

**Safety Data Sheet**

**1. IDENTIFICATION**

**Product Identifier:** Potassium Dichromate, 0.1 Normal

**Product Code(s):** P1037

**Synonyms:** Potassium Bichromate Solution; Bichromate of Potash Solution; Dipotassium Dichromate Solution; Potassium Dichromate (VI) Solution

**Recommended Use:** For manufacturing, industrial, and laboratory use only.

**Uses Advised Against:** Not for food, drug, or household use.

**Supplier:** Rocky Mountain Reagents, Inc.  
4621 Technology Drive, Golden, CO 80403  
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**Emergency Phone Number:** For health emergency, call poison control: (800) 222-1222.

**2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**

**Hazard Classifications:**

Sensitization – Respiratory:	Category 1
Germ Cell Mutagenicity:	Category 1B
Carcinogenicity:	Category 1B
Toxic to Reproduction:	Category 1B

**Signal Word:** DANGER

**Hazard Statements:** May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled.  
May cause genetic defects.  
May cause cancer.  
May damage fertility or the unborn child.

**Pictograms:**



**Precautionary Statements:**

**Prevention:** Avoid breathing fumes, mists, vapors, or spray.  
In case of inadequate ventilation, wear respiratory protection.

Obtain special instructions before use.  
Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.  
Wear protective gloves, protective clothing, eye protection, and face protection.

**Response:** If inhaled: If breathing is difficult, remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. If experiencing respiratory symptoms: Call a poison center or doctor.  
If exposed or concerned: Get medical attention.

**Storage:** Store locked up.

**Disposal:** Dispose of contents and container in accordance with local, regional, national, and international regulations.

**Hazards Not Otherwise Classified:** This product is toxic to aquatic life. Avoid release to the environment.

**Toxicity Statement:** Not applicable.

### 3. COMPOSITION AND INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Component	Common Name / Synonyms	CAS#	Chemical Formula	% by Weight
Potassium Dichromate	Potassium Bichromate	7778-50-9	K <sub>2</sub> Cr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub>	0.490
Water	Water	7732-18-5	H <sub>2</sub> O	99.5

**Trade Secret Statement:** Not applicable.

### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

#### First Aid Procedures:

**Inhalation:** Remove to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Call a physician if symptoms occur.

**Ingestion:** Rinse mouth. Do not induce vomiting unless directed to do so by medical personnel. If vomiting occurs, keep head low so that vomit does not enter lungs. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Call a physician or poison control center if symptoms occur.

**Skin Contact:** Wash skin with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Wash clothing before reuse. Call a physician if symptoms occur.

**Eye Contact:** Check for and remove contact lenses. Immediately flush eyes with gentle but large stream of water for at least 15 minutes, lifting lower and upper eyelids occasionally. Call a physician if symptoms occur.

**General Advice:** Poison information centers in each state can provide additional assistance for scheduled poisons. Ensure that medical personnel and those providing first aid are aware of the material(s) involved and take precautions to protect themselves.

**Symptoms and Effects:** Inhalation may cause irritation and allergic reaction. Ingestion may cause nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, skin discoloration, and behavioral changes. Contact with skin may cause irritation, skin discoloration, and loss of feeling. Contact with eyes may cause irritation and swelling. Prolonged or repeated exposure may cause lung damage, mutagenic effects, adverse reproductive effects, and cancer.

**Immediate Medical Care/  
Special Treatment:** If feeling unwell or concerned, get medical attention. Treat symptomatically. Symptoms may be delayed.

## 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

**Suitable Extinguishing Media:** Water spray, dry powder, alcohol resistant foam, carbon dioxide.

**Unsuitable Extinguishing Media:** Do not use a solid (straight) water stream, as it may scatter and spread fire.

**Hazardous Combustion Products:** Chromium oxides, potassium oxides.

**Specific Hazards:** Excessive thermal conditions may yield corrosive and/or toxic fumes.

**Special Protective Equipment/  
Precautions for Firefighters:** As in any fire, wear MSHA/NIOSH-approved (or equivalent), self-contained, positive-pressure or pressure-demand breathing apparatus and full protective gear. Use water spray to cool unopened containers. Move containers from fire area, if you can do so without risk. In the event of fire and/or explosion, do not breathe fumes.

## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

**Personal Precautions and Protective Equipment:** Isolate hazard area and keep unnecessary and unprotected personnel away from the area of the leak or spill. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment (see Section 8). Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing.

**Emergency Procedures:** In case of chemical emergency, or if unsure how to address an accidental release, consult a professional (see Section 1).

**Methods for Containment:** Stop the flow of material, if this is without risk. Prevent entry into waterways, sewer, basements, or confined areas. Dike the spilled material, where this is possible. Product should not be released to the environment.

**Methods for Cleanup:** Absorb spill with an inert material (e.g. vermiculite, dry sand, earth, cloth, or fleece) and place in a non-combustible container for reclamation or disposal. Do not flush to sewer. Clean contaminated surface thoroughly. Never return spills in original containers for reuse. Clean up in accordance with all applicable regulations.

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

**Handling:** Wear personal protective equipment (see Section 8). Provide sufficient air exchange and/or exhaust in work areas. Avoid contact with skin, eyes, and clothing. Do not ingest. When using, do not eat, drink, or smoke. Keep away from incompatible materials (see Section 10). Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash thoroughly after handling. Containers of this material may be hazardous when empty, as they retain product residues. Observe all warnings and precautions listed for this product.

**Storage:** Store in a cool, dry, ventilated area. Store away from incompatible materials (see Section 10). Store in original container. Keep containers tightly closed and upright. Keep away from food, drink, and animal foodstuffs. Keep out of the reach of children. Comply with all national, state, and local codes pertaining to the storage, handling, dispensing, and disposal of this product.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS AND PERSONAL PROTECTION

**Exposure Limits:** Water: No information found.

Potassium Dichromate: ACGIH (TLV): 0.05 mg/m<sup>3</sup>  
OSHA (PEL): 0.005 mg/m<sup>3</sup>  
NIOSH (REL): 0.001 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

**Engineering Controls:** Ensure adequate ventilation. Ventilation rates should be matched to conditions. If applicable, use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to maintain airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If exposure limits have not been established, maintain airborne levels to an acceptable level.

**Personal Protective Measures:**

**Eye/Face Protection:** Wear safety goggles or safety glasses with side shields. Maintain approved eye wash station and accessible rinse facilities in work area.

**Skin Protection:** Wear appropriate chemical resistant clothing (with long sleeves) and appropriate chemical resistant gloves.

**Respiratory Protection:** An air-purifying, NIOSH-approved respirator with appropriate cartridge or canister may be permissible under certain circumstances where airborne concentrations are expected to exceed exposure limits. Use a positive-pressure, air-supplied respirator if there is any potential for an uncontrolled release, if exposure levels are unknown, or if any other circumstances exist where air-purifying respirators may not provide adequate protection.

**Specific Requirements for Personal Protective Equipment:** Ensure that glove material is compatible with this product. This information is available from glove manufacturers.

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

*Unless otherwise indicated, all properties are given at 25 °C and standard pressure.*

**Appearance:** Transparent, orange liquid.

**Odor:** Odorless.

**Odor Threshold:** No information found.

**Formula Weight:** 294.18 (as K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>)

**pH:** No information found.

**Melting/Freezing Point:** No information found.

**Boiling Point/Range:** No information found.

**Decomposition Temperature:** No information found.

**Flash Point:** Not applicable.

**Auto-ignition Temperature:** Not applicable.

**Flammability:** Not applicable.

**Flammability/Explosive Limits:** Not applicable.

**Solubility:** Miscible with water.

**Vapor Pressure:** No information found.

**Vapor Density:** No information found.

**Specific Gravity:** 1.001

**Evaporation Rate:** No information found.

**Viscosity:** No information found.

**Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water):** No information found.

## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**Reactivity Data:** May be corrosive to certain materials (see Section 11).

**Chemical Stability:** Stable under normal conditions.

**Conditions to Avoid:** Heat, incompatible materials.

**Incompatible Materials:** Organic materials, strong reducing agents, metals, hydrazine.

**Hazardous Decomposition Products:** Chromium oxides, potassium oxides.

**Possibility of Hazardous Reactions:** May react vigorously, violently, or explosively if exposed to extreme thermal conditions or to the incompatible materials listed above.

