SAFETY DATA SHEET according to the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard

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SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

1.1 Product identifiers

Product name : Potassium Standard for ICP

Product Number : 68371
Brand : Sigma-Aldrich

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

Identified uses : Laboratory chemicals, Synthesis of substances

Restrictions on use : Not Available

1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company : Sigma-Aldrich Inc.
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1.4 Emergency telephone number

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SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

GHS classification in accordance with the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

Hazards for the product as supplied

Oxidizing liquids : Category 3

Corrosive to metals : Category 1

Skin corrosion : Sub-category 1B

Serious eye damage : Category 1

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Other hazards

Corrosive to the respiratory tract.

GHS label elements

Hazard pictograms :



Signal word : Danger

Hazard statements : H272 May intensify fire; oxidizer.
H290 May be corrosive to metals.
H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

Supplemental Hazard Statements : Corrosive to the respiratory tract.

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.
P234 Keep only in original packaging.
P264 Wash skin thoroughly after handling.
P280 Wear protective gloves, protective clothing, eye protection and face protection.

Response:

P301 + P330 + P331 IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.
P303 + P361 + P353 IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ shower.
P304 + P340 + P310 IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER/ doctor.
P305 + P351 + P338 + P310 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER/ doctor.
P363 Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.
P370 + P378 In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam to extinguish.
P390 Absorb spillage to prevent material damage.

Storage:

P405 Store locked up.
P406 Store in a corrosion resistant container with a resistant inner liner.

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Disposal:

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

SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Substance / Mixture : Mixture

CAS-No. : Not Assigned

Components

Chemical name	CAS No./Unique ID	Concentration (% w/w)	Trade secret
nitric acid	7697-37-2*	>= 3 - <= 7	TSC

* Indicates that the identifier is a CAS No.
TSC- the actual concentration or concentration range is withheld as a trade secret

SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

General advice : First aiders need to protect themselves.
Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

If inhaled : After inhalation: fresh air. Call in physician.

In case of skin contact : In case of skin contact: Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ shower.
Call a physician immediately.

In case of eye contact : After eye contact: rinse out with plenty of water.
Immediately call in ophthalmologist.
Remove contact lenses.

If swallowed : After swallowing: make victim drink water (two glasses at most), avoid vomiting (risk of perforation).
Call a physician immediately.
Do not attempt to neutralise.

Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed : The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2 GHS label elements) and/or in section 11

Protection of first-aiders : For personal protection see section 8.

Notes to physician : No data available

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SECTION 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

Suitable extinguishing media	:	Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.
Unsuitable extinguishing media	:	For this substance/mixture no limitations of extinguishing agents are given.
Specific hazards during fire fighting	:	Not combustible. Has a fire-promoting effect due to release of oxygen. Ambient fire may liberate hazardous vapours.
Hazardous combustion products	:	Nitrogen oxides (NOx) Potassium oxides
Specific extinguishing methods	:	No data available
Further information	:	Suppress (knock down) gases/vapours/mists with a water spray jet. Prevent fire extinguishing water from contaminating surface water or the ground water system.
Special protective equipment for fire-fighters	:	Stay in danger area only with self-contained breathing apparatus. Prevent skin contact by keeping a safe distance or by wearing suitable protective clothing.

SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures	:	Advice for non-emergency personnel: Do not breathe vapours, aerosols. Avoid substance contact. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate the danger area, observe emergency procedures, consult an expert. Advice for emergency responders: Wear appropriate personal protective equipment, as

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indicated in Section 8.

Environmental precautions	:	Do not let product enter drains.
Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up	:	Cover drains. Collect, bind, and pump off spills. Observe possible material restrictions (see sections 7 and 10). Take up with liquid-absorbent material (e.g. Chemizorb®). Dispose of properly. Clean up affected area.

SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

For precautions see section 2 GHS label elements

Advice on protection against fire and explosion	:	Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition.
Conditions for safe storage	:	No metal containers.
Further information on storage conditions	:	Tightly closed. Do not store near combustible materials.
Storage class	:	5.1B, Oxidizing hazardous materials
Recommended storage temperature	:	Recommended storage temperature see product label.

SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Ingredients with workplace control parameters

Components	CAS-No.	Value type (Form of exposure)	Control parameters / Permissible concentration	Basis
nitric acid	7697-37-2	TWA	2 ppm	ACGIH
		STEL	4 ppm	ACGIH
		TWA	2 ppm 5 mg/m3	NIOSH REL
		ST	4 ppm 10 mg/m3	NIOSH REL
		TWA	2 ppm 5 mg/m3	OSHA Z-1
		TWA	2 ppm 5 mg/m3	OSHA P0

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		STEL	4 ppm 10 mg/m3	OSHA P0

Engineering measures : No data available

Personal protective equipment

Respiratory protection : required when vapours/aerosols are generated.

Our recommendations on filtering respiratory protection are based on the following standards: DIN EN 143, DIN 14387 and other accompanying standards relating to the used respiratory protection system.

Recommended Filter type: : Filter type ABEK

The entrepeneur has to ensure that maintenance, cleaning and testing of respiratory protective devices are carried out according to the instructions of the producer. These measures have to be properly documented.

Hand protection

Remarks : required

Eye protection : Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).
Tightly fitting safety goggles

Skin and body protection : protective clothing

Hygiene measures : Immediately change contaminated clothing. Apply preventive skin protection. Wash hands and face after working with substance.

SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance : liquid

Colour : No data available

Odour : No data available

Odour Threshold : No data available

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pH	:	No data available
Melting point	:	No data available
Boiling point/boiling range	:	No data available
Flash point	:	No data available
Evaporation rate	:	No data available
Flammability (solid, gas)	:	No data available
Flammability (liquids)	:	No data available
Burning rate	:	No data available
Upper explosion limit / Upper flammability limit	:	No data available
Lower explosion limit / Lower flammability limit	:	No data available
Vapour pressure	:	No data available
Relative vapour density	:	No data available
Relative density	:	No data available
Density	:	No data available
Water solubility	:	No data available
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	:	No data available
Autoignition temperature	:	No data available
Decomposition temperature	:	No data available
Viscosity, dynamic	:	No data available
Viscosity, kinematic	:	No data available
Flow time	:	No data available
Explosive properties	:	No data available
Oxidizing properties	:	No data available
Particle characteristics Particle size	:	No data available

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SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity	:	No data available
Chemical stability	:	The product is chemically stable under standard ambient conditions (room temperature) .
Possibility of hazardous reactions	:	Violent reactions possible with: The generally known reaction partners of water.
Conditions to avoid	:	no information available
Incompatible materials	:	Metals
Hazardous decomposition products	:	For Hazardous combustion products in the event of fire: see section 5

SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Mixture

Acute toxicity
Oral: No data available
Acute toxicity estimate Oral - > 5,000 mg/kg
(Calculation method)
Symptoms: If ingested, severe burns of the mouth and throat, as well as a danger of perforation of the oesophagus and the stomach.
Acute toxicity estimate Inhalation - 4 h - 53 mg/l - vapour(Calculation method)

Symptoms: Possible symptoms:, mucosal irritations, Cough, Shortness of breath, Possible damages:, damage of respiratory tract
Dermal: No data available

Skin corrosion/irritation
No data available

Serious eye damage/eye irritation
Remarks: Mixture causes serious eye damage.
Risk of blindness!

Respiratory or skin sensitization
No data available

Germ cell mutagenicity
No data available

Carcinogenicity

IARC: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.

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NTP: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP.

OSHA: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is on OSHA's list of regulated carcinogens.

Reproductive toxicity
No data available

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure
No data available

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure
No data available

Aspiration hazard
No data available

11.2 Additional Information

Material is extremely destructive to tissue of the mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract, eyes, and skin.
Liver - Irregularities - Based on Human Evidence

Components

nitric acid

Acute toxicity
Oral: No data available
Acute toxicity estimate Inhalation - 4 h - 2.65 mg/l - vapour
(Expert judgement)
Dermal: No data available

Skin corrosion/irritation
Skin - Rabbit
Result: Causes severe burns.
Remarks: (IUCLID)
Remarks: Causes poorly healing wounds.

Serious eye damage/eye irritation
Eyes - Rabbit
Result: Causes burns.
Remarks: (IUCLID)
Remarks: Causes serious eye damage.

