

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

Australian statement of hazardous nature: Classified as hazardous according to criteria of Safe Work Australia

### Section 1 - Identification

Product Name <u>Potassium cyanate</u>

**CAS No** 590-28-3

**Synonyms** Cyanic acid, potassium salt; Potassium isocyanate

Product Code P/4520/53

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Recommended Use Laboratory chemicals.

Uses advised against This product does not contain any substance(s) on the Illicit Drug Precursors/Reagents list.

This product does not contain any substance(s) subject to Prohibition, Authorization or Restriction. This product does not contain any substance(s) listed on the voluntary National

Code of Practice for Chemicals of Security Concern.

### Section 2 - Hazard(s) Identification

#### Classification under Safe Work Australia

Classified as hazardous according to criteria of Safe Work Australia

Physical hazards

No hazards identified

**Health hazards** 

Acute Oral Toxicity

Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation

Category 2

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**Environmental hazards** 

Chronic aquatic toxicity Category 3

**Label Elements** 

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Signal Word Warning

#### **Hazard Statements**

H302 - Harmful if swallowed

H319 - Causes serious eye irritation

H412 - Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects

#### **Precautionary Statements**

P264 - Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling

P270 - Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product

P280 - Wear eye protection/ face protection

P273 - Avoid release to the environment

P301 + P312 - IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor if you feel unwell

P305 + P351 + P338 - IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and

easy to do. Continue rinsing

P330 - Rinse mouth

P337 + P313 - If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention

P403 - Store in a well-ventilated place

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

#### Other information

Toxic to terrestrial vertebrates

This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors

## Section 3 - Composition and Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS No	Weight %		
Potassium cyanate	590-28-3	<=100		

# Section 4 - First Aid Measures

**Inhalation** Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Get medical attention if

symptoms occur.

Ingestion Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water. Get medical attention if

symptoms occur.

**Skin Contact** Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. If skin irritation persists,

call a physician.

Eye Contact Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get

medical attention.

General Advice If symptoms persist, call a physician.

Self-Protection of the First Aider Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, take precautions to

protect themselves and prevent spread of contamination.

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First Aid Facilities Eyewash, safety shower and washroom.

Most important symptoms and

effects

None reasonably foreseeable.

Notes to Physician Treat symptomatically.

## Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures

#### **Suitable Extinguishing Media**

Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.

#### Extinguishing media which must not be used for safety reasons

No information available.

#### **Hazardous Decomposition Products**

Nitrogen oxides (NOx), Hydrogen cyanide (hydrocyanic acid).

#### **Decomposition Temperature**

700 °C

#### Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

#### Special protective equipment and precautions for fire fighters

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear.

### Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures

#### **Emergency procedures**

Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protective equipment as required. Avoid dust formation.

#### **Environmental Precautions**

Should not be released into the environment. See Section 12 for additional Ecological Information. Avoid release to the environment. Collect spillage. Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system.

#### Methods for Containment and Clean Up

#### Clean-up methods - small spillage

Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

#### Clean-up methods - large spillage

Typically only supplied is small quantiites as packaged goods.

If extremely toxic or used in larger quantities ensure a spillage action plan is in place. Evacuate area. Control the source and/or contain the spill if safe and able to do so. Use temporary diking, sand bags, dry sand, earth or proprietary booms/absorbent pads if available. Obtain advice on containment, neutralisation and clean-up from local emergency responders.

#### **Reference to Other Sections**

Refer to protective measures listed in Sections 8 and 13.

### Section 7 - Handling and Storage

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

Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Avoid ingestion and inhalation. Avoid dust formation. Ensure adequate ventilation.

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#### Conditions for Safe Storage, Including any Incompatibilities

Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place.

AS/NZS 2243.10:2004, Safety in laboratories - Storage of chemicals

### Section 8 - Exposure Controls and Personal Protection

#### **Exposure limits**

UK - EH40/2005 Work Exposure Limits, Fourth edition. Published 2020.

**DE** - MAK and BAT values of Hazardous Chemical Compounds in the Work Area. Published by German Research Foundation on July 1, 2011

Component	Australia	New Zealand WEL	ACGIH TLV	The United Kingdom	Germany
Potassium cyanate				STEL: 15 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 15 min	TWA: 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (8
				TWA: 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 8 hr	Stunden). MAK
				Skin	Höhepunkt: 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
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#### **Biological limit values**

This product, as supplied, does not contain any hazardous materials with biological limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies

#### **Exposure Controls**

#### **Engineering Measures**

Use only under a chemical fume hood. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

Wherever possible, engineering control measures such as the isolation or enclosure of the process, the introduction of process or equipment changes to minimise release or contact, and the use of properly designed ventilation systems, should be adopted to control hazardous materials at source

#### Personal protective equipment

**Eye Protection** Goggles (Australian/New Zealand Standard AS/NZS 1337 - Eye protectors for Industrial

applications)

Hand Protection Protective gloves

	Glove material Natural rubber Nitrile rubber Neoprene	Breakthrough time See manufacturers recommendations	Glove thickness -	AUS/NZ Standard AS/NZS 2161	Glove comments (minimum requirement)
I D\/C	PVC				

Inspect gloves before use.

