardous vapours.

## Hazardous combustion products

Carbon oxides Nitrogen oxides (NOx) Sulphur oxides Potassium oxides

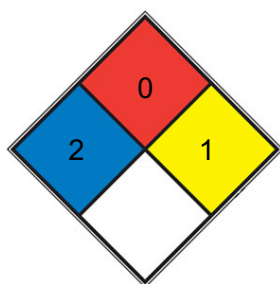
## Specific extinguishing methods

Suppress (knock down) gases/vapours/mists with a water spray jet. Prevent fire extinguishing water from contaminating surface water or the ground water system.

## Special protective equipment for fire-fighters

Stay in danger area only with self-contained breathing apparatus. Prevent skin contact by keeping a safe distance or by wearing suitable protective clothing.

## NFPA 704



HEALTH 2 Intense or continued but not chronic exposure could cause temporary incapacitation or possible residual injury (e.g. [diethyl ether](#), ammonium phosphate, iodine)

FIRE 0 Materials that will not burn under typical fire conditions, including intrinsically noncombustible materials such as concrete, stone, and sand. Materials that will not burn in air when exposed to a temperature of 820 °C (1,500 °F) for a period of 5 minutes.(e.g. Carbon tetrachloride)

REACT 1 Normally stable, but can become unstable at elevated temperatures and pressures (e.g. [propene](#))

SPEC.  
 HAZ.

## SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

### Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Advice for non-emergency personnel: Avoid inhalation of dusts. Avoid substance contact. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate the danger area, observe emergency procedures, consult an expert. Advice for emergency responders: For personal protection see section 8.

### Environmental precautions

Do not let product enter drains.

### Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Cover drains. Collect, bind, and pump off spills. Observe possible material restrictions (see sections 7 and 10). Take up dry. Dispose of

properly. Clean up affected area. Avoid generation of dusts.

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## SECTION 7: Handling and storage

### Handling

#### Advice on safe handling

Work under hood. Do not inhale substance/mixture.

### Storage

#### Further information on storage conditions

Tightly closed. Dry.

#### Materials to avoid

Do not store near acids.

#### Storage class

13, Non Combustible Solids

#### Recommended storage temperature

Recommended storage temperature see product label.

#### Further information on storage stability

Product is sensitive to light and moisture.

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## SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

### Ingredients with workplace control parameters

Contains no substances with occupational exposure limit values.

### Engineering measures

No data available

### Personal protective equipment

#### Respiratory protection

required when dusts are generated.

Our recommendations on filtering respiratory protection are based on the following standards: DIN EN 143, DIN 14387 and other accompanying standards relating to the used respiratory protection system.

#### Recommended Filter type

Filter type P2

The entrepreneur has to ensure that maintenance, cleaning and testing of respiratory protective devices are carried out according to the instructions of the producer. These measures have to be properly documented.

#### Eye/face protection

Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).

Tightly fitting safety goggles

#### Skin and body protection

protective clothing

**Hand protection****Material**

Nitrile rubber

**Break through time**

480 min

**Glove thickness**

0.11 mm

**Protective index**

Full contact

**Manufacturer**

KCL 741 L

**Material**

Nitrile rubber

**Break through time**

480 min

**Glove thickness**

0.11 mm

**Protective index**

Splash contact

**Manufacturer**

KCL 741 L

**Remarks**

This recommendation applies only to the product stated in the safety data sheet, supplied by us and for the designated use. When dissolving in or mixing with other substances and under conditions deviating from those stated in EN 16523-1 please contact the supplier of CE-approved gloves (e.g. KCL GmbH, D- 36124 Eichenzell, Internet: [www.kcl.de](http://www.kcl.de)).

**Hygiene measures**

Immediately change contaminated clothing. Apply preventive skin protection. Wash hands and face after working with substance.

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## SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

**Information on basic physicochemical properties**

powder

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**Appearance**

crystalline white

**Odor**

odourless

**Odor Threshold**

Not applicable

**pH**

4.8 (20.1 °C)

Concentration: 1,070 g/l

GLP: yes

### **Melting point/ range**

173 °C

Method: lit.

