

**1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE/PREPARATION AND OF THE COMPANY/UNDERTAKING****Product identifier****Product name** Hardness Soap**Other means of identification****Product Code(s)** 4768**UN-No** 1170**Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use****Recommended Use** Use as a laboratory reagent. Industrial (not for food or food contact use). Laboratory chemicals.**Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet****Manufacturer Address**

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**2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**

Acute toxicity - Oral	Category 4
Skin corrosion/irritation	Category 2
Serious eye damage/eye irritation	Category 2
Germ cell mutagenicity	Category 1B
Carcinogenicity	Category 1A
Reproductive toxicity	Category 1A
Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)	Category 2
Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure)	Category 1
Physical hazards Flammable Liquids.	Category 2

**EMERGENCY OVERVIEW****DANGER****Hazard statements**

Harmful if swallowed. Causes skin irritation. Causes serious eye irritation. May cause genetic defects. May cause cancer. May damage fertility or the unborn child. May cause damage to organs. Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure. .

Highly flammable liquid and vapor.



**Appearance** Clear yellow solution

**Physical state** liquid

**Odor** Alcohol

**Precautionary Statements - Prevention**

Obtain special instructions before use. Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Use personal protective equipment as required. Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Wear eye/face protection. Do not breathe dust /fume /gas /mist /vapors /spray. Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. No smoking. Keep container tightly closed. Ground/bond container and receiving equipment. Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting equipment. Use only non-sparking tools. Take precautionary measures against static discharge.

**Response:** IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention. IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention. If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention. IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell. Rinse mouth. In case of fire: Use CO2, dry chemical, or foam for extinction

**Storage:**

Store locked up. Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool.

**Disposal:**

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant.

**Other Hazards**

Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

**3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS\***

Chemical name	CAS No	Weight-%
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Potassium hydroxide	1310-58-3	<2
Methyl alcohol	67-56-1	<5
Ethyl alcohol	64-17-5	86

#### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

##### First Aid Measures

<b>General advice</b>	Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Do not breathe vapors, mist or gas.
<b>Eye contact</b>	Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes, lifting lower and upper eyelids. If irritation persists or develops, contact a physician.
<b>Skin contact</b>	Wash off immediately with soap and plenty of water for at least 15 minutes while removing all contaminated clothing and shoes. If irritation develops or persists, consult physician.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Remove to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. If not breathing, give artificial respiration and contact emergency personnel.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Rinse mouth with water and afterwards drink plenty of water or milk. Immediate medical attention is required. Rinse mouth.
<b><u>Self-protection of the first aider</u></b>	Use personal protective equipment. Do not use mouth-to-mouth method if victim ingested or inhaled the substance; give artificial respiration with the aid of a pocket mask equipped with a one-way valve or other proper respiratory medical device.

#### 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

##### Suitable extinguishing media

Water spray, dry chemical, carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), or foam.

##### Specific hazards arising from the chemical

Vapors may travel to source of ignition and flash back. Flash back possible over considerable distance.

##### Sensitivity to Static Discharge

Yes

##### Protective equipment and precautions for firefighters

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

#### 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

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

<b>Personal precautions</b>	ELIMINATE all ignition sources (no smoking, flares, sparks or flames in immediate area). All equipment used when handling the product must be grounded. Ensure adequate ventilation. Wear protective gloves/clothing and eye/face protection.
<b>Environmental precautions</b>	See Section 12 for additional Ecological Information.
<b><u>Methods and material for containment and cleaning up</u></b>	
<b>Methods for containment</b>	Soak up with inert absorbent material, containerize, and hold for disposal.
<b>Methods for cleaning up</b>	After cleaning, flush away traces with water.

#### 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

**Precautions for safe handling**

**Handling** Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Prevent contact with skin, eyes, and clothing. Do not taste or swallow. Do not eat, drink, or smoke when using this product.

**Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**

**Storage:** Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep away from heat and sources of ignition. Protect from light. Keep out of the reach of children.

**Incompatible Products** Strong inorganic acids and oxidizing agents.

**8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION****Control parameters**

Chemical name	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH IDLH
Potassium hydroxide 1310-58-3	Ceiling: 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	(vacated) Ceiling: 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Ceiling: 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Methyl alcohol 67-56-1	STEL: 250 ppm TWA: 200 ppm S*	TWA: 200 ppm TWA: 260 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (vacated) TWA: 200 ppm (vacated) TWA: 260 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (vacated) STEL: 250 ppm (vacated) STEL: 325 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (vacated) S*	IDLH: 6000 ppm TWA: 200 ppm TWA: 260 mg/m <sup>3</sup> STEL: 250 ppm STEL: 325 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Ethyl alcohol 64-17-5	STEL: 1000 ppm	TWA: 1000 ppm TWA: 1900 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (vacated) TWA: 1000 ppm (vacated) TWA: 1900 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	IDLH: 3300 ppm TWA: 1000 ppm TWA: 1900 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

