



## Safety Data Sheet

### 1. Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

#### 1.1. Product identifier

Code: 001183  
Product name: POTASSIUM CARBONATE 98-100%

#### 1.2. Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Intended use: technical application

#### 1.3. Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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#### 1.4. Emergency telephone number

For urgent inquiries refer to: Centro Antiveleni Milano Niguarda - Tel.02/66101029

### 2. Hazards identification

#### 2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

The product is classified as hazardous pursuant to the provisions set forth in Directives 67/548/EEC and 1999/45/EC and/or EC Regulation 1272/2008 (CLP) (and subsequent amendments and supplements). The product thus requires a safety datasheet that complies with the provisions of EC Regulation 1907/2006 and subsequent amendments.

Any additional information concerning the risks for health and/or the environment are given in sections 11 and 12 of this sheet

##### 2.1.1. Regulation 1272/2008 (CLP) and following amendments and adjustments

Hazard classification and indication:

Acute Tox. 4	H302
Eye Irrit. 2	H319
STOT SE 3	H335
Skin Irrit. 2	H315

##### 2.1.2. Directive 67/548/EEC and following amendments and adjustments

Danger Symbols: Xn

R phrases: 22-36/37/38

The full wording of the Risk (R) and hazard (H) phrases is given in section 16 of the sheet

#### 2.2. Label elements

Hazard labelling pursuant to EC Regulation 1272/2008 (CLP) and subsequent amendments and supplements.

Pictograms:



Warning: Warning



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### Hazard indication:

<b>H302</b>	Harmful if swallowed.
<b>H315</b>	Causes skin irritation.
<b>H319</b>	Causes serious eye irritation.
<b>H335</b>	May cause respiratory irritation.

### Caution recommendations:

<b>P280</b>	Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.
<b>P301+P312</b>	IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.
<b>P403+P233</b>	Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.
<b>P501</b>	Dispose of contents/container to according to applicable regulations.

**Contains:** POTASSIUM CARBONATE

Label EC: 209-529-3

### 2.3. Other hazards

Information not available

## 3. Composition/information on ingredients

### 3.1. Substances

#### Contains:

Identification	Conc. %	Classification 67/548/EEC	Classification 1272/2008 (CLP)
<b>POTASSIUM CARBONATE</b>			
CAS 584-08-7	100	Xn R22, Xi R36/37/38	Acute Tox. 4 H302, Skin Irrit. 2 H315, Eye Irrit. 2 H319, STOT SE 3 H335
EC 209-529-3			

Xn= HARMFUL, Xi= IRRITANT

### 3.2. Mixtures

Information not relevant

## 4. First aid measures

### 4.1. Description of first aid measures

**EYES:** Irrigate copiously with clean, fresh water for at least 15 minutes. Seek medical advice.

**SKIN:** Wash immediately with plenty of water. Remove contaminated clothing. If irritation persists, seek medical attention. Wash contaminated clothing before using them again.

**INHALATION:** Remove to open air. If breathing is irregular, seek medical advice.

**INGESTION:** Obtain immediate medical attention. Induce vomiting only if indicated by the doctor. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.

### 4.2. Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

For symptoms and effects caused by the contained substances see chap. 11

### 4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Follow doctor's orders

## 5. Firefighting measures

### 5.1. Extinguishing media

SUITABLE EXTINGUISHING MEDIA

The extinction equipment used should be of the conventional kind: carbon dioxide, foam, powder and nebulised water.

EXTINGUISHING MEDIA WHICH SHALL NOT BE USED FOR SAFETY REASONS

None in particular.

### 5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

HAZARDS CAUSED BY EXPOSURE IN THE EVENT OF FIRE

Do not breathe combustion products (carbon oxide, toxic pyrolysis products, etc).

The product is combustible and, when the powder is released into the air in sufficient concentrations and in the presence of a source of ignition, it can create explosive mixtures with air. Fires may start or get worse by leakage of the solid product from the container, when it reaches high temperatures or through contact with sources of ignition.



