

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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## SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

**Product Identifier:** (5N) 99.999% Potassium Dichromate

**Product Code:** K-CRAT2-05

**CAS Number:** 7778-50-9

**Relevant identified uses of the substance:** Scientific research and development

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## SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Classification of the substance or mixture

Classification according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

GHS03 Flame over circle

Ox. Sol. 2 H272 May intensify fire; oxidizer.

GHS06 Skull and crossbones

Acute Tox. 3 H301 Toxic if swallowed.

Acute Tox. 2 H330 Fatal if inhaled.

GHS08 Health hazard

Resp. Sens. 1 H334 May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled.

Muta. 1B H340 May cause genetic defects.

Carc. 1B H350 May cause cancer.

Repr. 1B H360 May damage fertility or the unborn child.

STOT RE 1 H372 Causes damage to the lung, the kidneys, the liver, the heart, the reproductive system, the blood, the bladder and the endocrine system through prolonged or repeated exposure.

Route of exposure: Oral.

GHS05 Corrosion

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

GHS07

Acute Tox. 4 H312 Harmful in contact with skin.

Skin Sens. 1 H317 May cause an allergic skin reaction.

Classification according to Directive 67/548/EEC or Directive 1999/45/EC

T+; Very toxic

R26: Very toxic by inhalation.

T; Toxic

Carc. Cat. 2, Muta. Cat. 2, Repr. Cat. 2

R45-46-60-61-25-48/23: May cause cancer.

May cause heritable genetic damage. May impair fertility. May cause harm to the unborn child. Toxic if swallowed.

Toxic: danger of serious damage to health by prolonged exposure through inhalation.

C; Corrosive

R34: Causes burns.

Xn; Harmful

R21: Harmful in contact with skin.

Xn; Sensitizing

R42/43: May cause sensitization by inhalation and skin contact.

O; Oxidizing

R8: Contact with combustible material may cause fire.

N; Dangerous for the environment

R50/53: Very toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.

Information concerning particular hazards for human and environment:

N/A

Hazards not otherwise classified

No data available

Label elements

Labelling according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

The substance is classified and labeled according to the CLP regulation.

Hazard pictograms



GHS03

GHS05

GHS06

GHS08

Signal word

Danger

Hazard statements

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H301 Toxic if swallowed.

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H330 Fatal if inhaled.

H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

H334 May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled.

H317 May cause an allergic skin reaction.

H340 May cause genetic defects.

H350 May cause cancer.

H360 May damage fertility or the unborn child.

H372 Causes damage to the lung, the kidneys, the liver, the heart, the reproductive system, the blood, the bladder and the endocrine system through prolonged or repeated exposure. Route of exposure:

Oral.

Precautionary statements

P221 Take any precaution to avoid mixing with combustibles.

P301+P310 IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER/ doctor/...

P303+P361+P353 If on skin (or hair): 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.

P320 Specific treatment is urgent (see on this label).

P405 Store locked up.

P501 Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.

WHMIS classification

C - Oxidizing materials

D1A - Very toxic material causing immediate and serious toxic effects

D2A - Very toxic material causing other toxic effects

E - Corrosive material

Classification system

HMIS ratings (scale 0-4)

(Hazardous Materials Identification System)

HEALTH

FIRE

REACTIVITY

3

2

3

Health (acute effects) = 3

Flammability = 2

Physical Hazard = 3

Other hazards

Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

PBT:

N/A

vPvB:

N/A

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## SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Substances

CAS No. / Substance Name:

7778-50-9 Potassium dichromate

Identification number(s):

EC number:

231-906-6

Index number:

024-002-00-6

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## SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Description of first aid measures

General information

Immediately remove any clothing soiled by the product.

Remove breathing apparatus only after contaminated clothing has been completely removed.

In case of irregular breathing or respiratory arrest provide artificial respiration.

If inhaled:

Supply patient with fresh air. If not breathing, provide artificial respiration. Keep patient warm.

Seek immediate medical advice.

In case of skin contact:

Immediately wash with soap and water; rinse thoroughly.

