

Potassium Thiocyanate Safety Data Sheet (SDS)

SECTION 1 — CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Potassium Thiocyanate

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Signal Word
WARNING

Pictograms

SECTION 2 — HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Hazard class: Acute toxicity, oral, dermal, and inhalation (Category 4). Harmful if swallowed, inhaled or in contact with skin (H302+H312+H332). Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product (P270). Avoid breathing dust or fumes (P261).



SECTION 3 — COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Component Name	CAS Number	Formula	Formula Weight	Concentration
Potassium thiocyanate	333-20-0	KSCN	97.18	

SECTION 4 — FIRST AID MEASURES

Call a POISON CENTER or physician if you feel unwell.

If inhaled: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.

If in eyes: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses if present and easy to do so. Continue rinsing. **If on skin:** Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes (P302+P351). Call a POISON CENTER if you feel unwell (P312). Wash contaminated clothing before reuse (P362).

If swallowed: Rinse mouth. Call a POISON CENTER or physician if you feel unwell (P301+P330+P312).

SECTION 5 — FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Nonflammable solid.

When heated to decomposition, may emit toxic fumes.

In case of fire: Use a tri-class dry chemical fire extinguisher.

NFPA Code
None established

SECTION 6 — ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Sweep up, place in sealed bag or container and dispose. Ventilate area and wash spill site after material pickup is complete. See Sections 8 and 13 for further information.

SECTION 7 — HANDLING AND STORAGE

Flinn Suggested Chemical Storage Pattern: Inorganic #7. Store with arsenates, cyanides and cyanates.

Moisture sensitive material. Store in a Flinn Chem-Saf™ bag. Store in a cool dry place.

SECTION 8 — EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION

Wear protective gloves, protective clothing, and eye protection (P280). Wash hands thoroughly after handling (P264).

SECTION 9 — PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Colorless transparent crystals. Odorless.

Soluble: Water, alcohol and acetone

Specific gravity: 1.88

Melting point: 173 °C

SECTION 10 — STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

If heated or in contact with concentrated acids, may liberate poisonous fumes of hydrogen cyanide. Avoid contact with strong acids, oxidizing agents, and heat.

Shelf life: Fair to poor, deliquescent. See Section 7 for further information.

SECTION 11 — TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute effects: Toxic, irritant, eczema

Chronic effects: N.A.

Target organs: N.A.

ORL-RAT LD₅₀: 854 mg/kg

IHL-RAT LC₅₀: N.A.

SKN-RBT LD₅₀: N.A.

SECTION 12 — ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Data not yet available.

SECTION 13 — DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Please review all federal, state and local regulations that may apply before proceeding.

Flinn Suggested Disposal Method #26a is one option.

SECTION 14 — TRANSPORT INFORMATION

Shipping name: Not regulated. Hazard class: N/A. UN number: N/A.

SECTION 15 — REGULATORY INFORMATION

TSCA-listed, EINECS-listed (206-370-1).

SECTION 16 — OTHER INFORMATION

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N.A. = Not available, not all health aspects of this substance have been fully investigated.

N/A = Not applicable

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