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

1.1 Product identifier
Trade name ***Potassium hydride, 30% w/w in mineral oil***
Stock number: L13266
CAS Number: 7693-26-7
1.2 Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against.
Identified use: SU24 Scientific research and development

1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet
Manufacturer/Supplier: Alfa Aesar GmbH & Co.KG
A Johnson Matthey Company
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Informing department: Product safety Tel + +049 (0) 7275 988687-0
1.4 Emergency telephone number: Carechem 24: +44 (o) 1235 239 670 (Multi-language emergency number)
Poison Information Center Mainz
www.giftinfo.uni-mainz.de Telephone: +49(0)6131/19240

SECTION 2: Hazards identification

2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture
Classification according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008


GHS02 flame

Water-react. 1 H260 In contact with water releases flammable gases which may ignite spontaneously.


GHS05 corrosion

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

Classification according to Directive 67/548/EEC or Directive 1999/45/EC
C; Corrosive
R34: Causes burns.
F; Highly flammable
R14/15: Reacts violently with water, liberating extremely flammable gases.
Information concerning particular hazards for human and environment: Not applicable
Other hazards that do not result in classification No information known.

2.2 Label elements
Labelling according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 The substance is classified and labelled according to the CLP regulation.
Hazard pictograms GHS02, GHS05
Signal word Danger
Hazard statements H260 In contact with water releases flammable gases which may ignite spontaneously.
H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
Precautionary statements
P231+P232 Handle under inert gas. Protect from moisture.
P260 Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.
P303+P361+P353 IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.
P305+P351+P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
P405 Store locked up.
P501 Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.
Additional information: EUH014 Reacts violently with water.
2.3 Other hazards
Results of PBT and vPvB assessment
PBT: Not applicable.
vPvB: Not applicable.

SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

3.1 Substances
CAS# Designation: 7693-26-7 Potassium hydride, 30% w/w in mineral oil

SECTION 4: First aid measures

4.1 Description of first aid measures
General information Instantly remove any clothing soiled by the product.
After inhalation Supply fresh air. If required, provide artificial respiration. Keep patient warm. Consult doctor if symptoms persist.
Seek immediate medical advice.
After skin contact Instantly wash with water and soap and rinse thoroughly.
Seek immediate medical advice.
After eye contact Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. Then consult doctor.
After swallowing Seek medical treatment.
4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed No further relevant information available.
4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed No further relevant information available.

SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

5.1 Extinguishing media
Suitable extinguishing agents In case of fire, use sand, carbon dioxide or powdered extinguishing agent. Never use water.
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For safety reasons unsuitable extinguishing agents Water.
5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture Reacts violently with water
If this product is involved in a fire, the following can be released:
Potassium oxide
Carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide

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5.3 Advice for firefighters
Protective equipment: Wear self-contained breathing apparatus.
Wear full protective suit.

SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures Wear protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.
Ensure adequate ventilation
Keep away from ignition sources
6.2 Environmental precautions: Do not allow material to be released to the environment without proper governmental permits.
Do not allow product to reach sewage system or water bodies.
Do not allow to enter the ground/soil.
6.3 Methods and material for containment and cleaning up: Keep away from ignition sources.
Use neutralizing agent.
Dispose of contaminated material as waste according to item 13.
Ensure adequate ventilation.
Do not flush with water or aqueous cleansing agents
Prevention of secondary hazards: Keep away from ignition sources.
6.4 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 information on disposal.

SECTION 7: Handling and storage

7.1 Precautions for safe handling Handle under dry protective gas.
Keep containers tightly sealed.
Store in cool, dry place in tightly closed containers.
Ensure good ventilation/exhaustion at the workplace.
Information about protection against explosions and fires: No information known.

7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities
Storage
Requirements to be met by storerooms and containers: No special requirements.
Information about storage in one common storage facility: Store away from oxidizing agents.
Store away from water.
Further information about storage conditions: Store under dry inert gas.
This product is moisture sensitive.
Protect from humidity and keep away from water.
Keep container tightly sealed.
Store in cool, dry conditions in well sealed containers.
Store in a locked cabinet or with access restricted to technical experts or their assistants.
7.3 Specific end use(s) No further relevant information available.

SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

Additional information about design of technical systems: Properly operating chemical fume hood designed for hazardous chemicals and having an average face velocity of at least 100 feet per minute.

Components with critical values that require monitoring at the workplace:

Oil mist, mineral

	mg/m3
ACGIH TLV	5
Ireland TWA	5; 10-STEL
Netherlands TWA	5
United Kingdom TWA	5; 10-STEL

8.1 Control parameters
Components with critical values that require monitoring at the workplace: The product does not contain any relevant quantities of materials with critical values that have to be monitored at the workplace.
Additional information: No data

8.2 Exposure controls
Personal protective equipment
General protective and hygienic measures The usual precautionary measures should be adhered to in handling the chemicals.
Keep away from foodstuffs, beverages and food.
Instantly remove any soiled and impregnated garments.
Wash hands during breaks and at the end of the work.
Avoid contact with the eyes and skin.
Maintain an ergonomically appropriate working environment.
Breathing equipment: Use breathing protection with high concentrations.
Protection of hands: Check protective gloves prior to each use for their proper condition.
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.
Material of gloves Impervious gloves
Penetration time of glove material Not determined
Eye protection: Tightly sealed safety glasses.
Full face protection
Body protection: Protective work clothing.

SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties
General Information
Appearance:
Form: Powder
Colour: Light grey
Smell: Odourless
Odour threshold: Not determined.

pH-value: Not applicable.

