

# Safety Data Sheet

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## 1 Identification

- **Product identifier**
- **Trade name:** Potassium hydroxide solution
- **Article number:** 132705
- **CAS Number:** 1310-58-3
- **EINECS Number:** 215-181-3
- **Application of the substance / the mixture** Laboratory chemicals for research and development
- **Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**
- **Manufacturer/Supplier:**  
 BeanTown Chemical  
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 Hudson, NH 03051  
 USA
- **Phone:** (603) 402-2234  
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[www.beantownchem.com](http://www.beantownchem.com)
- **Information department:** Technical Support Department
- **Emergency telephone number:**  
 During normal operating hours, please call (603) 402-2234  
 After hours, please call Chemtrec at (800) 424-9300

## 2 Hazard(s) identification

- **Classification of the substance or mixture**



GHS02 Flame

Flam. Liq. 2 H225 Highly flammable liquid and vapor.



GHS06 Skull and crossbones

Acute Tox. 3 H311 Toxic in contact with skin.

Acute Tox. 3 H331 Toxic if inhaled.



GHS08 Health hazard

STOT SE 1 H370 Causes damage to the central nervous system and the visual organs.



GHS07

Skin Irrit. 2 H315 Causes skin irritation.

Eye Irrit. 2A H319 Causes serious eye irritation.

- **Label elements**

- **GHS label elements** The product is classified and labeled according to the Globally Harmonized System (GHS).

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· **Hazard pictograms**· **Signal word** *Danger*· **Hazard-determining components of labeling:***methanol*· **Hazard statements***Highly flammable liquid and vapor.**Toxic in contact with skin or if inhaled.**Causes skin irritation.**Causes serious eye irritation.**Causes damage to the central nervous system and the visual organs.*· **Precautionary statements***Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking.**Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting/equipment.**If on skin (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.**If in eyes: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do.**Continue rinsing.**Store locked up.**Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.*· **Other hazards**· **Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**· **PBT:** *Not applicable.*· **vPvB:** *Not applicable.*

### 3 Composition/information on ingredients

· **Chemical characterization: Mixtures**· **Description:** *Mixture of the substances listed below with nonhazardous additions.*· **Dangerous components:**

67-56-1	methanol	99.3%
1310-58-3	potassium hydroxide	0.7%

### 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 have been completely removed.**In case of irregular breathing or respiratory arrest provide artificial respiration.*· **After inhalation:***Supply fresh air or oxygen; call for doctor.**In case of unconsciousness place patient stably in side position for transportation.*· **After skin contact:** *Immediately wash with water and soap and rinse thoroughly.*· **After eye contact:***Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. If symptoms persist, consult a doctor.*· **After swallowing:** *If symptoms persist consult doctor.*

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- **Information for doctor:**
- **Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed** No further relevant information available.
- **Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**  
No further relevant information available.

## 5 Fire-fighting measures

- **Extinguishing media**
- **Suitable extinguishing agents:** CO<sub>2</sub>, sand, extinguishing powder. Do not use water.
- **For safety reasons unsuitable extinguishing agents:** Water
- **Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture**  
During heating or in case of fire poisonous gases are produced.
- **Advice for firefighters**
- **Protective equipment:** Mouth respiratory protective device.

## 6 Accidental release measures

- **Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**  
Mount respiratory protective device.  
Wear protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.
- **Environmental precautions:**  
Dilute with plenty of water.  
Do not allow to enter sewers/ surface or ground water.
- **Methods and material for containment and cleaning up:**  
Absorb with liquid-binding material (sand, diatomite, acid binders, universal binders, sawdust).  
Dispose contaminated material as waste according to item 13.  
Ensure adequate ventilation.
- **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.
- **Protective Action Criteria for Chemicals**

· **PAC-1:**

67-56-1	methanol	530 ppm
1310-58-3	potassium hydroxide	0.18 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

· **PAC-2:**

67-56-1	methanol	2,100 ppm
1310-58-3	potassium hydroxide	2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

· **PAC-3:**

67-56-1	methanol	7200* ppm
1310-58-3	potassium hydroxide	54 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

## 7 Handling and storage

- **Handling:**
- **Precautions for safe handling**  
Ensure good ventilation/exhaustion at the workplace.  
Open and handle receptacle with care.  
Prevent formation of aerosols.

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- **Information about protection against explosions and fires:**  
 Keep ignition sources away - Do not smoke.  
 Protect against electrostatic charges.  
 Keep respiratory protective device available.
- **Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**
- **Storage:**
- **Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles:** Store in a cool location.
- **Information about storage in one common storage facility:** Not required.
- **Further information about storage conditions:**  
 Keep receptacle tightly sealed.  
 Store in cool, dry conditions in well sealed receptacles.
- **Specific end use(s)** No further relevant information available.