NIOSH IDLH: Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health

**Appropriate engineering controls**

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

**Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment**

**Eye/Face Protection** Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles).

**Skin and body protection** Wear protective gloves/clothing.

**Respiratory protection** Use only with adequate ventilation.

**Hygiene Measures** Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.

**9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES****Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

**Physical state** liquid  
**Appearance** Clear yellow solution  
**Odor** Alcohol

Property	Values	Remarks • Method
pH		
Melting point / freezing point	No information available	
Boiling point / boiling range	78.5 °C / 173.3 °F	for SDA (3A) Ethyl Alcohol
Flash point	Not Applicable 16 °C / 60.8 °F	Closed cup for SDA (3A) Ethyl Alcohol
Evaporation rate		
Flammability (solid, gas)	No information available	

<b>Flammability Limit in Air</b>		
Upper flammability limit:	19% Ethanol	
Lower flammability limit:	3.3% Ethanol	
Vapor pressure	48 mmHg @ 20°C	for SDA (3A) Ethyl Alcohol
Vapor density	1.6 @ 20°C (Air=1)	for SDA (3A) Ethyl Alcohol
Specific gravity	No information available	
Water solubility	No information available	
Solubility in other solvents	No information available	
Partition coefficient	No information available	
Autoignition temperature	363 °C / 685.4 °F	for SDA (3A) Ethyl Alcohol
Decomposition temperature	No information available	
Kinematic viscosity	No information available	
Dynamic viscosity	No information available	
Explosive properties	No information available	
Oxidizing properties	No information available	

**Other Information**

Softening point	No information available
Molecular weight	No information available
VOC Content (%)	No information available
Density	No information available
Bulk density	No information available

**10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

<b>Stability</b>	Stable under normal conditions of use and storage.
<b>Hazardous polymerization</b>	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
<b>Conditions to avoid</b>	Heat, flames and sparks.
<b>Incompatible materials</b>	Strong inorganic acids and oxidizing agents.
<b>Hazardous decomposition products</b>	Carbon oxides (COx).

**11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION****Information on likely routes of exposure****Component identification**

Chemical name	ATEmix (oral)	ATEmix (dermal)	Inhalation LC50
Potassium hydroxide 1310-58-3	= 284 mg/kg ( Rat )	Not Established	Not Established
Methyl alcohol 67-56-1	= 6200 mg/kg ( Rat )	= 15800 mg/kg ( Rabbit )	= 64000 ppm ( Rat ) 4 h = 22500 ppm ( Rat ) 8 h
Ethyl alcohol 64-17-5	= 7060 mg/kg ( Rat )	Not Established	= 124.7 mg/L ( Rat ) 4 h

**Information on toxicological effects**

**Carcinogenicity** Ethanol has been shown to be carcinogenic in long-term studies only when consumed as an alcoholic beverage.

Chemical name	ACGIH	IARC	NTP	OSHA
Potassium hydroxide 1310-58-3	Not Established	Not Established	Not Established	Not Established
Methyl alcohol 67-56-1	Not Established	Not Established	Not Established	Not Established
Ethyl alcohol 64-17-5	A3	Group 1	Known	X

**Chronic toxicity** Repeated ingestion can cause adverse liver or kidney effects. Repeated or prolonged exposure may cause central nervous system damage. Prolonged skin contact may defat the skin and produce dermatitis.

ATEmix (oral) 1,764.00 mg/kg  
 ATEmix (dermal) 7,500.00 mg/kg  
 ATEmix (inhalation-dust/mist) 12.53 mg/l

## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Ecotoxicity

Chemical name	Toxicity to Algae	Toxicity to Fish	Daphnia Magna (Water Flea)
Potassium hydroxide 1310-58-3	Not Established	80: 96 h Gambusia affinis mg/L LC50 static	Not Established
Methyl alcohol 67-56-1	Not Established	13500 - 17600: 96 h Lepomis macrochirus mg/L LC50 flow-through 18 - 20: 96 h Oncorhynchus mykiss mL/L LC50 static 19500 - 20700: 96 h Oncorhynchus mykiss mg/L LC50 flow-through 28200: 96 h Pimephales promelas mg/L LC50 flow-through 100: 96 h Pimephales promelas mg/L LC50 static	Not Established
Ethyl alcohol 64-17-5	Not Established	12.0 - 16.0: 96 h Oncorhynchus mykiss mL/L LC50 static 13400 - 15100: 96 h Pimephales promelas mg/L LC50 flow-through 100: 96 h Pimephales promelas mg/L LC50 static	9268 - 14221: 48 h Daphnia magna mg/L LC50 10800: 24 h Daphnia magna mg/L EC50 2: 48 h Daphnia magna mg/L EC50 Static

### Persistence and degradability

No information available.

### Bioaccumulation/Accumulation

No information available.

Chemical name	Log Pow
Potassium hydroxide 1310-58-3	0.65 0.83
Methyl alcohol 67-56-1	-0.77
Ethyl alcohol 64-17-5	-0.32

## 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

### Disposal Methods

Dispose of waste product or used containers according to local regulations.

### Contaminated packaging

Do not reuse empty containers.