### **Boiling point/boiling range**

<= 400 °C (1,013 hPa)

Method: OECD Test Guideline 103

GLP: yes

### **Flash point**

500°C

### **Evaporation rate**

No data available

### **Flammability (solid, gas)**

The product is not flammable.

Method: Flammability (solids)

GLP: yes

### **Burning rate**

No data available

Self-ignition : GLP: yes not auto-flammable

### **Upper explosion limit / Upper flammability limit**

Not applicable

### **Lower explosion limit / Lower flammability limit**

Not applicable

### **Vapor pressure**

< 0.1 hPa (20 °C)

Method: OECD Test Guideline 104

GLP: yes

### **Relative vapor density**

No data available

### **Relative density**

1.91 (20 °C)

Method: OECD Test Guideline 109

GLP: yes

**Density**

1.890 g/cm<sup>3</sup> (20 °C)

**Water solubility**

1,000 g/l completely soluble (20 °C)

Method: OECD Test Guideline 105

GLP: yes

**Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water**

Not applicable for inorganic substances

**Autoignition temperature**

not combustible

**Decomposition temperature**

500 °C

**Viscosity, dynamic**

No data available

**Viscosity, kinematic**

No data available

**Flow time**

No data available

**Explosive properties**

No data available

**Oxidizing properties**

The product has been shown not to be oxidizing in a test following Directive 67/548/EEC (Method A17, Oxidizing properties).

GLP: yes

**Molecular weight**

97.18 g/mol

**Particle characteristics Particle size**

No data available

**Solubility**

H<sub>2</sub>O: 8 M at 20 °C, clear, colorless

**Physical state**

Liquid

**Colour**

colorless or white

### **Absorption**

cut-off at 274nm in H<sub>2</sub>O at 8M

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## **SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity**

### **Reactivity**

No data available

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Contact with acids liberates very toxic gas.

### **Chemical stability**

The product is chemically stable under standard ambient conditions (room temperature) .

### **Possibility of hazardous reactions**

Risk of explosion with: perchloryl fluoride Strong oxidizing agents Generates dangerous gases or fumes in contact with: Acids Possible formation of: Hydrogen cyanide (hydrocyanic acid) Risk of ignition or formation of inflammable gases or vapours with: Chlorites Generates dangerous gases or fumes in contact with: Acids

### **Conditions to avoid**

Avoid moisture. no information available

### **Incompatible materials**

No data available

### **Hazardous decomposition products**

In the event of fire: see section 5

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## **SECTION 11: Toxicological information**

### **11.1 Information on toxicological effects**

#### **Acute toxicity**

LD50 Oral - Rat - 854 mg/kg

Remarks: Behavioral:Convulsions or effect on seizure threshold.

Lungs, Thorax, or Respiration:Dyspnea.

(RTECS)

Acute toxicity estimate Inhalation - 1.6 mg/l - dust/mist (Expert judgement)

Remarks: Classified according to Regulation (EU) 1272/2008, Annex VI (Table 3.1/3.2)

Symptoms: Possible damages:, May cause irritation of respiratory tract.

Acute toxicity estimate Dermal - 1,100 mg/kg (Expert judgement)

Remarks: Classified according to Regulation (EU) 1272/2008, Annex VI (Table 3.1/3.2)

### **Skin corrosion/irritation**

Skin - reconstructed human epidermis (RhE)

Result: No skin irritation - 5 min (Regulation (EC) No. 440/2008, Annex, B.46)

Remarks: The value is given in analogy to the following substances: sodium thio- cyanate

### **Serious eye damage/eye irritation**

Eyes - Rabbit

Result: Irreversible effects on the eye (OECD Test Guideline 405)

Remarks: The value is given in analogy to the following substances: sodium thio- cyanate

### **Respiratory or skin sensitization**

Local lymph node assay (LLNA) - Mouse

Result: negative (OECD Test Guideline 429)

Remarks: The value is given in analogy to the following substances: sodium thio- cyanate

### **Germ cell mutagenicity**

Test Type: In vitro mammalian cell gene mutation test

Test system: Mouse lymphoma test

Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation

Method: OECD Test Guideline 476

Result: negative

Remarks: The value is given in analogy to the following substances: sodium thio- cyanate Test Type: Ames test

Test system: Salmonella typhimurium

Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation

Method: OECD Test Guideline 471

Result: negative

Remarks: The value is given in analogy to the following substances: Ammonium thiocyanate Test Type: Mutagenicity (mammal cell test): chromosome aberration.