## 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:**

### 67-56-1 methanol

PEL	Long-term value: 260 mg/m <sup>3</sup> , 200 ppm
REL	Short-term value: 325 mg/m <sup>3</sup> , 250 ppm Long-term value: 260 mg/m <sup>3</sup> , 200 ppm
	Skin
TLV	Short-term value: 328 mg/m <sup>3</sup> , 250 ppm Long-term value: 262 mg/m <sup>3</sup> , 200 ppm
	Skin; BEI

### 1310-58-3 potassium hydroxide

REL	Ceiling limit value: 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
TLV	Ceiling limit value: 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

- **Ingredients with biological limit values:**

### 67-56-1 methanol

BEI	15 mg/L Medium: urine Time: end of shift Parameter: Methanol (background, nonspecific)
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- **Additional information:** The lists that were valid during the creation were used as basis.

- **Exposure controls**
- **Personal protective equipment:**
- **General protective and hygienic measures:**  
 Keep away from foodstuffs, beverages and feed.  
 Immediately remove all soiled and contaminated clothing.  
 Wash hands before breaks and at the end of work.  
 Store protective clothing separately.  
 Avoid contact with the eyes.  
 Avoid contact with the eyes and skin.

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· **Breathing equipment:**

*In case of brief exposure or low pollution use respiratory filter device. In case of intensive or longer exposure use respiratory protective device that is independent of circulating air.*

· **Protection of hands:**

*Protective gloves*

*The glove material has to be impermeable and resistant to the product/ the substance/ the preparation.*

*Due to missing tests no recommendation to the glove material can be given for the product/ the preparation/ the chemical mixture.*

*Selection of the glove material on consideration of the penetration times, rates of diffusion and the degradation*

· **Material of gloves**

*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. As the product is a preparation of several substances, the resistance of the glove material can not be calculated in advance and has therefore to be checked prior to the application.*

· **Penetration time of glove material**

*The exact break through time has to be found out by the manufacturer of the protective gloves and has to be observed.*

· **Eye protection:** *Tightly sealed goggles*

## 9 Physical and chemical properties

· **Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

· **General Information**

· **Appearance:**

**Form:**

*Liquid*

**Color:**

*According to product specification*

· **Odor:**

*Characteristic*

· **Odor threshold:**

*Not determined.*

· **pH-value:**

*Not determined.*

· **Change in condition**

**Melting point/Melting range:**

*-98 °C (-144.4 °F)*

**Boiling point/Boiling range:**

*Undetermined*

· **Flash point:**

*11 °C (51.8 °F)*

· **Flammability (solid, gaseous):**

*Not applicable.*

· **Ignition temperature:**

*455 °C (851 °F)*

· **Decomposition temperature:**

*Not determined.*

· **Auto igniting:**

*Product is not selfigniting.*

· **Danger of explosion:**

*Product is not explosive. However, formation of explosive air/vapor mixtures are possible.*

· **Explosion limits:**

**Lower:**

*5.5 Vol %*

**Upper:**

*44 Vol %*

· **Vapor pressure at 20 °C (68 °F):**

*128 hPa (96 mm Hg)*

· **Density at 20 °C (68 °F):**

*0.81 g/cm<sup>3</sup> (6.75945 lbs/gal)*

· **Relative density**

*Not determined.*

· **Vapor density**

*Not determined.*

· **Evaporation rate**

*Not determined.*

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| <b>· Solubility in / Miscibility with Water:</b>  | Fully miscible.                            |
| <b>· Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water):</b> | Not determined.                            |
| <b>· Viscosity:</b>                               |  |
| <b>Dynamic:</b>                                   | Not determined.                            |
| <b>Kinematic:</b>                                 | Not determined.                            |
| <b>· Solvent content:</b>                         |  |
| <b>Organic solvents:</b>                          | 99.3 %                                     |
| <b>VOC content:</b>                               | 99.30 %                                    |
|   | 804.3 g/l / 6.71 lb/gal                    |
| <b>· Solids content:</b>                          | 0.0 %                                      |
| <b>· Other information</b>                        | No further relevant information available. |

## 10 Stability and reactivity

- **Reactivity** No further relevant information available.
- **Chemical stability**
- **Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:** No decomposition if used according to specifications.
- **Possibility of hazardous reactions** No dangerous reactions known.
- **Conditions to avoid** No further relevant information available.
- **Incompatible materials:** No further relevant information available.
- **Hazardous decomposition products:** No dangerous decomposition products known.

## 11 Toxicological information

- **Information on toxicological effects**
- **Acute toxicity:**

- **LD/LC50 values that are relevant for classification:**

### 67-56-1 methanol

Oral	LD50	5,628 mg/kg (rat)
Dermal	LD50	15,800 mg/kg (rabbit)

- **Primary irritant effect:**
- **on the skin:** No irritant effect.
- **on the eye:** Irritating effect.
- **Sensitization:** No sensitizing effects known.
- **Additional toxicological information:**  
The product shows the following dangers according to internally approved calculation methods for preparations:  
Toxic  
Irritant

- **Carcinogenic categories**

- **IARC (International Agency for Research on Cancer)**

None of the ingredients is listed.

- **NTP (National Toxicology Program)**

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**· OSHA-Ca (Occupational Safety & Health Administration)**

None of the ingredients is listed.