Chemical name	RCRA	RCRA - Basis for Listing	RCRA - D Series Wastes	RCRA - U Series Wastes
Potassium hydroxide 1310-58-3	Not Established	-	Not Established	Not Established
Methyl alcohol 67-56-1	Not Established	Included in waste stream: F039	Not Established	U154
Ethyl alcohol 64-17-5	Not Established	-	Not Established	Not Established

Chemical name	RCRA - Halogenated Organic Compounds	RCRA - P Series Wastes	RCRA - F Series Wastes	RCRA - K Series Wastes
Potassium hydroxide 1310-58-3	Not Established	Not Established	Not Established	Not Established
Methyl alcohol 67-56-1	Not Established	Not Established	Not Established	Not Established
Ethyl alcohol 64-17-5	Not Established	Not Established	Not Established	Not Established

This product contains one or more substances that are listed with the State of California as a hazardous waste.

Chemical name	California Hazardous Waste Status
Potassium hydroxide 1310-58-3	Toxic Corrosive
Methyl alcohol 67-56-1	Toxic Ignitable
Ethyl alcohol 64-17-5	Toxic Ignitable

#### 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

##### DOT

Proper shipping name      ETHANOL SOLUTION (Ethyl Alcohol Solution)  
 UN-No                              1170  
 Hazard Class                    3  
 Packing group                  II

##### IATA

UN-No                              1170  
 Hazard Class                    3  
 Packing group                  II

##### IMDG/IMO

UN-No                              1170  
 Hazard Class                    3  
 Packing group                  II

#### 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

##### International Inventories

TSCA                              Does not comply  
 DSL/NDL                        Complies  
 EINECS/ELINCS               Complies  
 ENCS                              Complies  
 IECSC                            Complies  
 KECL                              Complies  
 PICCS                            Complies  
 AICS                               Complies

##### Legend:

TSCA - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory  
 DSL/NDL - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List  
 EINECS/ELINCS - European Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances/European List of Notified Chemical Substances  
 ENCS - Japan Existing and New Chemical Substances  
 IECSC - China Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances  
 KECL - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances  
 PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances  
 AICS - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances

##### US Federal Regulations

##### SARA 313

Section 313 of Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA). This product contains a chemical or chemicals which are subject to the reporting requirements of the Act and Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 372

Chemical name	SARA 313 - Threshold Values %
Potassium hydroxide 1310-58-3	Not Established
Methyl alcohol 67-56-1	1.0
Ethyl alcohol 64-17-5	Not Established

**SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories**

Acute health hazard	Yes
Chronic Health Hazard	Yes
Fire hazard	Yes
Sudden release of pressure hazard	No
Reactive Hazard	No

**CWA (Clean Water Act)**

This product contains the following substances which are regulated pollutants pursuant to the Clean Water Act (40 CFR 122.21 and 40 CFR 122.42)

Chemical name	CWA - Reportable Quantities	CWA - Toxic Pollutants	CWA - Priority Pollutants	CWA - Hazardous Substances
Potassium hydroxide 1310-58-3	1000 lb	Not Established	Not Established	X
Methyl alcohol 67-56-1	Not Established	Not Established	Not Established	Not Established
Ethyl alcohol 64-17-5	Not Established	Not Established	Not Established	Not Established

**CERCLA**

This material, as supplied, contains one or more substances regulated as a hazardous substance under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) (40 CFR 302)

Chemical name	Hazardous Substances RQs	CERCLA/SARA RQ	RQ
Potassium hydroxide 1310-58-3	1000 lb	Not Established	RQ 1000 lb final RQ RQ 454 kg final RQ
Methyl alcohol 67-56-1	5000 lb	Not Established	RQ 5000 lb final RQ RQ 2270 kg final RQ
Ethyl alcohol 64-17-5	*-	Not Established	-

**US State Regulations****California Proposition 65**

WARNING: Cancer and Reproductive Harm - [www.P65Warnings.ca.gov](http://www.P65Warnings.ca.gov)

Chemical name	California Proposition 65
Potassium hydroxide 1310-58-3	Not Established
Methyl alcohol 67-56-1	Developmental
Ethyl alcohol 64-17-5	Carcinogen

**U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations**

Chemical name	New Jersey	Massachusetts	Pennsylvania
Potassium hydroxide 1310-58-3	X	X	X
Methyl alcohol 67-56-1	X	X	X
Ethyl alcohol 64-17-5	X	X	X

**CPSC (Consumer Product Safety Commission) - Specially Regulated Substances**

Chemical name	CPSC (Consumer Product Safety Commission) - Specially Regulated
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	Substances
Potassium hydroxide 1310-58-3	Banned, 16 CFR 1500.17 Add POISON to label, 16 CFR 1500.129
Methyl alcohol 67-56-1	Special labeling, 16 CFR 1500.14
<b>16. OTHER INFORMATION</b>	

NFPA

Health hazard 1

Flammability 3

Instability 1

Physical and Chemical  
Hazards N/A

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