

# Safety Data Sheet

## Potassium Oxalate, Monohydrate

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### Section 1 Product Description

**Product Name:** Potassium Oxalate, Monohydrate  
**Recommended Use:** Science education applications  
**Synonyms:** Oxalic Acid Dipotassium Salt  
**Distributor:** Carolina Biological Supply Company  
2700 York Road, Burlington, NC 27215  
1-800-227-1150  
**Chemical Information:** 800-227-1150 (8am-5pm (ET) M-F)  
**Chemtrec:** 800-424-9300 (Transportation Spill Response 24 hours)

### Section 2 Hazard Identification

Classification of the chemical in accordance with paragraph (d) of §1910.1200;

**WARNING**



Harmful if swallowed or in contact with skin. Causes skin irritation. Causes serious eye irritation.

**GHS Classification:**

Skin Corrosion/Irritation Category 2, Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation Category 2A, Acute Toxicity - Dermal Category 4, Acute Toxicity - Oral Category 4

**Acute Toxicity Inhalation Gas** 100 % of the mixture consists of ingredient(s) of unknown toxicity  
**Contains**  
**Acute Toxicity Inhalation Vapor** 100 % of the mixture consists of ingredient(s) of unknown toxicity  
**Contains**  
**Acute Toxicity Inhalation Dust/Mist** 100 % of the mixture consists of ingredient(s) of unknown toxicity  
**Contains**

### Section 3 Composition / Information on Ingredients

<u>Chemical Name</u>	<u>CAS #</u>	<u>%</u>
Potassium Oxalate, Monohydrate	6487-48-5	100

### Section 4 First Aid Measures

**Emergency and First Aid Procedures**

**Inhalation:** In case of accident by inhalation: remove casualty to fresh air and keep at rest.  
**Eyes:** IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.  
**Skin Contact:** IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention. Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse.  
**Ingestion:** IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.

### Section 5 Firefighting Procedures

**Extinguishing Media:** Use alcohol resistant foam, carbon dioxide, dry chemical, or water spray when fighting fires. Water or foam may cause frothing if liquid is burning but it still may be a useful extinguishing agent if carefully applied to the fire. Do not direct a water stream directly into the hot burning liquid.

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**Fire Fighting Methods and Protection:** Firefighters should wear full protective equipment and NIOSH approved self-contained breathing apparatus.

**Fire and/or Explosion Hazards:** Fire or excessive heat may produce hazardous decomposition products.

**Hazardous Combustion Products:** K<sub>2</sub>O - Potassium Oxide,, Carbon oxides

## Section 6 Spill or Leak Procedures

**Steps to Take in Case Material Is Released or Spilled:** Exposure to the spilled material may be irritating or harmful. Follow personal protective equipment recommendations found in Section 8 of this SDS. Additional precautions may be necessary based on special circumstances created by the spill including; the material spilled, the quantity of the spill, the area in which the spill occurred. Also consider the expertise of employees in the area responding to the spill. Ventilate the contaminated area. Isolate area. Keep unnecessary personnel away. Avoid contact with material. Avoid creating and inhaling dust. Avoid contact with skin and eyes.

Ventilate the area by opening door and/or turning on fans and blowers. Reduce airborne dust and prevent scattering by moistening with water Vacuum or sweep up material and place in a disposal container Contain the discharged material. Do not allow the spilled product to enter public drainage system or open waterways.

## Section 7 Handling and Storage

**Handling:** Wash thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.

**Storage:** Keep container tightly closed in a cool, well-ventilated place.

**Storage Code:** Green - general chemical storage

## Section 8 Protection Information

<u>Chemical Name</u>	<u>ACGIH</u>	<u>OSHA PEL</u>		
	<u>(TWA)</u>	<u>(STEL)</u>	<u>(TWA)</u>	<u>(STEL)</u>
No data available	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

### Control Parameters

**Engineering Measures:** No exposure limits exist for the constituents of this product. General room ventilation might be required to maintain operator comfort under normal conditions of use.

**Personal Protective Equipment (PPE):** Lab coat, apron, eye wash, safety shower.

**Respiratory Protection:** No respiratory protection required under normal conditions of use. Respiratory protection may be required in addition to ventilation depending upon conditions of use.

