Material Safety Data Sheet
Potassium bromide

MSDS# 19280

Section 1 - Chemical Product and Company Identification

MSDS
Name: Potassium bromide

Catalog Numbers:
AC196480000, AC196480010, AC206390000, AC206391000, AC222550000, AC222551000
AC222551000, AC222555000, AC423010000, AC423011000, AC424070000, AC424070025
AC424070025, AC424070050, 42407-5000, P205-3, P205-500, P227-25

Synonyms: Hydrobromic acid potassium salt; Bromide salt of potassium.

Company Identification:
Fisher Scientific
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Fair Lawn, NJ 07410

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201-796-7100

Emergency Number US:
201-796-7100

CHEMTREC Phone Number, US:
800-424-9300

Section 2 - Composition, Information on Ingredients

CAS#:
7758-02-3

Chemical Name:
Potassium bromide

%:
>98

EINECS#:
231-830-3

Hazard Symbols:
XI

Risk Phrases:
36

Section 3 - Hazards Identification
EMERGENCY OVERVIEW

Warning! Causes eye irritation. Hygroscopic (absorbs moisture from the air). May cause central nervous system effects. Possible risk of harm to the unborn child. Target Organs: Central nervous system, eyes.

Potential Health Effects

Eye: Causes eye irritation.

Skin: May cause skin irritation. Exposure to bromides may cause rashes, especially of the face (resembling acne) and boils. May cause central nervous system depression, characterized by excitement, followed by headache, dizziness, drowsiness, and nausea. Advanced stages may cause collapse, unconsciousness, coma and possible death due to respiratory failure.

Inhalation: Inhalation of bromides may cause irritation of the upper respiratory tract and lung tissue. Chronic ingestion may cause bromism characterized by disturbances of the central nervous system, skin and digestive tract. Repeated oral intake of bromides (>9 mg/kg/day) may affect the central nervous system. Warning symptoms include mental dullness, slurred speech, weakened memory, apathy, anorexia, constipation, drowsiness and loss of sensitivity to touch and pain.

Section 4 - First Aid Measures

Eyes: In case of contact, immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical aid.
**Skin:** In case of contact, flush skin with plenty of water. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Get medical aid if irritation develops and persists. Wash clothing before reuse.

**Ingestion:** If swallowed, do not induce vomiting unless directed to do so by medical personnel. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Get medical aid.

**Inhalation:** If inhaled, remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical aid.

**Notes to Physician:** Treat symptomatically and supportively.

**Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures**

**General Information:** As in any fire, wear a self-contained breathing apparatus in pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent), and full protective gear. Substance is noncombustible.

**Extinguishing Media:** Use extinguishing media most appropriate for the surrounding fire.

- **Autoignition Temperature:** Not applicable.
- **Flash Point:** Not applicable.
- **Explosion Limits:** Not available
  - **Lower:**
  - **Upper:** Not available

**NFPA Rating:**
- Health: 1; Flammability: 0; Instability: 0;

**Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures**

**General Information:** Use proper personal protective equipment as indicated in Section 8.

**Spills/Leaks:** Vacuum or sweep up material and place into a suitable disposal container. Avoid generating dusty conditions. Provide ventilation.

**Section 7 - Handling and Storage**

**Handling:** Wash thoroughly after handling. Remove contaminated clothing and wash before reuse. Use with adequate ventilation. Minimize dust generation and accumulation. Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Avoid breathing dust.

**Storage:** Store in a cool, dry place. Store protected from moisture.

**Section 8 - Exposure Controls, Personal Protection**

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**OSHA Vacated PELs:** Potassium bromide: None listed

**Engineering Controls:** Facilities storing or utilizing this material should be equipped with an eyewash facility and a safety shower. Use adequate ventilation to keep airborne concentrations low.

**Exposure Limits**

**Personal Protective Equipment**

**Eyes:** Wear appropriate protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles as described by OSHA's eye and face protection regulations in 29 CFR 1910.133 or European Standard EN166.

**Skin:** Wear appropriate gloves to prevent skin exposure.

**Clothing:** Wear appropriate protective clothing to minimize contact with skin.

Follow the OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard EN 149. Use a Respirators: NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced.

**Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties**

**Physical State:** Crystalline powder
Color: white
Odor: odorless
pH: Neutral in solution.
Vapor Pressure: Not applicable.
Vapor Density: Not applicable.
Evaporation Rate: Not applicable.
Viscosity: Not applicable.
Boiling Point: 1435 deg C (2,615.00°F)
Freezing/Melting Point: 730 deg C (1,346.00°F)
Decomposition Temperature: Not available
Solubility in water: Soluble
Specific Gravity/Density: 2.75
Molecular Formula: KBr
Molecular Weight: 119

Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

Chemical Stability: Stable under normal temperatures and pressures. Hygroscopic: absorbs moisture or water from the air.
Conditions to Avoid: Dust generation, moisture.
Incompatibilities with Other Materials: Strong acids.
Hazardous Decomposition Products: Hydrogen bromide, oxides of potassium.
Hazardous Polymerization: Will not occur.

Section 11 - Toxicological Information

RTECS#: CAS# 7758-02-3: TS7650000
LD50/LC50: CAS# 7758-02-3: Oral, mouse: LD50 = 3120 mg/kg; Oral, rat: LD50 = 3070 mg/kg
Carcinogenicity: Potassium bromide - Not listed as a carcinogen by ACGIH, IARC, NTP, or CA Prop 65.
Other: See actual entry in RTECS for complete information.

Section 12 - Ecological Information

Not available

Section 13 - Disposal Considerations

Dispose of in a manner consistent with federal, state, and local regulations.

Section 14 - Transport Information

US DOT
Shipping Name: Not Regulated
Hazard Class:
UN Number:
Packing Group:
Canada TDG
Shipping Name: Not regulated as a hazardous material
Hazard Class:
UN Number:
Packing Group:

Section 15 - Regulatory Information

European/International Regulations
European Labeling in Accordance with EC Directives
Hazard Symbols: XI
Risk Phrases:
   R 36 Irritating to eyes.

Safety Phrases:
   S 26 In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.
   S 39 Wear eye/face protection.

WGK (Water Danger/Protection)
   CAS# 7758-02-3: 1

Canada
   CAS# 7758-02-3 is listed on Canada's DSL List
   Canadian WHMIS Classifications: D2A
   This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations and the MSDS contains all of the information required by those regulations.
   CAS# 7758-02-3 is listed on Canada's Ingredient Disclosure List

US Federal
   TSCA
   CAS# 7758-02-3 is listed on the TSCA Inventory.

Section 16 - Other Information
   MSDS Creation Date: 7/09/1998
   Revision #8 Date 7/20/2009

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