

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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### 1. Identification

**Product Name** Potassium chromate  
**Cat No. :** P220-3; P220-100; P220-500  
**Synonyms** Chromic acid, dipotassium salt (Granular/Certified ACS)  
**Recommended Use** Laboratory chemicals.  
**Uses advised against** Not for food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use

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

##### **Company**

Fisher Scientific  
One Reagent Lane  
Fair Lawn, NJ 07410  
Tel: (201) 796-7100

##### **Emergency Telephone Number**

CHEMTREC®, Inside the USA: 800-424-9300  
CHEMTREC®, Outside the USA: 001-703-527-3887

### 2. Hazard(s) identification

#### **Classification**

This chemical is considered hazardous by the 2012 OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

Skin Corrosion/irritation	Category 2
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 2
Skin Sensitization	Category 1
Germ Cell Mutagenicity	Category 1B
Carcinogenicity	Category 1A
Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)	Category 3
Target Organs - Respiratory system.	
Specific target organ toxicity - (repeated exposure)	Category 2
Target Organs - Kidney, Liver, Blood.	

#### **Label Elements**

##### **Signal Word**

Danger

##### **Hazard Statements**

Causes skin irritation  
Causes serious eye irritation  
May cause an allergic skin reaction  
May cause respiratory irritation  
May cause genetic defects  
May cause cancer by inhalation  
May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure

**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  
 Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace  
 Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray  
 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area  
 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection

**Response**

IF exposed or concerned: Get medical attention/advice

**Inhalation**

IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing

**Skin**

IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water  
 Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse  
 If skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice/attention

**Eyes**

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

**Storage**

Store locked up  
 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed

**Disposal**

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

**Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)**

Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects  
 WARNING! This product contains a chemical known in the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm.

### 3. Composition / information on ingredients

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Potassium chromate	7789-00-6	>95

### 4. First-aid measures

**General Advice**

Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Immediate medical attention is required.

**Eye Contact**

Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. In the case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.

**Skin Contact**

Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.

**Inhalation**

Move to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. 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. Immediate medical attention is required.

**Ingestion** Do not induce vomiting. Call a physician or Poison Control Center immediately.

**Most important symptoms/effects** None reasonably foreseeable. May cause allergic skin reaction. Symptoms of allergic reaction may include rash, itching, swelling, trouble breathing, tingling of the hands and feet, dizziness, lightheadedness, chest pain, muscle pain or flushing

**Notes to Physician** Treat symptomatically

## 5. Fire-fighting measures

**Suitable Extinguishing Media** Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.

**Unsuitable Extinguishing Media** No information available

**Flash Point** No information available

**Method -** No information available

**Autoignition Temperature**

**Explosion Limits**

**Upper** No data available

**Lower** No data available

**Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact** No information available

**Sensitivity to Static Discharge** No information available

**Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical**

May ignite combustibles (wood paper, oil, clothing, etc.). Do not allow run-off from fire fighting to enter drains or water courses.

**Hazardous Combustion Products**

Potassium oxides Chromium oxide

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

**NFPA**

**Health**  
2

**Flammability**  
0

**Instability**  
0

**Physical hazards**  
OX

## 6. Accidental release measures

**Personal Precautions** Use personal protective equipment. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid dust formation. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Evacuate personnel to safe areas.

**Environmental Precautions** Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system. Prevent product from entering drains. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained. Should not be released into the environment.

**Methods for Containment and Clean Up** Sweep up or vacuum up spillage and collect in suitable container for disposal. Avoid dust formation.

## 7. Handling and storage

**Handling** Wear personal protective equipment. Avoid dust formation. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Use only under a chemical fume hood. Do not breathe vapors/dust. Do not ingest.