**Eye Protection:** Wear chemical splash goggles when handling this product. Have an eye wash station available.

**Skin Protection:** Avoid skin contact by wearing chemically resistant gloves, an apron and other protective equipment depending upon conditions of use. Inspect gloves for chemical break-through and replace at regular intervals. Clean protective equipment regularly. Wash hands and other exposed areas with mild soap and water before eating, drinking, and when leaving work.

**Gloves:** Nitrile

## Section 9 Physical Data

<b>Formula:</b> K <sub>2</sub> C <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> •H <sub>2</sub> O	<b>Vapor Pressure:</b> N/A
<b>Molecular Weight:</b> 184.2	<b>Evaporation Rate (BuAc=1):</b> N/A
<b>Appearance:</b> Beige Powder	<b>Vapor Density (Air=1):</b> N/A
<b>Odor:</b> No data available	<b>Specific Gravity:</b> 2.127 at 39°C
<b>Odor Threshold:</b> No data available	<b>Solubility in Water:</b> Soluble
<b>pH:</b> 7.0 - 8.5 at 50 g/l at 25 °C	<b>Log Pow (calculated):</b> No data available
<b>Melting Point:</b> No data available	<b>Autoignition Temperature:</b> No data available
<b>Boiling Point:</b> No data available	<b>Decomposition Temperature:</b> No data available
<b>Flash Point:</b> No data available	<b>Viscosity:</b> No data available
<b>Flammable Limits in Air:</b> N/A	<b>Percent Volatile by Volume:</b> N/A

## Section 10 Reactivity Data

**Reactivity:** No data available

**Chemical Stability:** Stable under normal conditions.

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**Conditions to Avoid:** Exposure to moisture  
**Incompatible Materials:** Ammonia, Halogens, Heavy Metals., Cyanides,  
**Hazardous Decomposition Products:** Carbon oxides, K<sub>2</sub>O - Potassium Oxide,  
**Hazardous Polymerization:** Will not occur

## Section 11 Toxicity Data

**Routes of Entry:** Inhalation, ingestion, eye or skin contact.  
**Symptoms (Acute):** Respiratory disorders  
**Delayed Effects:** No data available

Acute Toxicity:	CAS Number	Oral LD50	Dermal LD50	Inhalation LC50
<b>Chemical Name:</b> No data available	6487-48-5	Not determined	Not determined	Not determined

Carcinogenicity:	CAS Number	IARC	NTP	OSHA
<b>Chemical Name:</b> No data available	6487-48-5	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

**Chronic Effects:**  
**Mutagenicity:** No evidence of a mutagenic effect.  
**Teratogenicity:** No evidence of a teratogenic effect (birth defect).  
**Sensitization:** No evidence of a sensitization effect.  
**Reproductive:** No evidence of negative reproductive effects.  
**Target Organ Effects:**  
**Acute:** See Section 2  
**Chronic:** Not listed as a carcinogen by IARC, NTP or OSHA.

## Section 12 Ecological Data

**Overview:** This material is not expected to be harmful to the ecology. Keep out of waterways.  
**Mobility:** No data  
**Persistence:** No data  
**Bioaccumulation:** No data  
**Degradability:** No data  
**Other Adverse Effects:** No data

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Eco Toxicity
N/A	6487-48-5	

## Section 13 Disposal Information

**Disposal Methods:** Dispose in accordance with all applicable Federal, State and Local regulations. Always contact a permitted waste disposer (TSD) to assure compliance.  
**Waste Disposal Code(s):** Not Determined

## Section 14 Transport Information

**Ground - DOT Proper Shipping Name:** Not regulated for transport by US DOT.  
**Air - IATA Proper Shipping Name:** Not regulated for air transport by IATA.

## Section 15 Regulatory Information

**TSCA Status:** A component (or components) of this product is not listed on the TSCA Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances. Product is for research and development use only.

Chemical Name	CAS Number	§ 313 Name	§ 304 RQ	CERCLA RQ	§ 302 TPQ	CAA 112(2) TQ
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## Additional Information

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### Glossary

ACGIH	American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists	NTP	National Toxicology Program
CAS	Chemical Abstract Service Number	OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
CERCLA	Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act	PEL	Permissible Exposure Limit
DOT	U.S. Department of Transportation	ppm	Parts per million
IARC	International Agency for Research on Cancer	RCRA	Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
N/A	Not Available	SARA	Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act
		TLV	Threshold Limit Value
		TSCA	Toxic Substances Control Act
		IDLH	Immediately dangerous to life and health