Change in condition
Melting point/Melting range: Not determined

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Boiling point/Boiling range:	Not determined
Sublimation temperature / start:	Not determined
Flash point:	160 °C
Inflammability (solid, gaseous)	Contact with water liberates extremely flammable gases.
Ignition temperature:	Not determined
Decomposition temperature:	Not determined
Self-inflammability:	Not determined.
Critical values for explosion:	
Lower:	Not determined
Upper:	Not determined
Steam pressure:	Not applicable.
Density at 20 °C	1,45 g/cm³
Relative density	Not determined.
Vapour density	Not applicable.
Evaporation rate	Not applicable.
Solubility in / Miscibility with	
Water:	Reacts violently Contact with water releases flammable gases
Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water):	Not determined.
Viscosity:	
dynamic:	Not applicable.
kinematic:	Not applicable.
9.2 Other information	No further relevant information available.

SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

10.1 Reactivity	Reacts violently with water. In contact with water releases flammable gases which may ignite spontaneously.
10.2 Chemical stability	Stable under recommended storage conditions.
Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:	No decomposition if used and stored according to specifications.
10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions	Contact with water releases flammable gases Reacts violently with water
10.5 Incompatible materials:	Oxidizing agents Water/moisture
10.6 Hazardous decomposition products:	Carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide Potassium oxide

SECTION 11: Toxicological information

11.1 Information on toxicological effects	
Acute toxicity:	Swallowing will lead to a strong caustic effect on mouth and throat and to the danger of perforation of esophagus and stomach.
LD/LC50 values that are relevant for classification:	No data
Skin irritation or corrosion:	Causes severe skin burns.
Eye irritation or corrosion:	Causes serious eye damage.
Sensitization:	No sensitizing effect known.
Germ cell mutagenicity:	No effects known.
Carcinogenicity:	IARC-3: Not classifiable as to carcinogenicity to humans.
Reproductive toxicity:	No effects known.
Specific target organ system toxicity - repeated exposure:	No effects known.
Specific target organ system toxicity - single exposure:	No effects known.
Aspiration hazard:	No effects known.
Additional toxicological information:	To the best of our knowledge the acute and chronic toxicity of this substance is not fully known.

SECTION 12: Ecological information

12.1 Toxicity	
Aquatic toxicity:	No further relevant information available.
12.2 Persistence and degradability	No further relevant information available.
12.3 Bioaccumulative potential	No further relevant information available.
12.4 Mobility in soil	No further relevant information available.
Additional ecological information:	
General notes:	Do not allow material to be released to the environment without proper governmental permits. 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 bodies or sewage system. Avoid transfer into the environment.
12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment	
PBT:	Not applicable.
vPvB:	Not applicable.
12.6 Other adverse effects	No further relevant information available.

SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

13.1 Waste treatment methods	
Recommendation	Hand over to disposers of hazardous waste. Must be specially treated under adherence to official regulations. Consult state, local or national regulations for proper disposal.
Uncleaned packagings:	
Recommendation:	Disposal must be made according to official regulations.

SECTION 14: Transport information

UN-Number	
ADR, IMDG, IATA	UN1409
14.2 UN proper shipping name	
ADR	1409 METAL HYDRIDES, WATER-REACTIVE, N.O.S. (Potassium hydride, 30% w/w in mineral oil)
IMDG, IATA	METAL HYDRIDES, WATER-REACTIVE, N.O.S. (Potassium hydride, 30% w/w in mineral oil)

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14.3 Transport hazard class(es)

ADR

Class	4.3 (W2) Substances which, in contact with water, emit flammable gases.
Label	4.3

IMDG, IATA

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Label	4.3
Packing group	
ADR, IMDG, IATA	I
14.5 Environmental hazards:	Not applicable.
14.6 Special precautions for user	Warning: Substances which, in contact with water, emit flammable gases.
14.7 Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code	Not applicable.
Transport/Additional information:	
ADR	
Excepted quantities (EQ):	E0
Limited quantities (LQ)	0
Transport category	1
Tunnel restriction code	E
UN "Model Regulation":	UN1409, METAL HYDRIDES, WATER-REACTIVE, N.O.S. (Potassium hydride, 30% w/w in mineral oil), 4.3, I

SECTION 15: Regulatory information

15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances	Substance is listed.
Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Drugs and Poisons	Substance is not listed.
National regulations	
Information about limitation of use:	Employment restrictions concerning young persons must be observed. For use only by technically qualified individuals.
Water hazard class:	Water hazard class 1 (Self-assessment): slightly hazardous for water.
Other regulations, limitations and prohibitive regulations	
ELINCS (European List of Notified Chemical Substances)	Substance is not listed.
Substances of very high concern (SVHC) according to REACH, Article 57	Substance is not listed.
REACH - Pre-registered substances	Substance is listed.
15.2 Chemical safety assessment:	A Chemical Safety Assessment has not been carried out.

SECTION 16: Other information

Employers should use this information only as a supplement to other information gathered by them, and should make independent judgement of suitability of this information to ensure proper use and protect the health and safety of employees. This information is furnished without warranty, and any use of the product not in conformance with this Material Safety Data Sheet, or in combination with any other product or process, is the responsibility of the user.

Department issuing data specification sheet: Health, Safety and Environmental Department.

Abbreviations and acronyms:

RID: Règlement international concernant le transport des marchandises dangereuses par chemin de fer (Regulations Concerning the International Transport of Dangerous Goods by Rail)
ICAO: International Civil Aviation Organization
ADR: Accord européen sur le transport des marchandises dangereuses par Route (European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road)
IMDG: International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods
IATA: International Air Transport Association
GHS: Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals
CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society)
LC50: Lethal concentration, 50 percent
LD50: Lethal dose, 50 percent