Section 1 Chemical Product and Company Identification

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For laboratory use only.
Not for drug, food or household use.

Product	**ALUMINUM POTASSIUM SULFATE**
Synonyms	Potassium Alum / Alum

Section 2 Hazards Identification

This substance or mixture has not been classified as hazardous according to the Globally Harmonized System (GHS) of Classification and Labeling of Chemicals.

Signal word: WARNING
Pictograms: GHS07
Target organs: Liver, Kidneys

GHS Classification:
Acute toxicity, oral (Category 4)
Skin irritation (Category 2)
Eye irritation (Category 2B)

GHS Label information: **Hazard statement:**
H302: Harmful if swallowed.
H315+H320: Causes skin and eye irritation.

Precautionary statement:
P264: Wash hands thoroughly after handling.
P270: Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
P280: Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.
P301+P330+P312: IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.
P302+P352: IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of water and soap.
P305+P351+P338: IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
P332+P313: If skin irritation occurs: Get medical attention.
P337+P313: If eye irritation persists: Get medical attention.
P362+P364: Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.
P501: Dispose of contents/container to a licensed chemical disposal agency in accordance with local/regional/national regulations.

Ca Prop 65 - This product does not contain any chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or any other reproductive harm.

Section 3 Composition / Information on Ingredients

Chemical Name	CAS #	%	EINECS
Aluminum potassium sulfate	7784-24-9	100%	233-141-3

Section 4 First Aid Measures

INGESTION: HARMFUL IF SWALLOWED. Call physician or Poison Control Center immediately. Induce vomiting only if advised by appropriate medical personnel. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.

INHALATION: MAY BE HARMFUL IF INHALED. CAUSES RESPIRATORY TRACT IRRITATION. Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical attention.

EYE CONTACT: CAUSES EYE IRRITATION. Check for and remove contact lenses. Flush thoroughly with water for at least 15 minutes, lifting upper and lower eyelids occasionally. Get immediate medical attention.

SKIN ABSORPTION: CAUSES SKIN IRRITATION. Remove contaminated clothing. Flush thoroughly with mild soap and water. If irritation occurs, get medical attention.

Section 5 Fire Fighting Measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media: Carbon dioxide, dry chemical, dry sand, alcohol foam.

Protective Actions for Fire-fighters: In fire conditions, wear a NIOSH/MSHA-approved self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective gear. Use water spray to keep fire-exposed containers cool.

Specific Hazards: Fire or excessive heat above 760°C (1400°F), may produce hazardous decomposition products of toxic and corrosive gases, Sulfur trioxide and Aluminum oxide. Sulfur trioxide is an oxidizing agent which supports combustion and will react with water to form Sulfuric acid.

Section 6 Accidental Release Measures

Personal Precautions: Evacuate personnel to safe area. Use proper personal protective equipment as indicated in Section 8. Provide adequate ventilation.

Environmental Precautions: Avoid runoff into storm sewers and ditches which lead to waterways.

Containment and Cleanup: Sweep or vacuum up and place in a suitable container for proper disposal. Wash spill area with soap and water.

Section 7 Handling & Storage

Precautions for Safe Handling: Read label on container before using. Do not wear contact lenses when working with chemicals. Keep out of reach of children. Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Do not inhale dusts. Use with adequate ventilation. Avoid ingestion. Wash thoroughly after handling. Remove and wash clothing before reuse.

Conditions for Safe Storage: Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area away from incompatible substances.

Section 8 Exposure Controls / Personal Protection

Exposure Limits:

Chemical Name	ACGIH (TLV)	OSHA (PEL)	NIOSH (REL)
Aluminum, metal and insoluble compounds	TWA: 1 mg/m^3 Respirable fraction	TWA: 5 mg/m^3 Respirable fraction	TWA: 5 mg/m^3 Respirable fraction

Engineering controls: Facilities storing or utilizing this material should be equipped with an eyewash facility and a safety shower and fire extinguishing material. Personnel should wear safety glasses, goggles, or faceshield, lab coat or apron, appropriate protective gloves. Use adequate ventilation to keep airborne concentrations low.

