# **AUSTRALIAN CHEMICAL REAGENTS**

# **SAFETY DATA SHEET**

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# 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

Product Name: Potassium Cyanide Standard 2500 mg/L

Product Code: 5417

Other Names:

Uses: Analytical Reagent

Supplier: Australian Chemical Reagents

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# 2. HAZARDS INFORMATION

GHS classification Acute Toxicity – Oral: Category 4

Acute Toxicity - Dermal: Category 4
Acute Toxicity - Inhalation: Category 4

AUH032: Contact with acids liberates very toxic gas

Hazardous to the Aquatic Environment - Acute Hazard: Category 1 Hazardous to the Aquatic Environment - Long-Term Hazard: Category 1

Signal Word(s) Pictogram(s)

WARNING



Hazard Statement(s) H302 Harmful if swallowed

H312 Harmful in contact with skin

H332 Harmful if inhaled H400 Very toxic to aquatic life

H410 Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

**Precautionary Statement(s)** 

**Preventative** 

P261 Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.

P264 Wash skin thoroughly after handling.

P270 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. P271 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.

P273 Avoid release to the environment.

P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing.

#### Response

P301+P312 IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor

physician if you feel unwell.

P330 Rinse mouth.

P302+P352 IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.

P312 Call a POISON CENTRE or doctor physician if you feel unwell.

P363 Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

P304+P340 IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest

in a position comfortable for breathing.

P312 Call a POISON CENTRE or doctor physician if you feel unwell.

### **Storage**

**Disposal** 

P501 Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant.

# 3. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

#### Ingredients:

Chemical Entity	CAS No	Proportion
Potassium cyanide	[151-508]	0.25%
Sodium hydroxide	[1310-73-2]	<1%
Water	[7732-18-5]	to 100%

# 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Safety showers and eye wash facilities should be provided.

#### Swallowed:

If conscious wash out mouth with water. Seek medical advice. Show this SDS to medical practitioner.

#### Eve:

Immediately hold eyelids open and flood with water for at least 15 minutes. Obtain medical aid. Show this SDS to medical practitioner.

## Skin:

Remove contaminated clothing. Immediately wash skin thoroughly with water and mild soap. Seek medical advice if irritation persists. Show this SDS to medical practitioner. Launder clothing before reuse.

#### Inhaled:

Remove from contaminated air. Maintain breathing with artificial respiration if necessary. Seek medical assistance. Show this SDS to a doctor.

## 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

# Suitable Extinguishing Media:

Water spray. Carbon dioxide, dry chemical powder, or appropriate foam.

# **Hazards From Combustion Products:**

Solutions will not burn or support combustion. Decomposition products include hydrogen cyanide.

## **Precautions For Fire Fighters and Special Protective Equipment:**

Fire fighters and others who may be exposed to combustion products during fire should wear full protective clothing including positive pressure self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA). Wear SCBA with full face-piece, operated in positive pressure mode when fighting fires.

Hazchem Code: 2X

#### **ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

#### **Emergency procedures:**

Prevent from entering waterways. Restrict access to area. Remove chemicals that can react with the spilled material. Spills are slippery

# Methods and materials for containment and clean up:

Use inert material such as sand or earth to contain spill or leak. Absorb spills with chemical absorber or vermiculite and dispose of in accordance with local regulations.

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

#### **Precautions for Safe Handling:**

Do not get in eyes, on skin, on clothing. Avoid prolonged or repeated exposure.

## **Conditions for Safe Storage:**

Store sealed in original container in a cool well ventilated situation away from foods and other chemicals. Do not store in direct sunlight. Observe good hygiene and housekeeping practices.

## **EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION**

### **National Exposure Standards:**

SWA - Cyanides (as CN) 5mg/m<sup>3</sup> TWA

Biological Limit Values: No data available.

#### **Engineering Controls:**

Not required with normal use. If mists are likely to be generated maintain atmospheric concentrations well below exposure standards with extraction ventilation.

#### **Personal Protective Equipment (PPE):**

The use of nitrile or neoprene gloves complying with AS 2161 and the use of faceshield, chemical goggles or safety glasses with side shield protection complying with AS/NZS 1337 is recommended.

# 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance: Clear liquid

Odour: Nil pH: 12

Boiling Point (°C): Not applicable Freezing/melting Point: Not applicable Vapour Pressure (mm of Hg @ 25°C): Not applicable **Vapour Density:** Not applicable

Specific Gravity: 1.1

Flash Point (°C): Not flammable Flammability Limits (%): Not flammable Soluble

Solubility in Water (g/L):

## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**Chemical stability:** 

Stable.

Conditions to avoid:

Heat.

Incompatible materials:

Acids

**Hazardous decomposition products:** 

Refer to section 5 (Fire Fighting Measures).

**Hazardous reactions:** 

Hazardous polymerization will not occur.

## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Swallowed**: May be harmful or fatal if swallowed in large amounts. For potassium cyanide oral-human LDLo 2857 ug/kg; oral-rat LD50 6440 ug/kg.

Eye: Irritating to eye tissue.

Skin: May be harmful or fatal if absorbed through skin.

**Inhaled**: May be harmful or fatal if inhaled.

Chronic Effects: Exposure can cause nausea, dizziness and headache, lung irritation and cyanosis

## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

# **Ecotoxicity:**

No data available.

Persistence and degradability:

No data available.

Mobility:

No data available.

#### 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material. Observe all federal, state and local environmental regulations.

# 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

UN Number: 1935

**UN Proper Shipping Name: CYANIDE SOLUTIONS N.O.S.** 

Class and subsidiary risk(s): 6.1

Packing Group: III Hazchem Code: 2X

Special precautions for user: Nil

## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Drugs and Poisons (SUSDP):

Schedule 7

## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

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