**Hazardous Polymerization:** Will not occur.

## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Routes of Exposure:** Inhalation, ingestion, skin contact, eye contact.

**Acute Effects:** May be harmful if swallowed, inhaled, absorbed through the skin, or exposed to the eyes. May affect the respiratory system and cardiovascular system.

**Chronic Effects:** Prolonged or repeated exposure may affect the lungs; may cause mutagenic effects, adverse reproductive effects, respiratory sensitization, and cancer.

**Toxicological Data:**

Water:	Not applicable.
Potassium Dichromate:	LD <sub>50</sub> Oral, Rat: 25 mg/kg
	LD <sub>50</sub> Dermal, Rabbit: 14 mg/kg
	LC <sub>50</sub> Inhalation, Rat: 29 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 4 h
	Causes sensitization effects.
	Causes reproductive effects based on animal data.
	Causes mutagenic effects based on animal data.

**Symptoms of Exposure:** Irritation, swelling, anesthetic effects, rhinorrhea, erythema, headache, nausea, hypermotility, vomiting, cyanosis, diarrhea, difficulty breathing.

**Carcinogenic Effects:** May cause cancer based on human and animal data.

<b>OSHA HCS:</b>	Potassium Dichromate:	Carcinogen
<b>IARC:</b>	Potassium Dichromate:	Group 1 – Carcinogenic to humans
<b>ACGIH:</b>	Potassium Dichromate:	A1 – Confirmed human carcinogen
<b>NTP:</b>	Potassium Dichromate:	Known human carcinogen

## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Ecotoxicological Data:** Water: Not applicable.

Potassium Dichromate:  
EC<sub>50</sub>, Water Flea (*Daphnia magna*): 0.035 mg/L 48 h

**Persistence and Degradability:** Bioconcentration Factor: Potassium Dichromate: 17.4

**Environmental Effects:** Expected to be very toxic to aquatic life. Avoid exposure to the environment.

## 13. DISPOSAL INFORMATION

**Disposal Instructions:** All wastes must be handled in accordance with local, state, and federal regulations. Minimize exposure to product waste (see Section 8). Do not dispose unused waste down drains or into sewers.

**Contaminated Packaging:** Because emptied containers retain product residue, follow label warnings even after container is emptied. Offer rinsed packaging material to local recycling facilities.

**Waste Codes:** No information found.

## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

**DOT:** Not regulated.

**Environmental Hazard Regulations:** No information found.

**Other Transport Precautions:** DOT Reportable Quantity: Potassium Dichromate: 10 lb

## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

### U.S. Federal Regulations:

**OSHA:** This product is considered a "Hazardous Chemical" as defined by the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard, 29 CFR 1910.1200.

**TSCA Inventory:** All components of this product are on the U.S. TSCA Inventory.

### U.S. EPCRA (SARA Title III):

**Section 302:** No information found.

**Sections 311/312:**

Hazard Category	List (Yes/No)
Section 311 – Hazardous Chemical	Yes
Immediate Hazard	Yes
Delayed Hazard	Yes
Fire Hazard	No
Pressure Hazard	No
Reactivity Hazard	No

**Section 313:** Potassium Dichromate

CERCLA Reportable Quantities: Potassium Dichromate: 10 lb

International Inventories:

Country or Region	Inventory Name	On Inventory (Yes/No)*
Australia	Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)	N/A
Canada	Domestic Substances List (DSL)	N/A
Canada	Non-Domestic Substances List (NDSL)	N/A
China	Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China (IECSC)	N/A
Europe	European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances (EINECS)	N/A
Europe	European List of Notified Chemical Substances (ELINCS)	N/A
Japan	Inventory of Existing and New Chemical Substances (ENCS)	N/A
Korea	Existing Chemicals List (ECL)	N/A
Philippines	Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances (PICCS)	N/A

\*A "Yes" indicates that the listed component(s) comply with the inventory requirements administered by the governing country(s).

**16. OTHER INFORMATION**

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