Test system: Human lymphocytes

Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation

Method: OECD Test Guideline 473

Result: negative

Remarks: The value is given in analogy to the following substances: sodium thio- cyanate Carcinogenicity

No data available

### **Reproductive toxicity**

Classified based on available data. For more details, see section 2

#### **Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure**

Classified based on available data. For more details, see section 2

#### **Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure**

Classified based on available data. For more details, see section 2

### **Aspiration hazard**

Classified based on available data. For more details, see section 2

## **11.2 Additional Information**

Repeated dose toxicity - Rat - male and female - Oral - 92 d - No observed adverse effect level - 20 mg/kg

Remarks: The value is given in analogy to the following substances: Ammonium thiocyanate

RTECS: XL1925000

Nausea, Headache, Vomiting

To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

After absorption: agitation, spasms ataxia (impaired locomotor coordination)

Systemic effects:

CNS disorders cardiovascular disorders

After long-term exposure to the chemical:

Changes in the blood count

Other dangerous properties can not be excluded.

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

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## SECTION 12: Ecological information

### Ecotoxicity

#### Components:

##### Potassium thiocyanate:

###### Toxicity to fish

LC50 (Oncorhynchus mykiss (rainbow trout)): 65 mg/l End point: mortality Exposure time: 96 h Test Type: static test Analytical monitoring: yes Method: OECD Test Guideline 203 GLP: yes Remarks: The value is given in analogy to the following substances: The value is given in analogy to the following substances: Ammonium thiocyanate

###### Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates

EC50 (Daphnia magna (Water flea)): 3.56 mg/l End point: Immobilization Exposure time: 48 h Test Type: static test Analytical monitoring: yes Method: OECD Test Guideline 202 GLP: yes Remarks: The value is given in analogy to the following substances: The value is given in analogy to the following substances: Ammonium thiocyanate

###### Toxicity to algae/aquatic plants

ErC50 (Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata): > 234.3 mg/l Exposure time: 72 h Test Type: static test Analytical monitoring: yes Method: OECD Test Guideline 201 GLP: yes Remarks: The value is given in analogy to the following substances: The value is given in analogy to the following substances: Ammonium thiocyanate

###### Toxicity to fish (Chronic toxicity)

NOEC (Pimephales promelas (fathead minnow)): 1.84 mg/l Exposure time: 124 d Test Type: flow-through test Analytical monitoring: yes Remarks: (ECHA)

###### Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates (Chronic toxicity)

EC50 (Daphnia magna (Water flea)): 2.6 mg/l End point: reproduction rate Exposure time: 21 d Test Type: semi-static test Analytical monitoring: yes Method: OECD Test Guideline 211 GLP: yes Remarks: The value is given in analogy to the following substances: The value is given in analogy to the following substances: Ammonium thiocyanate

###### Toxicity to microorganisms

NOEC (activated sludge):  $\geq$  2 mg/l Exposure time: 28 d Test Type: static test Method: OECD Test Guideline 301D GLP: yes Remarks: The value is given in analogy to the following substances: The value is given in analogy to the following substances: Ammonium thiocyanate The value is given in analogy to the following substances: Potassium thiocyanate

### Ecotoxicology Assessment

#### Chronic aquatic toxicity

Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

## **Persistence and degradability**

### **Components:**

#### **Potassium thiocyanate:**

##### **Biodegradability**

aerobic Inoculum: activated sludge Concentration: 2 mg/l Result: Readily biodegradable. Biodegradation: 80 % Exposure time: 28 d Method: OECD Test Guideline 301D GLP: yes Remarks: The value is given in analogy to the following substances: The value is given in analogy to the following substances: Ammonium thiocyanate

#### **Bioaccumulative potential**

### **Components:**

#### **Potassium thiocyanate:**

##### **Bioaccumulation**

Species: Oncorhynchus mykiss (rainbow trout) Bioconcentration factor (BCF): 13.4 Exposure time: 16 Weeks Concentration: 35000 µg/l

##### **Partition coefficient: noctanol/water**

Remarks: Not applicable for inorganic substances

##### **Mobility in soil**

No data available

##### **Other adverse effects**

No data available

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## SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

### **Disposal methods**

#### **Waste from residues**

Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company.