Please observe the instructions regarding permeability and breakthrough time which are provided by the supplier of the gloves. (Refer to manufacturer/supplier for information)

Ensure gloves are suitable for the task: Chemical compatability, Dexterity, Operational conditions, User susceptibility, e.g. sensitisation effects, also take into consideration the specific local conditions under which the product is used, such as the danger of cuts, abrasion.

Remove gloves with care avoiding skin contamination.

Skin and body protection Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure

Repiratory Protection Use an AS/NZS 1716 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or

other symptoms are experienced. To protect the wearer, respiratory protective equipment must be the correct fit and be used and maintained in line with AS/NZS 1715 on the use

and maintenance of repiratory protective devices (or AUS/NZ equivalent)

Hygiene Measures Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

**Environmental exposure controls** Prevent product from entering drains.

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## Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties

#### Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance White Physical State Solid

**Odor** Odorless

Odor Threshold No data available

**pH** approx . 10 50 g/l aq.sol

Melting Point/Range315 °C / 599 °FSoftening PointNo data available

Boiling Point/Range No information available

Flash Point No information available Method - No information available

Evaporation Rate Not applicable Solid

Flammability (solid,gas) No information available

Explosion Limits No data available

Vapor Pressure No data available

Vapor Density Not applicable Solid

Specific Gravity / DensityNo data availableBulk DensityNo data availableWater Solubility750 g/L (20°C)

Solubility in other solvents No information available

Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)

Autoignition Temperature No data available

**Decomposition Temperature** 700 °C

Viscosity Not applicable Solid

**Explosive Properties**No information available
Oxidizing Properties
No information available

Other information

Molecular Formula C K N O Molecular Weight 81.12

## Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

**Reactivity** None known, based on information available

**Stability** Stable under normal conditions.

Conditions to Avoid Incompatible products, Excess heat, Avoid dust formation.

Incompatible Materials Strong oxidizing agents.

Hazardous Decomposition Products Nitrogen oxides (NOx). Hydrogen cyanide (hydrocyanic acid).

Hazardous Polymerization Hazardous polymerization does not occur.

# Section 11 - Toxicological Information

Information on Toxicological Effects

**Product Information** 

(a) acute toxicity;

Oral Category 4

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DermalBased on available data, the classification criteria are not metInhalationBased on available data, the classification criteria are not met

 Component
 LD50 Oral
 LD50 Dermal
 LC50 Inhalation

 Potassium cyanate
 LD50 = 567 mg/kg ( Rat )
 LD50 >= 2000 mg/kg ( Rat )
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(b) skin corrosion/irritation; Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Test method OECD 404
Test species rabbit

**Observational endpoint** Erythema/Eschar = 0

Oedema = 0 No skin irritation

(c) serious eye damage/irritation; Category 2

Test method OECD 405 Test species rabbit eye

**Observation end point**Cornea opacity; fully reversible 48h

Redness of the conjunctivae; reversible 72h

Iris lesion; 2-5 days

(d) respiratory or skin sensitization;

**Respiratory**Skin
Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met
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(e) germ cell mutagenicity; Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

(f) carcinogenicity; Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

There are no known carcinogenic chemicals in this product

(g) reproductive toxicity; Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

(h) STOT-single exposure; Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

(i) STOT-repeated exposure; Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Target Organs None known.

(j) aspiration hazard; Not applicable

Solid

Symptoms / effects,both acute and No information available delayed

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# **Section 12 - Ecological Information**

Ecotoxicity effects

Harmful to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic

environment. Do not empty into drains.

Component	Freshwater Fish	Water Flea	Freshwater Algae	Microtox
Potassium cyanate	Onchorhynchus mykiss: LC50: 24.3 mg/L/96h	EC50: = 18 mg/L, 48h (Daphnia magna)		

Persistence and Degradability

**Persistence** Soluble in water, Persistence is unlikely, based on information available.

**Degradability** Not relevant for inorganic substances.

**Degradation in sewage**Contains substances known to be hazardous to the environment or not degradable in waste

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**Products** 

treatment plant water treatment plants.