Respiratory or skin sensitization
No data available

Germ cell mutagenicity
Test Type: Ames test
Test system: Salmonella typhimurium
Result: negative

Carcinogenicity
No data available

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Reproductive toxicity
No data available

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure
No data available

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure
No data available

Aspiration hazard
No data available

SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity

Components:

nitric acid:

Toxicity to fish	:	Remarks: No data available

Persistence and degradability

Components:

nitric acid:

Biodegradability	:	Remarks: The methods for determining the biological degradability are not applicable to inorganic substances.

Bioaccumulative potential

Components:

nitric acid:

Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	:	log Pow: -2.3 Method: OECD Test Guideline 107 Remarks: Bioaccumulation is not expected.

Mobility in soil
No data available

Other adverse effects

Product:

Ozone-Depletion Potential	:	Regulation: 40 CFR Protection of Environment; Part 82 Protection of Stratospheric Ozone - CAA Section 602 Class I Substances Remarks: This product neither contains, nor was manufactured with a Class I or Class II ODS as defined by the U.S. Clean Air Act Section 602 (40 CFR 82, Subpt. A, App.A + B).

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Components:

nitric acid:

Results of PBT and vPvB assessment	:	Substance does not meet the criteria for PBT or vPvB according to Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006, Annex XIII.
Additional ecological information	:	May be harmful to aquatic organisms due to the shift of the pH.

Endocrine disrupting properties

No data available

SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Disposal methods

Waste from residues	:	Waste material must be disposed of in accordance with the national and local regulations. Leave chemicals in original containers. No mixing with other waste. Handle uncleaned containers like the product itself.

SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

International Regulations

IATA-DGR

UN/ID No.	:	UN 2031
Proper shipping name	:	Nitric acid (5%)
Class	:	8
Packing group	:	II
Labels	:	Class 8 - Corrosive substances
Packing instruction (cargo aircraft)	:	855
Packing instruction (passenger aircraft)	:	851

IMDG-Code

UN number	:	UN 2031
Proper shipping name	:	NITRIC ACID
Class	:	8
Packing group	:	II
Labels	:	8
EmS Code	:	F-A, S-B
Marine pollutant	:	no

Transport in bulk according to IMO instruments

Not applicable for product as supplied.

National Regulations

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49 CFR

UN/ID/NA number	:	UN 2031
Proper shipping name	:	Nitric acid (5%)
Class	:	8
Packing group	:	II
Labels	:	Class 8 - Corrosive substances
ERG Code	:	157
Marine pollutant	:	no
Poison Inhalation Hazard	:	No

Special precautions for user

The transport classification(s) provided herein are for informational purposes only, and solely based upon the properties of the unpackaged material as it is described within this Safety Data Sheet. Transportation classifications may vary by mode of transportation, package sizes, and variations in regional or country regulations.

SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

CERCLA Reportable Quantity

Components	CAS-No.	Component RQ (lbs)	Calculated product RQ (lbs)
nitric acid	7697-37-2	1000	20000

SARA 304 Extremely Hazardous Substances Reportable Quantity

Components	CAS-No.	Component RQ (lbs)	Calculated product RQ (lbs)
nitric acid	7697-37-2	1000	20000

SARA 302 Extremely Hazardous Substances Threshold Planning Quantity

Components	CAS-No.	Component TPQ (lbs)
nitric acid	7697-37-2	1000

SARA 311/312 Hazards : Chronic Health Hazard

SARA 313 : The following components are subject to reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313:

potassium nitrate	7757-79-1	>= 5 - < 10 %
nitric acid	7697-37-2	>= 5 - < 10 %

Clean Air Act

This product neither contains, nor was manufactured with a Class I or Class II ODS as defined by the U.S. Clean Air Act Section 602 (40 CFR 82, Subpt. A, App.A + B).
This product does not contain any hazardous air pollutants (HAP), as defined by the U.S. Clean Air Act Section 112 (40 CFR 61).

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This product does not contain any chemicals listed under the U.S. Clean Air Act Section 112(r) for Accidental Release Prevention (40 CFR 68.130, Subpart F).
This product does not contain any chemicals listed under the U.S. Clean Air Act Section 111 SOCMI Intermediate or Final VOC's (40 CFR 60.489).