Seek immediate medical advice.

In case of eye contact:

Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. Consult a physician.

If swallowed:

Do not induce vomiting; immediately call for medical help.

Information for doctor

Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Causes severe skin burns.

Causes serious eye damage.

Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

No data available

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## **SECTION 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES**

Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing agents

Carbon dioxide, extinguishing powder or water spray. Fight larger fires with water spray or alcohol resistant foam.

For safety reasons unsuitable extinguishing agents

Halocarbon extinguisher

Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

This substance is an oxidizer and its heat of reaction with reducing agents or combustibles may cause ignition.

If this product is involved in a fire, the following can be released:

Potassium oxide

Chromium oxides

Advice for firefighters

Protective equipment:

Wear self-contained respirator.

Wear fully protective impervious suit.

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## **SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Use personal protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.

Ensure adequate ventilation

Environmental precautions:

Do not allow material to be released to the environment without official permits.

Do not allow product to enter drains, sewage systems, or other water courses.

Do not allow material to penetrate the ground or soil.

Methods and materials for containment and cleanup:

Use neutralizing agent.

Dispose of contaminated material as waste according to section 13.

Ensure adequate ventilation.

Prevention of secondary hazards:

Acts as an oxidizing agent on organic materials such as wood, paper and fats

Keep away from combustible material.

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 disposal information.

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## **SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE**

### Handling

Precautions for safe handling

Keep container tightly sealed.

Store in cool, dry place in tightly closed containers.

Ensure good ventilation at the workplace.

Open and handle container with care.

Information about protection against explosions and fires:

Substance/product can reduce the ignition temperature of flammable substances.

This substance is an oxidizer and its heat of reaction with reducing agents or combustibles may cause ignition.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles:

No special requirements.

Information about storage in one common storage facility:

Store away from flammable substances.

Store away from reducing agents.

Do not store with organic materials.

Store away from metal powders.

Do not store together with acids.

Further information about storage conditions:

Keep container tightly sealed.

Store in cool, dry conditions in well-sealed containers.

Specific end use(s)

No data available

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## **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.

Control parameters

Components with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace:

BMGV: Chromium VI; 10  $\mu$  mol chromium/mol creatine in urine (sample post shift)

7778-50-9 Potassium dichromate (100.0%)

PEL (USA) Long-term value: 0.005\* mg/m<sup>3</sup>

Ceiling limit value: 0.1\*\* mg/m<sup>3</sup>

\*as Cr(VI) \*\*as CrO<sub>3</sub>; see 29 CFR 1910.1026

REL (USA) Long-term value: 0.001 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

as Cr; See Pocket Guide Apps. A and C

TLV (USA) Long-term value: 0.05 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

as Cr; BEI

Ingredients with biological limit values:

7778-50-9 Potassium dichromate (100.0%)

BEI (USA) 25  $\mu$ g/L

Medium: urine

Time: end of shift at end of workweek

Parameter: Total chromium (fume)

10 µg/L

Medium: urine

Time: increase during shift

Parameter: Total chromium (fume)

Additional information:

No data

Exposure controls

Personal protective equipment

Follow typical protective and hygienic practices for handling chemicals.

Keep away from foodstuffs, beverages and feed.

Remove all soiled and contaminated clothing immediately.

Wash hands before breaks and at the end of work.

Store protective clothing separately.

Avoid contact with the eyes and skin.

Maintain an ergonomically appropriate working environment.

Breathing equipment:

Respiratory protection equipment should be worn and maintained according to the suppliers specifications. Fit testing must be conducted at regular intervals.

Use self-contained respiratory protective device in emergency situations.

Recommended filter device for short term use:

Use a respirator with type P100 (USA) or P3 (EN 143) cartridges as a backup to engineering controls.

Risk assessment should be performed to determine if air-purifying respirators are appropriate. Only use equipment tested and approved under appropriate government standards.

Protection of hands:

Impervious gloves

Inspect gloves prior to use.