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

## 8. Exposure controls / personal protection

### Exposure Guidelines

Component	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH IDLH	Mexico OEL (TWA)
Potassium chromate	TWA: 0.05 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	(Vacated) Ceiling: 0.1 mg/m <sup>3</sup> Ceiling: 0.1 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	IDLH: 15 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA: 0.0002 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA: 0.05 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA: 0.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

### Legend

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration

NIOSH IDLH: The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health

### Engineering Measures

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

### Personal Protective Equipment

#### Eye/face Protection

Wear appropriate protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles as described by OSHA's eye and face protection regulations in 29 CFR 1910.133 or European Standard EN166.

#### Skin and body protection

Long sleeved clothing.

#### Respiratory Protection

Follow the OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard EN 149. Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced.

#### Hygiene Measures

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

Physical State	Solid
Appearance	Yellow
Odor	Odorless
Odor Threshold	No information available
pH	8.6-9.8 50 g/l aq.sol
Melting Point/Range	975 °C / 1787 °F
Boiling Point/Range	No information available
Flash Point	No information available
Evaporation Rate	Not applicable
Flammability (solid,gas)	No information available
Flammability or explosive limits	
Upper	No data available
Lower	No data available
Vapor Pressure	No information available
Vapor Density	Not applicable
Specific Gravity	No information available
Solubility	Soluble in water
Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water	No data available
Autoignition Temperature	
Decomposition Temperature	No information available
Viscosity	Not applicable
Molecular Formula	Cr K <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub>
Molecular Weight	194.2

## 10. Stability and reactivity

### Reactive Hazard

None known, based on information available

<b>Stability</b>	Stable under normal conditions.
<b>Conditions to Avoid</b>	Incompatible products. Excess heat. Combustible material. Avoid dust formation.
<b>Incompatible Materials</b>	Organic materials, Reducing agents
<b>Hazardous Decomposition Products</b>	Potassium oxides, Chromium oxide
<b>Hazardous Polymerization</b>	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
<b>Hazardous Reactions</b>	None under normal processing.

## 11. Toxicological information

### Acute Toxicity

#### Product Information

#### Component Information

**Toxicologically Synergistic Products** No information available

#### Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure

**Irritation** Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin

**Sensitization** May cause sensitization by skin contact

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

Component	CAS-No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Potassium chromate	7789-00-6	Group 1	Known	A1	X	A1

*IARC: (International Agency for Research on Cancer)*

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*Group 1 - Carcinogenic to Humans*

*Group 2A - Probably Carcinogenic to Humans*

*Group 2B - Possibly Carcinogenic to Humans*

*NTP: (National Toxicity Program)*

*Known - Known Carcinogen*

*Reasonably Anticipated - Reasonably Anticipated to be a Human Carcinogen*

*A1 - Known Human Carcinogen*

*A2 - Suspected Human Carcinogen*

*A3 - Animal Carcinogen*

*ACGIH: (American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists)*

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*Mexico - Occupational Exposure Limits - Carcinogens*

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*A1 - Confirmed Human Carcinogen*

*A2 - Suspected Human Carcinogen*

*A3 - Confirmed Animal Carcinogen*

*A4 - Not Classifiable as a Human Carcinogen*

*A5 - Not Suspected as a Human Carcinogen*

**Mutagenic Effects** May cause heritable genetic damage

**Reproductive Effects** No information available.

**Developmental Effects** No information available.

**Teratogenicity** No information available.

**STOT - single exposure** Respiratory system

**STOT - repeated exposure** Kidney Liver Blood

**Aspiration hazard** No information available

**Symptoms / effects, both acute and** Symptoms of allergic reaction may include rash, itching, swelling, trouble breathing, tingling

**delayed** of the hands and feet, dizziness, lightheadedness, chest pain, muscle pain or flushing

**Endocrine Disruptor Information** No information available

**Other Adverse Effects** The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.

## 12. Ecological information

### Ecotoxicity

Very toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment. The product contains following substances which are hazardous for the environment. May cause long-term adverse effects in the environment. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system.