### 5.3. Advice for firefighters

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

Use jets of water to cool the containers to prevent product decomposition and the development of substances potentially hazardous for health. Always wear full fire prevention gear. Collect extinguishing water to prevent it from draining into the sewer system. Dispose of contaminated water used for extinction and the remains of the fire according to applicable regulations.

#### SPECIAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT FOR FIRE-FIGHTERS

Hardhat with visor, fireproof clothing (fireproof jacket and trousers with ties around arms, legs and waist), work gloves (fireproof, cut proof and dielectric), a depressurised mask with facemask covering the whole of the operator's face or a self-respirator (self-protector) in the event of large quantities of fume.

## 6. Accidental release measures

### 6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

If there are no contraindications, spray powder with water to prevent the formation of dust. Use breathing equipment if powders are released into the air.

### 6.2. Environmental precautions

The product must not penetrate the sewer system, surface water, ground water and neighbouring areas.

### 6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Use mechanical tools to collect leaked product and eliminate the remainder using jets of water. Make sure the leakage site is well aired. Contaminated material should be disposed of in compliance with the provisions set forth in point 13.

### 6.4. Reference to other sections

Any information on personal protection and disposal is given in sections 8 and 13.

## 7. Handling and storage

### 7.1. Precautions for safe handling

Store in closed, labelled containers

### 7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Normal storage conditions without particular incompatibilities

### 7.3. Specific end use(s)

Information not available

## 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

### 8.1. Control parameters

Information not relevant

### 8.2. Exposure controls

As the use of adequate technical equipment must always take priority over personal protection equipment, make sure that the workplace is well aired through effective local aspiration or bad air vent. If such operations do not make it possible to keep the concentration of the product below the permitted workplace exposure thresholds a suitable respiratory tract protection must be used. See product label for hazard details during use. Ask your chemical substance suppliers for advice when choosing personal protection equipment. Personal protection equipment must comply with the rules in force indicated below.

#### HAND PROTECTION

Protect hands with category II (ref. Directive 89/686/EEC and standard EN 374) work gloves, such as those in PVC, neoprene, nitril or equivalent. The following should be considered when choosing work glove material: degradation, breakage times and permeation. Work glove resistance to preparations should be checked before use, as it can be unpredictable. Gloves' limit depends on the duration of exposure.

#### EYE PROTECTION

Wear protective airtight goggles (ref. standard EN 166).

#### SKIN PROTECTION

Wear category II professional long-sleeved overalls and safety footwear (ref. Directive 89/686/CEE and standard EN 344). Wash body with soap and water after removing overalls.

#### RESPIRATORY PROTECTION

If the threshold value for one or more of the substances present in the preparation for daily exposure in the workplace or to a fraction established by the company's prevention and protection service is exceeded, wear an FFP3 (ref. standard EN 141) type half mask.

The use of breathing protection equipment, such as masks with organic vapour and dust/mist cartridges, is necessary in the absence of technical measures limiting worker exposure. The protection provided by masks is in any case limited.



If the substance in question is odourless or its olfactory threshold is higher than the relative exposure limit and in the event of an emergency, or when exposure levels are unknown or the concentration of oxygen in the workplace is less than 17% volume, wear self-contained, open-circuit compressed air breathing apparatus (ref. standard EN 137) or fresh air hose breathing apparatus for use with full face mask, half mask or mouthpiece (ref. standard EN 138).

An emergency eye washing and shower system must be provided.