Suitability of gloves should be determined both by material and quality, the latter of which may vary by manufacturer.

Material of gloves

Nitrile rubber, NBR

Penetration time of glove material (in minutes)

480

Glove thickness

0.11 mm

Eye protection:

Tightly sealed goggles

Full face protection

Body protection:

Protective work clothing

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## SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance:

Form: Crystalline powder

Color: Orange

Odor: Odorless

Odor threshold: Not determined.

pH: N/A

Melting point/Melting range: 398 °C (748 °F)

Boiling point/Boiling range: Not determined

Sublimation temperature / start: Not determined  
Flammability (solid, gas)  
Contact with combustible material may cause fire.  
Ignition temperature: Not determined  
Decomposition temperature: Not determined  
Autoignition: Not determined.  
Danger of explosion: Not determined.  
Explosion limits:  
Lower: Not determined  
Upper: Not determined  
Vapor pressure at 20 °C (68 °F): 0 hPa  
Density at 20 °C (68 °F): 2.676 g/cm<sup>3</sup> (22.331 lbs/gal)  
Relative density  
Not determined.  
Vapor density  
N/A  
Evaporation rate  
N/A  
Solubility in / Miscibility with Water at 20 °C (68 °F): 125 g/l  
Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water): Not determined.  
Viscosity:  
Dynamic: N/A  
Kinematic: N/A  
Other information  
No data available

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## **SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

Reactivity  
May intensify fire; oxidizer.  
Chemical stability  
Stable under recommended storage conditions.  
Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:  
Decomposition will not occur if used and stored according to specifications.  
Possibility of hazardous reactions  
Reacts with reducing agents  
Reacts with flammable substances  
Conditions to avoid  
No data available  
Incompatible materials:  
Acids  
Reducing agents  
Flammable substances  
Organic materials  
Metal powders  
Hazardous decomposition products:  
Potassium oxide  
Chromium oxides

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## **SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

#### Information on toxicological effects

##### Acute toxicity:

Harmful in contact with skin.

Fatal if inhaled.

Toxic if swallowed.

Danger through skin absorption.

Swallowing will lead to a strong corrosive effect on mouth and throat and to the danger of perforation of esophagus and stomach.

The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) contains acute toxicity data for this substance.

LD/LC50 values that are relevant for classification:

Oral LD50 25 mg/kg (rat)

Dermal LD50 14 mg/kg (rabbit)

Skin irritation or corrosion:

Causes severe skin burns.

Eye irritation or corrosion:

Causes serious eye damage.

Sensitization:

May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled.

May cause an allergic skin reaction.

Germ cell mutagenicity:

May cause genetic defects.

The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) contains mutation data for this substance.

Carcinogenicity:

May cause cancer.

IARC-1: Carcinogenic to humans: sufficient evidence of carcinogenicity.

ACGIH A1: Confirmed human carcinogen: Agent is carcinogenic to humans based on epidemiologic studies of, or convincing clinical evidence in, exposed humans.

NTP-K: Known to be carcinogenic: sufficient evidence from human studies.

(inhalation) EPA-A: human carcinogen: sufficient evidence from epidemiologic studies to support a causal association between exposure and cancer.

(inhalation) EPA-K: Known human carcinogens.

(oral) EPA-D: Not classifiable as to human carcinogenicity: inadequate human and animal evidence of carcinogenicity or no data are available.

(oral) EPA-CBD: Carcinogenic potential cannot be determined.

Reproductive toxicity:

May damage fertility or the unborn child.

The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) contains reproductive data for this substance.

Specific target organ system toxicity - repeated exposure:

Causes damage to the lung, the kidneys, the liver, the heart, the reproductive system, the blood, the bladder and the endocrine system through prolonged or repeated exposure. Route of exposure: Oral.

Specific target organ system toxicity - single exposure:

No effects known.

Aspiration hazard:

No effects known.

Subacute to chronic toxicity:

The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) contains multiple dose toxicity data for this substance.

Additional toxicological information:

To the best of our knowledge the acute and chronic toxicity of this substance is not fully known.