Clean Water Act

The following Hazardous Substances are listed under the U.S. CleanWater Act, Section 311, Table 116.4A:

nitric acid	7697-37-2	>= 5 - < 10 %

The following Hazardous Chemicals are listed under the U.S. CleanWater Act, Section 311, Table 117.3:

nitric acid	7697-37-2	>= 5 - < 10 %

This product does not contain any toxic pollutants listed under the U.S. Clean Water Act Section 307
This product does not contain any priority pollutants related to the U.S. Clean Water Act

US State Regulations

Massachusetts Right To Know

potassium nitrate	7757-79-1
nitric acid	7697-37-2

Pennsylvania Right To Know

potassium nitrate	7757-79-1
nitric acid	7697-37-2

Maine Chemicals of High Concern

Product does not contain any listed chemicals

Vermont Chemicals of High Concern

Product does not contain any listed chemicals

Washington Chemicals of High Concern

Product does not contain any listed chemicals

The components of this product are reported in the following inventories:

US TSCA : All substances listed as active on the TSCA inventory

TSCA list

No substances are subject to a Significant New Use Rule.

No substances are subject to TSCA 12(b) export notification requirements.

SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION

Full text of other abbreviations

ACGIH	:	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
NIOSH REL	:	USA. NIOSH Recommended Exposure Limits
OSHA P0	:	USA. Table Z-1-A Limits for Air Contaminants (1989 vacated values)
OSHA Z-1	:	USA. Occupational Exposure Limits (OSHA) - Table Z-

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		1 Limits for Air Contaminants
ACGIH / TWA	:	8-hour, time-weighted average
ACGIH / STEL	:	Short-term exposure limit
NIOSH REL / TWA	:	Time-weighted average concentration for up to a 10-hour workday during a 40-hour workweek
NIOSH REL / ST	:	STEL - 15-minute TWA exposure that should not be exceeded at any time during a workday
OSHA P0 / TWA	:	8-hour time weighted average
OSHA P0 / STEL	:	Short-term exposure limit
OSHA Z-1 / TWA	:	8-hour time weighted average

AIIC - Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals; ASTM - American Society for the Testing of Materials; bw - Body weight; CERCLA - Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act; CMR - Carcinogen, Mutagen or Reproductive Toxicant; DIN - Standard of the German Institute for Standardisation; DOT - Department of Transportation; DSL - Domestic Substances List (Canada); ECx - Concentration associated with x% response; EHS - Extremely Hazardous Substance; ELx - Loading rate associated with x% response; EmS - Emergency Schedule; ENCS - Existing and New Chemical Substances (Japan); ErCx - Concentration associated with x% growth rate response; ERG - Emergency Response Guide; GHS - Globally Harmonised System; GLP - Good Laboratory Practice; HMIS - Hazardous Materials Identification System; IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer; IATA - International Air Transport Association; IBC - International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk; IC50 - Half maximal inhibitory concentration; ICAO - International Civil Aviation Organization; IECSC - Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China; IMDG - International Maritime Dangerous Goods; IMO - International Maritime Organisation; ISHL - Industrial Safety and Health Law (Japan); ISO - International Organisation for Standardisation; KECI - Korea Existing Chemicals Inventory; LC50 - Lethal Concentration to 50 % of a test population; LD50 - Lethal Dose to 50% of a test population (Median Lethal Dose); MARPOL - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships; MSHA - Mine Safety and Health Administration; n.o.s. - Not Otherwise Specified; NFPA - National Fire Protection Association; NO(A)EC - No Observed (Adverse) Effect Concentration; NO(A)EL - No Observed (Adverse) Effect Level; NOELR - No Observable Effect Loading Rate; NTP - National Toxicology Program; NZIoC - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals; OECD - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development; OPPTS - Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention; PBT - Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic substance; PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances; (Q)SAR - (Quantitative) Structure Activity Relationship; RCRA - Resource Conservation and Recovery Act; REACH - Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals; RQ - Reportable Quantity; SADT - Self-Accelerating Decomposition Temperature; SARA - Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act; SDS - Safety Data Sheet; TCSI - Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory; TECI - Thailand Existing Chemicals Inventory; TSCA - Toxic Substances Control Act (United States); UN - United Nations; UNRTDG - United Nations Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods; vPvB - Very Persistent and Very Bioaccumulative

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