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Potassium chromate	Not listed	Pimephales promelas: LC50=40 mg/L/96h	Not listed	EC50 = 0.015 mg/L/48h

**Persistence and Degradability** May persist based on information available.

**Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation** No information available.

**Mobility** Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its water solubility.

## 13. Disposal considerations

**Waste Disposal Methods** Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. Chemical waste generators must also consult local, regional, and national hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

## 14. Transport information

### DOT

**UN-No** UN3077  
**Proper Shipping Name** ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S.  
**Proper technical name** Potassium chromate  
**Hazard Class** 9  
**Packing Group** III

### TDG

**UN-No** UN3077  
**Proper Shipping Name** ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S.  
**Hazard Class** 9  
**Packing Group** III

### IATA

**UN-No** UN3077  
**Proper Shipping Name** ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S.  
**Hazard Class** 9  
**Packing Group** III

### IMDG/IMO

**UN-No** UN3077  
**Proper Shipping Name** ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S.  
**Hazard Class** 9  
**Packing Group** III

## 15. Regulatory information

All of the components in the product are on the following Inventory lists: X = listed

### International Inventories

Component	TSCA	DSL	NDSL	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	PICCS	ENCS	AICS	IECSC	KECL
Potassium chromate	X	X	-	232-140-5	-		X	X	X	X	X

Legend:

X - Listed

E - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(e) Consent order under TSCA.

F - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(f) Rule under TSCA.

N - Indicates a polymeric substance containing no free-radical initiator in its inventory name but is considered to cover the designated polymer made with any free-radical initiator regardless of the amount used.

P - Indicates a commenced PMN substance

R - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 6 risk management rule under TSCA.

S - Indicates a substance that is identified in a proposed or final Significant New Use Rule

T - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 4 test rule under TSCA.

XU - Indicates a substance exempt from reporting under the Inventory Update Rule, i.e. Partial Updating of the TSCA Inventory Data Base Production and Site Reports (40 CFR 710(B)).

Y1 - Indicates an exempt polymer that has a number-average molecular weight of 1,000 or greater.

Y2 - Indicates an exempt polymer that is a polyester and is made only from reactants included in a specified list of low concern reactants that comprises one of the eligibility criteria for the exemption rule.

### U.S. Federal Regulations

#### TSCA 12(b)

Component	TSCA 12(b)
Potassium chromate	Section 6

#### SARA 313

Component	CAS-No	Weight %	SARA 313 - Threshold Values %
Potassium chromate	7789-00-6	>95	0.1

#### SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories

Acute Health Hazard	Yes
Chronic Health Hazard	Yes
Fire Hazard	No
Sudden Release of Pressure Hazard	No
Reactive Hazard	No

#### CWA (Clean Water Act)

Component	CWA - Hazardous Substances	CWA - Reportable Quantities	CWA - Toxic Pollutants	CWA - Priority Pollutants
Potassium chromate	X	10 lb	X	-

#### Clean Air Act

Component	HAPS Data	Class 1 Ozone Depletors	Class 2 Ozone Depletors
Potassium chromate	X		-

#### OSHA Occupational Safety and Health Administration

Not applicable

Component	Specifically Regulated Chemicals	Highly Hazardous Chemicals
Potassium chromate	5 µg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA 2.5 µg/m <sup>3</sup> Action Level	-

#### 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)

Component	Hazardous Substances RQs	CERCLA EHS RQs
Potassium chromate	10 lb	-

#### California Proposition 65

This product contains the following proposition 65 chemicals

Component	CAS-No	California Prop. 65	Prop 65 NSRL	Category
Potassium chromate	7789-00-6	Carcinogen Developmental Female Reproductive Male Reproductive	0.001 µg/day	Developmental Carcinogen

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

Component	Massachusetts	New Jersey	Pennsylvania	Illinois	Rhode Island
Potassium chromate	X	X	X	X	X

**U.S. Department of Transportation**

Reportable Quantity (RQ): Y  
 DOT Marine Pollutant N  
 DOT Severe Marine Pollutant N

**U.S. Department of Homeland Security**

This product does not contain any DHS chemicals.

**Other International Regulations**

**Mexico - Grade** No information available

## 16. Other information

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**End of SDS**