In the presence of risks of exposure to splashes or squirts during work, adequate mouth, nose and eye protection should be used to prevent accidental absorption.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

### 9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance	powder
Colour	white
Odour	odourless
Odour threshold	Not available
pH	11-13 (138 g/l)
Melting or freezing point	891 °C
Boiling point	Not available
Distillation range	Not available
Flash point	Not available
Evaporation Rate	Not available
Flammability of solids and gases	Not available
Lower inflammability limit	Not available
Upper inflammability limit	Not available
Lower explosive limit	Not available
Upper explosive limit	Not available
Vapour pressure	Not available
Vapour density	Not available
Specific gravity	2,430 Kg/l
Solubility	in water: 820 g/l 20°C.
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	Not available
Ignition temperature	Not available
Decomposition temperature	Not available
Viscosity	Not available
Reactive Properties	Not available

### 9.2. Other information

Molecular weight	138,21
VOC (Directive 1999/13/EC) :	0%

## 10. Stability and reactivity

### 10.1. Reactivity

There are no particular risks of reaction with other substances in normal conditions of use.

### 10.2. Chemical stability

The product is stable in normal conditions of use and storage.

### 10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

No hazardous reactions are foreseeable in normal conditions of use and storage

### 10.4. Conditions to avoid

None in particular, however the usual precautions used for chemical products should be respected.

### 10.5. Incompatible materials

Information not available

### 10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

In the event of thermal decomposition or fire, vapours potentially dangerous to health may be released.

## 11. Toxicological information

### 11.1. Information on toxicological effects

Acute effects: ingestion of this product is harmful. Even small amounts of product may cause serious health problems (stomach pain, nausea, sickness, diarrhoea). This product may slightly irritate mucosae, the upper respiratory tract, eyes, and skin. Exposure symptoms may include: sting, cough, asthma, laryngitis, respiratory disorders, headache, nausea and sickness.

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POTASSIUM CARBONATE  
LD50 (Oral): 1870,000 mg/kg Rat**12. Ecological information****12.1. Toxicity**

Information not available

**12.2. Persistence and degradability**

Information not available

**12.3. Bioaccumulative potential**

Information not available

**12.4. Mobility in soil**

Information not available

**12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**

Information not available

**12.6. Other adverse effects**

Information not available

**13. Disposal considerations****13.1. Waste treatment methods**

Reuse, when possible. Product residues should be considered special hazardous waste. The hazard level of waste containing this product should be evaluated according to applicable regulations.

Disposal must be performed through an authorised waste management firm, in compliance with national and local regulations.

CONTAMINATED PACKAGING

Contaminated packaging must be recovered or disposed of in compliance with national waste management regulations.

**14. Transport information**

The product is not dangerous under current provisions of the Code of International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road (ADR) and by Rail (RID), of the International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG), and of the International Air Transport Association (IATA) regulations.

**15. Regulatory information****15.1. Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture**

Seveso category None

Substances in Candidate List (Art. 59 REACH)  
None

Substances subject to authorisation (Annex XIV REACH)  
Information not available

Healthcare controls

Workers exposed to this chemical agent must not undergo health checks, provided that available risk-assessment data prove that the risks related to the workers' health and safety are modest and that the 98/24/EC directive is respected.

**15.2. Chemical safety assessment**

No chemical safety assessment has been processed for the mixture and the substances it contains

**16. Other information**

Key for the CLP classifications mentioned in sections 2 and 3 of the sheet:

<b>Acute Tox. 4</b>	Acute toxicity, category 4
<b>Eye Irrit. 2</b>	Eye irritation, category 2
<b>STOT SE 3</b>	Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure, category 3
<b>Skin Irrit. 2</b>	Skin irritation, category 2

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**H319** Causes serious eye irritation.  
**H335** May cause respiratory irritation.  
**H315** Causes skin irritation.

Text of risk (R) phrases mentioned in section 2-3 of the sheet:

**R22** HARMFUL IF SWALLOWED.  
**R36/37/38** IRRITATING TO EYES, RESPIRATORY SYSTEM AND SKIN.

**GENERAL BIBLIOGRAPHY**

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**Note for users:**

The information contained in the present sheet are based on our own knowledge on the date of the last version. Users must verify the suitability and thoroughness of provided information according to each specific use of the product .

This document must not be regarded as a guarantee on any specific product property.

The use of this product is not subject to our direct control; therefore, users must, under their own responsibility, comply with the current health and safety laws and regulations. The producer is relieved from any liability arising from improper uses.

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