Bioaccumulative Potential Bioaccumulation is unlikely

Mobility The product is water soluble, and may spread in water systems. Will likely be mobile in the

environment due to its water solubility Highly mobile in soils

Endocrine Disruptor Information This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors

Persistent Organic Pollutant
Ozone Depletion Potential

This product does not contain any known or suspected substance
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### Section 13 - Disposal Considerations

Waste from Residues/Unused Do not allow into drains or watercourses or dispose of where ground or surface waters may

be affected. Wastes, including emptied containers, are controlled wastes and should be disposed of in accordance with all federal, E.P.A., state and local regulations. Assure

conformity with all applicable regulations.

**Contaminated Packaging** Dispose of this container to hazardous or special waste collection point.

Other Information Chemical wastes should be disposed through a licensed commercial waste collection

service. Do not flush to sewer. Waste codes should be assigned by the user based on the application for which the product was used. Do not empty into drains. Do not let this

chemical enter the environment.

# Section 14 - Transport Information

IMDG/IMO Not regulated

ADG Not regulated

IATA Not regulated

Environmental hazards No hazards identified

Special Precautions No special precautions required

Additional information None known

### Section 15 - Regulatory Information

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

National Regulations Australia

See section 8 for national exposure control parameters.

#### Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons

Classified as a scheduled poison according to the Standard for Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons.

Component	Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons
Potassium cyanate - 590-28-3	Schedule 6 listed - present

#### Australian Industrial Chemicals Introduction Scheme (AICIS)

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Component	Australian Industrial Chemicals Introduction Scheme (AICIS)	Additional information
Potassium cyanate - 590-28-3	Present	-

#### Australian - Illicit Drug Precursors/Reagents Substance List

This product does not contain any substance(s) on the Illicit Drug Precursors/Reagents list.

#### **Chemicals of Security Concern**

This product does not contain any substance(s) listed on the voluntary National Code of Practice for Chemicals of Security Concern

National pollutant inventory Not applicable

### Prohibition or notification/licensing requirements

Shown below are details of specific prohibition/notifications or licencing requirements when they apply.

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#### **International Inventories**

Component	AICS	NZIoC	EINECS	ELINCS	TSCA	DSL	NDSL	PICCS	<b>ENCS</b>	ISHL	IECSC	KECL
Potassium cyanate	X	X	209-676-3	1	X	Х	-	Х	Х	Х	Х	KE-29091

Legend: X - Listed. '-' - Not Listed. KECL - NIER number or KE number (http://ncis.nier.go.kr/en/main.do)

#### **International Regulations**

Ozone Depletion Potential This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

Persistent Organic Pollutant This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

Rotterdam Convention (PIC) Not applicable

Basel convention on the control of transboundary movements of hazardous wastes and their dispoal Not applicable.

Component	CAS No	OECD HPV	Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS)	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Major Accident Notification	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Safety Report Requirements
Potassium cyanate	590-28-3	Listed	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH

Not applicable

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### **Section 16 - Other Information**

#### Legend

AICS - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances

**TSCA** - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory

**DSL/NDSL** - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List

IECSC - Chinese Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances

PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances

TWA - Time Weighted Average

IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer

ICAO/IATA - International Civil Aviation Organization/International Air Transport Association

**MARPOL** - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships

NZS 5433:2020 - Transport of Dangerous Goods on Land

LD50 - Lethal Dose 50%

**EC50** - Effective Concentration 50% **WEL** - Workplace Exposure Limit

DNEL - Derived No Effect Level

**POW** - Partition coefficient Octanol:Water **vPvB** - very Persistent, very Bioaccumulative

VOC - (Volatile Organic Compound)

NZIoC - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals

**EINECS/ELINCS** - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances/EU List of Notified Chemical Substances

**ENCS** - Japanese Existing and New Chemical Substances

**KECL** - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances **CAS** - Chemical Abstracts Service

**ACGIH** - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)

**IMO/IMDG** - International Maritime Organization/International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code

**ADG** - Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail

**OECD** - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development

LC50 - Lethal Concentration 50%

ATE - Acute Toxicity Estimate
RPE - Respiratory Protective Equipment

NOEC - No Observed Effect Concentration

**BCF** - Bioconcentration factor

PBT - Persistent, Bioaccumulative, Toxic

#### Key literature references and sources for data

https://echa.europa.eu/information-on-chemicals

Suppliers safety data sheet, Chemadvisor - LOLI, Merck index, RTECS

#### **Training Advice**

Chemical hazard awareness training, incorporating labelling, Safety Data Sheets (SDS), Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and hygiene.

Use of personal protective equipment, covering appropriate selection, compatibility, breakthrough thresholds, care, maintenance, fit and standards.

First aid for chemical exposure, including the use of eye wash and safety showers.

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This Safety Data Sheet (SDS) is prepared in accordance to and complies with the requirements of Safe Work Australia - Work Health and Safety Regulations (WHS Regulations).

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