

# Safety data sheet

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## Potassium thiocyanate ≥98,5 %, p.a., ACS

article number: P753

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## SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

### 1.1 Product identifier

Identification of the substance

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333-20-0

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

Relevant identified uses:

Laboratory chemical  
Laboratory and analytical use

Uses advised against:

Do not use for private purposes (household).  
Food, drink and animal feedingstuffs.

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

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### 1.4 Emergency telephone number

Name	Street	Postal code/city	Telephone	Website
NSW Poisons Information Centre Childrens Hospital	Hawkesbury Road	2145 Westmead, NSW	131126	

## SECTION 2: Hazards identification

### 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

Classification acc. to GHS

Section	Hazard class	Category	Hazard class and category	Hazard statement
3.1O	Acute toxicity (oral)	4	Acute Tox. 4	H302
3.1D	Acute toxicity (dermal)	4	Acute Tox. 4	H312
3.1I	Acute toxicity (inhal.)	4	Acute Tox. 4	H332

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## Supplemental hazard information

Code	Supplemental hazard information
AUH032	contact with acids liberates very toxic gas

For full text of abbreviations: see SECTION 16

## 2.2 Label elements

### Labelling

**Signal word**      **Warning**

### Pictograms

GHS07



### Hazard statements

H302+H312+H332      Harmful if swallowed, in contact with skin or if inhaled

### Precautionary statements

#### Precautionary statements - prevention

P261                      Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray  
P280                      Wear protective gloves/protective clothing

#### Precautionary statements - response

P302+P352              IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water  
P312                      Call a POISON CENTRE/doctor if you feel unwell  
P321                      Specific treatment (see on this label)

#### Precautionary statements - disposal

P501                      Dispose of contents/container to industrial combustion plant

### Supplemental hazard information

AUH032                      Contact with acids liberates very toxic gas.

## 2.3 Other hazards

### Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

According to the results of its assessment, this substance is not a PBT or a vPvB.

### Endocrine disrupting properties

Does not contain an endocrine disruptor (ED) at a concentration of ≥ 0,1%.

## SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

### 3.1 Substances

Name of substance	Potassium thiocyanate
Molecular formula	KSCN
Molar mass	97.18 g/mol
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## SECTION 4: First aid measures

### 4.1 Description of first aid measures



#### General notes

Take off contaminated clothing.

#### Following inhalation

If breathing is difficult, remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.

#### Following skin contact

Rinse skin with water/shower. In all cases of doubt, or when symptoms persist, seek medical advice.

#### Following eye contact

Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. In all cases of doubt, or when symptoms persist, seek medical advice.

#### Following ingestion

Rinse mouth with water (only if the person is conscious). Call a doctor.

### 4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Agitation, Cardiac arrhythmias, Vomiting, Irritant effects, Loss of righting reflex, and ataxia, Spasms

### 4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

none

## SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

### 5.1 Extinguishing media



#### Suitable extinguishing media

co-ordinate firefighting measures to the fire surroundings!

water, foam, alcohol resistant foam, dry extinguishing powder, ABC-powder

#### Unsuitable extinguishing media

water jet

### 5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Non-combustible.

#### Hazardous combustion products

In case of fire may be liberated: Nitrogen oxides (NOx), Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), Sulphur oxides (SOx), Hydrogen cyanide (HCN, prussic acid)

### 5.3 Advice for firefighters

In case of fire and/or explosion do not breathe fumes. Fight fire with normal precautions from a reasonable distance. Wear self-contained breathing apparatus.

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## SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

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



#### For non-emergency personnel

Wearing of suitable protective equipment (including personal protective equipment referred to under Section 8 of the safety data sheet) to prevent any contamination of skin, eyes and personal clothing. Do not breathe dust.

### 6.2 Environmental precautions

Keep away from drains, surface and ground water. Retain contaminated washing water and dispose of it.

### 6.3 Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

#### Advice on how to contain a spill

Covering of drains. Take up mechanically.

#### Advice on how to clean up a spill

Take up mechanically. Control of dust.

#### Other information relating to spills and releases

Place in appropriate containers for disposal.

### 6.4 Reference to other sections

Hazardous combustion products: see section 5. Personal protective equipment: see section 8. Incompatible materials: see section 10. Disposal considerations: see section 13.

## SECTION 7: Handling and storage

### 7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Avoid dust formation.

#### Advice on general occupational hygiene

Wash hands before breaks and after work. Keep away from food, drink and animal feedingstuffs.

### 7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store in a dry place.

#### Incompatible substances or mixtures

Observe hints for combined storage. Incompatible materials: see section 10.

#### Consideration of other advice:

#### Ventilation requirements

Keep any substance that emits harmful vapours or gases in a place that allows these to be permanently extracted.

#### Specific designs for storage rooms or vessels

Recommended storage temperature: 15 – 25 °C

### 7.3 Specific end use(s)

No information available.

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## SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

### 8.1 Control parameters

#### National limit values

##### Occupational exposure limit values (Workplace Exposure Limits)

This information is not available.