Respiratory protection: None should be needed in normal laboratory handling at room temperatures. If dusty conditions prevail, work in fume hood or wear a NIOSH/MSHA-approved respirator.

Section 9 Physical & Chemical Properties

Appearance: Solid. White crystals or powder.
Odor: No odor.
Odor threshold: Data not available.
pH: 3.5 (1% solution)
Melting / Freezing point: Loses H_2O at 93°C (199°F)
Boiling point: Data not available
Flash point: Data not available

Evaporation rate (= 1): Data not available
Flammability (solid/gas): Data not available.
Explosion limits: Lower / Upper: Data not available
Vapor pressure (mm Hg): Data not available
Vapor density (Air = 1): Data not available
Relative density (Specific gravity): 1.97
Solubility(ies): Moderately soluble in water.

Partition coefficient: Data not available
Auto-ignition temperature: Data not available
Decomposition temperature: Data not available
Viscosity: Data not available.
Molecular formula: $AlK(SO_4)_2 \cdot 12H_2O$
Molecular weight: 474.39

Section 10 Stability & Reactivity

Chemical stability: Stable
Hazardous polymerization: Will not occur.
Conditions to avoid: Excessive temperature and heat.

Incompatible materials: Aluminum, copper, steel, zinc, strong oxidizing agents.

Hazardous decomposition products: Oxides of sulfur, aluminum oxide, oxides of potassium.

Section 11 Toxicological Information

Acute toxicity: Data not available
Skin corrosion/irritation: Data not available
Serious eye damage/irritation: Data not available
Respiratory or skin sensitization: Data not available
Germ cell mutagenicity: Data not available
Carcinogenity: Data not available
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.
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.
OSHA: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by OSHA.
Reproductive toxicity: Data not available
STOT-single exposure: Data not available
STOT-repeated exposure: Data not available
Aspiration hazard: Data not available
Potential health effects:
Inhalation: Causes respiratory tract irritation. May be harmful if inhaled.
Ingestion: Harmful if swallowed. Ingestion of large amounts may cause gastrointestinal irritation.
Skin: Causes skin irritation. May be harmful if absorbed through the skin.
Eyes: Causes eye irritation. May cause chemical conjunctivitis.
Signs and symptoms of exposure: To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.
Additional information: RTECS #: WS5690000

Section 12 Ecological Information

Toxicity to fish: No data available
Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates: No data available
Toxicity to algae: No data available
Persistence and degradability: No data available
Bioaccumulative potential: No data available
Mobility in soil: No data available
PBT and vPvB assessment: No data available
Other adverse effects: An environmental hazard cannot be excluded in the event of unprofessional handling or disposal.

Section 13 Disposal Considerations

These disposal guidelines are intended for the disposal of catalog-size quantities only. Federal regulations may apply to empty container. State and/or local regulations may be different. Dispose of in accordance with all local, state and federal regulations or contract with a licensed chemical disposal agency.

Section 14 Transport Information (US DOT / CANADA TDG)

UN/NA number: Not applicable
Shipping name: Not Regulated
Hazard class: Not applicable
Packing group: Not applicable
Reportable Quantity: No
Marine pollutant: No
Exceptions: Not applicable
2012 ERG Guide # Not applicable

Section 15 Regulatory Information

A chemical is considered to be listed if the CAS number for the anhydrous form is on the Inventory list.

Component	TSCA	CERLCA (RQ)	RCRA code	DSL	NDSL
Aluminum potassium sulfate (CAS # 10043-67-1)	Listed	Not listed	Not listed	Listed	Not listed

Section 16 Other Information

The information contained herein is furnished without warranty of any kind. Employers should use this information only as a supplement to other information gathered by them and must make independent determinations of suitability and completeness of information from all sources to assure proper use of these materials and the safety and health of employees. NTP: National Toxicology Program, IARC: International Agency for Research on Cancer, OSHA: Occupational Safety and Health Administration, STOT: Specific Target Organ Toxicity, SE: Single Exposure, RE: Repeated Exposure, ERG: Emergency Response Guidebook.

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