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# SECTION 1: IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE/MIXTURE AND OF THECOMPANY/UNDERTAKING

Product Identifier

Perihalan Produk: Potassium nitrate
Product Description: Potassium nitrate

**Cat No. :** S37195

Synonyms Saltpeter.; Nitric acid potassium salt; Niter

CAS No 7757-79-1 Molecular Formula K N O3

Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Recommended Use Laboratory chemicals.
Uses advised against No Information available

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# **SECTION 2: HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**

Classification of the substance or mixture

Oxidizing solids	Category 3 (H272)

### Label Elements



Signal Word Warning

**Hazard Statements** 

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H272 - May intensify fire: oxidizer

#### **Precautionary Statements**

#### Prevention

P210 - Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking

P220 - Keep away from clothing and other combustible materials

P221 - Take any precaution to avoid mixing with combustibles

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

P280 - Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection

#### Response

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

P370 + P378 - In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam to extinguish

#### Storage

P403 - Store in a well-ventilated place

### Disposal

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

#### Other Hazards

Toxic to terrestrial vertebrates

This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors

# **SECTION 3: COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

Component	CAS No	Weight %	
Potassium nitrate	7757-79-1	>95	

# **SECTION 4: FIRST AID MEASURES**

Description of first aid measures

**General Advice** If symptoms persist, call a physician.

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

medical attention.

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

call a physician.

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

symptoms occur.

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

symptoms occur.

**Self-Protection of the First Aider** No special precautions required.

Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

None reasonably foreseeable.

Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Notes to Physician Treat symptomatically.

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# **SECTION 5: FIREFIGHTING MEASURES**

### Extinguishing media

### **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.

### Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Oxidizer: Contact with combustible/organic material may cause fire. May ignite combustibles (wood paper, oil, clothing, etc.). Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors. Keep product and empty container away from heat and sources of ignition.

### **Hazardous Combustion Products**

Potassium oxides, Nitrogen oxides (NOx).

### Advice 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**

### Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment and Emergency Procedures

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

### **Environmental precautions**

Should not be released into the environment.

### Methods and Material for Containment and Cleaning Up

Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal. Soak up with inert absorbent material. Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal.

### 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. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid ingestion and inhalation. Avoid dust formation. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Keep away from clothing and other combustible materials.

### Conditions for Safe Storage, Including any Incompatibilities

Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Do not store near combustible materials.

### Specific End Uses

Use in laboratories.

# **SECTION 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION**

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**Control Parameters** 

### **Exposure Controls**

### **Engineering Measures**

Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

Personal protective equipment

Eye Protection Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles)

Hand Protection Protective gloves
Skin and body protection Long sleeved clothing

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.

Respiratory Protection When workers are facing concentrations above the exposure limit they must use

appropriate certified respirators

**Recommended Filter type:** Particulates filter conforming to EN 143

<u>Hygiene Measures</u> Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice

Environmental exposure controls No information available

# **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** 6-8 5% aq. solution

Melting Point/Range334 °C / 633.2 °FSoftening PointNo data available

Boiling Point/Range 400 °C / 752 °F @ 760 mmHg

Flash Point No information available Method - No information available

Evaporation Rate Not applicable Solid

Flammability (solid,gas)

Explosion Limits

Not flammable

No data available

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**Vapor Pressure** No data available **Vapor Density** Not applicable

Solid Specific Gravity / Density 2.1 @ 20 °C Literature reference

**Bulk Density** No data available

Water Solubility Soluble

Solubility in other solvents No information available

Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)

**Autoignition Temperature** No data available > 400°C

**Decomposition Temperature** 

**Viscosity** Not applicable

No information available **Explosive Properties** 

Oxidizer **Oxidizing Properties** 

**Molecular Formula** KNO3 **Molecular Weight** 101.1

# **SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

Reactivity

. Yes. Oxidizer: Contact with combustible/organic material may cause fire.

Solid

**Chemical Stability** 

Oxidizer: Contact with combustible/organic material may cause fire.

Possibility of Hazardous Reactions

**Hazardous Polymerization Hazardous Reactions** 

Hazardous polymerization does not occur.

None under normal processing.