## 12 Ecological information

- **Toxicity**
- **Aquatic toxicity:** No further relevant information available.
- **Persistence and degradability** No further relevant information available.
- **Behavior in environmental systems:**
- **Bioaccumulative potential** No further relevant information available.
- **Mobility in soil** No further relevant information available.
- **Additional ecological information:**
- **General notes:**  
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 course or sewage system.
- **Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**
- **PBT:** Not applicable.
- **vPvB:** Not applicable.
- **Other adverse effects** No further relevant information available.

## 13 Disposal considerations

- **Waste treatment methods**
- **Recommendation:**  
Must not be disposed of together with household garbage. Do not allow product to reach sewage system.
- **Uncleaned packagings:**
- **Recommendation:** Disposal must be made according to official regulations.
- **Recommended cleansing agent:** Water, if necessary with cleansing agents.

## 14 Transport information

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· <b>UN-Number</b></li> <li>· <b>DOT, IMDG, IATA</b></li> </ul>  | <p style="margin: 0;">UN1992</p>   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· <b>UN proper shipping name</b></li> <li>· <b>DOT</b></li> <li>· <b>IMDG, IATA</b></li> </ul>                       | <p style="margin: 0;">Flammable liquids, toxic, n.o.s.<br/>FLAMMABLE LIQUID, TOXIC, N.O.S.</p> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· <b>Transport hazard class(es)</b></li> <li>· <b>DOT</b></li> <li>· <b>Class</b></li> <li>· <b>Label</b></li> </ul> | <p style="margin: 0;">3 Flammable liquids<br/>3, 6.1</p>                                       |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· <b>IMDG</b></li> <li>· <b>Class</b></li> <li>· <b>Label</b></li> </ul>   | <p style="margin: 0;">3 Flammable liquids<br/>3/6.1</p>  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· <b>IATA</b></li> <li>· <b>Class</b></li> <li>· <b>Label</b></li> </ul>   | <p style="margin: 0;">3 Flammable liquids<br/>3 (6.1)</p>                                      |

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· <b>Packing group</b> · <b>DOT, IMDG, IATA</b>	II
· <b>Environmental hazards:</b> · <b>Marine pollutant:</b>	No
· <b>Special precautions for user</b> · <b>EMS Number:</b> · <b>Stowage Category</b> · <b>Stowage Code</b>	Warning: Flammable liquids F-E,S-D B SW2 Clear of living quarters.
· <b>Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code</b>	Not applicable.
· <b>UN "Model Regulation":</b>	UN 1992 FLAMMABLE LIQUID, TOXIC, N.O.S., 3 (6.1), II

## 15 Regulatory information

- **Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture**  
No further relevant information available.
- **Sara**

· **Section 355 (extremely hazardous substances):**

None of the ingredients is listed.

· **Section 313 (Specific toxic chemical listings):**

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· **TSCA (Toxic Substances Control Act):**

All components have the value ACTIVE.

· **Hazardous Air Pollutants**

67-56-1 | methanol

· **Proposition 65**

· **Chemicals known to cause cancer:**

None of the ingredients is listed.

· **Chemicals known to cause reproductive toxicity for females:**

None of the ingredients is listed.

· **Chemicals known to cause reproductive toxicity for males:**

None of the ingredients is listed.

· **Chemicals known to cause developmental toxicity:**

67-56-1 | methanol

· **Carcinogenic categories**

· **EPA (Environmental Protection Agency)**

None of the ingredients is listed.

· **TLV (Threshold Limit Value)**

None of the ingredients is listed.

· **NIOSH-Ca (National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health)**

None of the ingredients is listed.

· **RTECS**

None of the ingredients is listed.

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· **Chemical safety assessment:** A Chemical Safety Assessment has not been carried out.

### 16 Other information

This information is based on our present knowledge. However, this shall not constitute a guarantee for any specific product features and shall not establish a legally valid contractual relationship.

· **NFPA ratings (scale 0-4)**

Health = 2

Fire = 3

Reactivity = 0

· **HMIS ratings (scale 0-4)**

Health = \*2

Fire = 3

Reactivity = 0

· **Department issuing SDS:** Technical Support Department

· **Contact:** Technical Support Department

· **Date of preparation / last revision** 07/09/2024 / -

· **Abbreviations and acronyms:**

ADR: Accord relatif au transport international des marchandises dangereuses par route (European Agreement Concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road)

IMDG: International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods

DOT: US Department of Transportation

IATA: International Air Transport Association

EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances

ELINCS: European List of Notified Chemical Substances

CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society)

VOC: Volatile Organic Compounds (USA, EU)

LC50: Lethal concentration, 50 percent

LD50: Lethal dose, 50 percent

PBT: Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic

vPvB: very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative

NIOSH: National Institute for Occupational Safety

OSHA: Occupational Safety & Health

TLV: Threshold Limit Value

PEL: Permissible Exposure Limit

REL: Recommended Exposure Limit

BEI: Biological Exposure Limit

Flam. Liq. 2: Flammable liquids – Category 2

Acute Tox. 3: Acute toxicity – Category 3

Skin Irrit. 2: Skin corrosion/irritation – Category 2

Eye Irrit. 2A: Serious eye damage/eye irritation – Category 2A

STOT/SE 1: Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure) – Category 1