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## SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Toxicity

Aquatic toxicity:

No data available

Persistence and degradability

No data available

Bioaccumulative potential

No data available

Mobility in soil

No data available

Ecotoxical effects:

Remark:

Very toxic for aquatic organisms

Additional ecological information:

Do not allow material to be released to the environment without official permits.

Do not allow product to reach groundwater, water courses, or sewage systems, even in small quantities.

Danger to drinking water if even extremely small quantities leak into the ground.

Also poisonous for fish and plankton in water bodies.

May cause long lasting harmful effects to aquatic life.

Avoid transfer into the environment.

Very toxic for aquatic organisms

Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

PBT:

N/A

vPvB:

N/A

Other adverse effects

No data available

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## SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste treatment methods

Recommendation

Consult official regulations to ensure proper disposal.

Uncleaned packagings:

Recommendation:

Disposal must be made according to official regulations.

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## SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

UN-Number

DOT, IMDG, IATA

UN3087

UN proper shipping name

DOT

Oxidizing solid, toxic, n.o.s. (Potassium dichromate)

IMDG, IATA

OXIDIZING SOLID, TOXIC, N.O.S. (Potassium dichromate)

Transport hazard class(es)

DOT

Class  
5.1 Oxidising substances.  
Label  
5.1+6.1  
Class  
5.1 (OT2) Oxidizing substances  
Label  
5.1+6.1  
IMDG, IATA  
Class  
5.1 Oxidising substances.  
Label  
5.1+6.1  
Packing group  
DOT, IMDG, IATA  
II  
Environmental hazards:  
Environmentally hazardous substance, solid  
Special precautions for user  
Warning: Oxidizing substances  
EMS Number: F-A,S-Q  
Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code  
N/A  
Transport/Additional information:  
DOT  
Marine Pollutant (DOT):  
No  
UN "Model Regulation":  
UN3087, Oxidizing solid, toxic, n.o.s. (Potassium dichromate), 5.1 (6.1), II

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## SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

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

All components of this product are listed in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Toxic Substances Control Act Chemical substance Inventory.

All components of this product are listed on the Canadian Domestic Substances List (DSL).

SARA Section 313 (specific toxic chemical listings)

7778-50-9 Potassium dichromate

California Proposition 65

Prop 65 - Chemicals known to cause cancer

7778-50-9 Potassium dichromate

Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity

Substance is not listed.

Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity, female

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Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity, male

7778-50-9 Potassium dichromate

Information about limitation of use:

Workers are not allowed to be exposed to this hazardous material. Exceptions can be made by the authorities in certain cases.

For use only by technically qualified individuals.

This substance is subject to a Significant New Use Rule (SNUR) promulgated under Section 5(a)(2) of

the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). See 40 CFR 721.  
This product is being sold for research and development use.  
Other regulations, limitations and prohibitive regulations  
Substance of Very High Concern (SVHC) according to the REACH Regulations (EC) No. 1907/2006.  
This substance is included in the Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 (REACH).  
The conditions of restrictions according to Article 67 and Annex XVII of the Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 (REACH) for the manufacturing, placing on the market and use must be observed.  
Substance is not listed.  
Annex XIV of the REACH Regulations (requiring Authorisation for use)  
Substance is listed.  
REACH - Pre-registered substances  
Substance is listed.  
Chemical safety assessment:  
A Chemical Safety Assessment has not been carried out.

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## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

Safety Data Sheet according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 (REACH). The above information is believed to be correct but does not purport to be all inclusive and shall be used only as a guide. The information in this document is based on the present state of our knowledge and is applicable to the product with regard to appropriate safety precautions. It does not represent any guarantee of the properties of the product. American Elements shall not be held liable for any damage resulting from handling or from contact with the above product. See reverse side of invoice or packing slip for additional terms and conditions of sale. COPYRIGHT 1997-2022 AMERICAN ELEMENTS. LICENSED GRANTED TO MAKE UNLIMITED PAPER COPIES FOR INTERNAL USE ONLY.