Conditions to Avoid

Avoid dust formation. Excess heat. Combustible material. Incompatible products.

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**Incompatible Materials** 

Strong reducing agents. Strong acids. Combustible material.

**Hazardous Decomposition Products** 

Potassium oxides. Nitrogen oxides (NOx).

# **SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Information on Toxicological Effects

**Product Information** 

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(a) acute toxicity:

OralBased on available data, the classification criteria are not metDermalBased 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 nitrate	LD50 = 3015 mg/kg (Rat)	> 5000 mg/kg (Rat)	>0.527 mg/l 4h (Rat)		

(b) skin corrosion/irritation; Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

(c) serious eye damage/irritation; Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Test method OECD 405 Test species rabbit

Observation end point No eye irritation

(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

Did not show mutagenic effects in animal experiments

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

The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen

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

**Reproductive Effects** Animal testing did not show any effects on fertility.

(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

Test method OECD Test Guideline 422
Study result NOAEL = 1500 mg/kg bw/day

Target Organs None known.

(j) aspiration hazard; Not applicable

Solid

Symptoms / effects,both acute and No information available.

delayed

Endocrine Disrupting Properties Assess endocrine disrupting properties for human health. This product does not contain any

known or suspected endocrine disruptors.

### **SECTION 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

**Ecotoxicity effects** This product contains the following substance(s) which are hazardous for the environment. .

Component	Freshwater Fish	Water Flea	Freshwater Algae	Microtox

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Potassium nitrate	1378 mg/l LC50 (96h)	490 mg/l EC50 (48h)	> 1700 mg/l EC50 (10	
			day)	

Persistence and degradability

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

**Degradability** Not relevant for inorganic substances.

Bioaccumulative potential Bioaccumulation is unlikely

Mobility in soil 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

Other adverse effects No information available

### **SECTION 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Waste treatment methods

Waste from Residues/Unused

**Products** 

Waste is classified as hazardous Dispose of in accordance with the European Directives on

waste and hazardous waste Dispose of in accordance with local regulations

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

Other Information Waste codes should be assigned by the user based on the application for which the product

was used Do not empty into drains

# **SECTION 14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

IMDG/IMO

UN-No UN1486 Hazard Class 5.1 Packing Group III

Proper Shipping Name POTASSIUM NITRATE

Road and Rail Transport

UN-No UN1486 Hazard Class 5.1 Packing Group III

Proper Shipping Name POTASSIUM NITRATE

**IATA** 

UN-No UN1486 Hazard Class 5.1 Packing Group III

Proper Shipping Name POTASSIUM NITRATE

Special Precautions for User No special precautions required

# **SECTION 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION**

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

International Inventories X = listed

Component	EINECS	TSCA	DSL	PICCS	ENCS	ISHL	IECSC	AICS	KECL
Potassium nitrate	231-818-8	Х	X	Х	Х	X	Х	Х	KE-29163

### **National Regulations**

**Persistent Organic Pollutant Ozone Depletion Potential** 

This product does not contain any known or suspected substance This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

# **SECTION 16: OTHER INFORMATION**

### Legend

CAS - Chemical Abstracts Service

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

EINECS/ELINCS - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical DSL/NDSL - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances/EU List of Notified Chemical Substances

Substances List

ICAO/IATA - International Civil Aviation Organization/International Air

MARPOL - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from

PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances IECSC - Chinese Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances **KECL** - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances

ENCS - Japanese Existing and New Chemical Substances AICS - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances NZIoC - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals

WEL - Workplace Exposure Limit

TWA - Time Weighted Average IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer

**ACGIH** - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists RPE - Respiratory Protective Equipment LC50 - Lethal Concentration 50%

LD50 - Lethal Dose 50%

POW - Partition coefficient Octanol:Water

EC50 - Effective Concentration 50%

ADR - European Agreement Concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road

IMO/IMDG - International Maritime Organization/International Maritime

Dangerous Goods Code

**OECD** - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development **BCF** - Bioconcentration factor

ATE - Acute Toxicity Estimate VOC - (Volatile Organic Compound)

**Transport Association** 

Ships

#### Key literature references and sources for data

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

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

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