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## SECTION 14: Transport information

### **International Regulations**

#### **IATA-DGR**

Not regulated as a dangerous good

UN/ID No. : Not applicable

Proper shipping name : Not applicable

Class : Not applicable

Subsidiary risk : Not applicable

Packing group : Not applicable

Labels : Not applicable

Packing instruction (cargo aircraft) : Not applicable

Packing instruction (passenger aircraft) : Not applicable

### **IMDG-Code**

Not regulated as a dangerous good

UN number : Not applicable

Proper shipping name : Not applicable

Class : Not applicable

Subsidiary risk : Not applicable

Packing group : Not applicable

Labels : Not applicable

EmS Code : Not applicable

Marine pollutant : no

### **Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code**

Not applicable for product as supplied.

### **National Regulations**

#### **JT/T 617**

UN number : Not applicable

Proper shipping name : Not applicable

Class : Not applicable

Subsidiary risk : Not applicable

Packing group : Not applicable

Labels : Not applicable

Environmentally hazardous : no

### **Special precautions for user**

Remarks : Not classified as dangerous in the meaning of transport regulations.

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## **SECTION 15: Regulatory information**

### **National regulatory information**

#### **Regulations on Safety Management of Hazardous Chemicals**

#### **Catalogue of Hazardous Chemicals**

#### **Hazardous Chemicals for Priority Management**

Not applicable under SAWS

## Regulation of Environmental Management on the First Import of Chemicals and the Import and Export of Toxic Chemicals

### China Severely Restricted Toxic Chemicals for Import and Export

Not applicable

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## SECTION 16: Other information

### Full text of other abbreviations

AIIIC - Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals

ANTT - National Agency for Transport by Land of Brazil

ASTM - American Society for the Testing of Materials

bw - Body weight

CMR - Carcinogen, Mutagen or Reproductive Toxicant

DIN - Standard of the German Institute for Standardisation

DSL - Domestic Substances List (Canada)

EC<sub>x</sub> - Concentration associated with x% response

EL<sub>x</sub> - Loading rate associated with x% response

EmS - Emergency Schedule

ENCS - Existing and New Chemical Substances (Japan)

ErC<sub>x</sub> - Concentration associated with x% growth rate response

ERG - Emergency Response Guide

GHS - Globally Harmonised System

GLP - Good Laboratory Practice

IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer

IATA - International Air Transport Association

IBC - International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk

IC<sub>50</sub> - Half maximal inhibitory concentration

ICAO - International Civil Aviation Organization

IECSC - Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China

IMDG - International Maritime Dangerous Goods

IMO - International Maritime Organisation

ISHL - Industrial Safety and Health Law (Japan)

ISO - International Organisation for Standardisation

KECI - Korea Existing Chemicals Inventory

LC<sub>50</sub> - Lethal Concentration to 50 % of a test population

LD<sub>50</sub> - Lethal Dose to 50% of a test population (Median Lethal Dose)

MARPOL - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships

MERCOSUR - The Agreement for the Facilitation of the Transport of Dangerous Goods

n.o.s. - Not Otherwise Specified

Nch - Chilean Norm

NO(A)EC - No Observed (Adverse) Effect Concentration

NO(A)EL - No Observed (Adverse) Effect Level

NOELR - No Observable Effect Loading Rate

NOM - Official Mexican Norm

NTP - National Toxicology Program

NZIoC - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals

OECD - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development

OPPTS - Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention

PBT - Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic substance

PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances

(Q)SAR - (Quantitative) Structure Activity Relationship

REACH - Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals

SADT - Self-Accelerating Decomposition Temperature

SDS - Safety Data Sheet

TCSI - Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory

TDG - Transportation of Dangerous Goods

TECI - Thailand Existing Chemicals Inventory

TSCA - Toxic Substances Control Act (United States)

UN - United Nations

UNRTDG - United Nations Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods

vPvB - Very Persistent and Very Bioaccumulative

WHMIS - Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System

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