#### Human health values

Relevant DNELs and other threshold levels				
Endpoint	Threshold level	Protection goal, route of exposure	Used in	Exposure time
DNEL	3.6 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	human, inhalatory	worker (industry)	chronic - systemic effects
DNEL	5.1 mg/kg bw/day	human, dermal	worker (industry)	chronic - systemic effects

#### Environmental values

Relevant PNECs and other threshold levels				
End-point	Threshold level	Organism	Environmental compartment	Exposure time
PNEC	0.095 mg/l	aquatic organisms	freshwater	short-term (single instance)
PNEC	0.009 mg/l	aquatic organisms	marine water	short-term (single instance)
PNEC	30 mg/l	aquatic organisms	sewage treatment plant (STP)	short-term (single instance)
PNEC	0.543 mg/kg	aquatic organisms	freshwater sediment	short-term (single instance)
PNEC	0.054 mg/kg	aquatic organisms	marine sediment	short-term (single instance)
PNEC	6.336 mg/kg	terrestrial organisms	soil	short-term (single instance)

### 8.2 Exposure controls

#### Individual protection measures (personal protective equipment)

##### Eye/face protection



Use safety goggles with side protection.

##### Skin protection



##### • hand protection

Wear suitable gloves. Chemical protection gloves are suitable, which are tested according to EN 374. For special purposes, it is recommended to check the resistance to chemicals of the protective gloves mentioned above together with the supplier of these gloves. The times are approximate values from measurements at 22 °C and permanent contact. Increased temperatures due to heated substances, body heat etc. and a reduction of the effective layer thickness by stretching can lead to a considerable reduction of the breakthrough time. If in doubt, contact manufacturer. At an approx. 1.5 times larger / smaller layer thickness, the respective breakthrough time is doubled / halved. The data apply only to

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the pure substance. When transferred to substance mixtures, they may only be considered as a guide.

- **type of material**

NBR (Nitrile rubber)

- **material thickness**

>0,11 mm

- **breakthrough times of the glove material**

>480 minutes (permeation: level 6)

- **other protection measures**

Take recovery periods for skin regeneration. Preventive skin protection (barrier creams/ointments) is recommended.

### Respiratory protection



Respiratory protection necessary at: Dust formation. Particulate filter device (EN 143). P2 (filters at least 94 % of airborne particles, colour code: White).

### Environmental exposure controls

Keep away from drains, surface and ground water.

## SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

### 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Physical state	solid
Form	crystalline
Colour	white
Odour	odourless
Melting point/freezing point	177 °C at 1,013 hPa (ECHA)
Boiling point or initial boiling point and boiling range	not determined
Flammability	non-combustible
Lower and upper explosion limit	not relevant (solid)
Flash point	not applicable
Auto-ignition temperature	not determined
Decomposition temperature	500 °C
pH (value)	4.8 (in aqueous solution: 1,070 g/l, 20.1 °C) (ECHA)
Kinematic viscosity	not relevant

#### Solubility(ies)

Water solubility	>1,000 g/l at 20 °C (ECHA)
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#### Partition coefficient

Partition coefficient n-octanol/water (log value):	-2.52 (ECHA)
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Vapour pressure <0 Pa at 20 °C

### Density and/or relative density

Density 1.91 g/cm³ at 20 °C (ECHA)  
Relative vapour density not relevant (solid)  
Bulk density ~ 1,000 kg/m³

Particle characteristics No data available.

### Other safety parameters

Oxidising properties none

## 9.2 Other information

Information with regard to physical hazard classes: hazard classes acc. to GHS (physical hazards): not relevant

Other safety characteristics: There is no additional information.

## SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

### 10.1 Reactivity

This material is not reactive under normal ambient conditions.

### 10.2 Chemical stability

The material is stable under normal ambient and anticipated storage and handling conditions of temperature and pressure.

### 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

**Violent reaction with:** Acids, strong oxidiser,

**Release of an acute toxic gas:** Hydrogen cyanide (HCN, prussic acid)

### 10.4 Conditions to avoid

Keep away from heat. Decomposition takes place from temperatures above: 500 °C.

### 10.5 Incompatible materials

There is no additional information.

**Release of toxic materials with**

Acids.

### 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

Hazardous combustion products: see section 5.

## SECTION 11: Toxicological information

### 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

**Classification acc. to GHS**

**Acute toxicity**

Harmful if swallowed. Harmful in contact with skin. Harmful if inhaled.

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<b>Acute toxicity</b>					
Exposure route	Endpoint	Value	Species	Method	Source
oral	LD50	854 mg/kg	rat		TOXNET
dermal	LD50	>2,000 mg/kg	rat		ECHA

### **Skin corrosion/irritation**

Shall not be classified as corrosive/irritant to skin.

### **Serious eye damage/eye irritation**

Shall not be classified as seriously damaging to the eye or eye irritant.

### **Respiratory or skin sensitisation**

Shall not be classified as a respiratory or skin sensitiser.

### **Germ cell mutagenicity**

Shall not be classified as germ cell mutagenic.

### **Carcinogenicity**

Shall not be classified as carcinogenic.

### **Reproductive toxicity**

Shall not be classified as a reproductive toxicant.

### **Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure**

Shall not be classified as a specific target organ toxicant (single exposure).

### **Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure**

Shall not be classified as a specific target organ toxicant (repeated exposure).

### **Aspiration hazard**

Shall not be classified as presenting an aspiration hazard.

### **Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics**

- If swallowed**

Data are not available.

- If in eyes**

Data are not available.

- If inhaled**

Data are not available.

- If on skin**

Data are not available.

- Other information**

Cardiac arrhythmias, Spasms, Agitation, Loss of righting reflex, and ataxia

## 11.2 Endocrine disrupting properties

Does not contain an endocrine disruptor (ED) at a concentration of ≥ 0,1%.

## SECTION 12: Ecological information

### 12.1 Toxicity

Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

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<b>Aquatic toxicity (acute)</b>				
Endpoint	Value	Species	Source	Exposure time
LC50	65 mg/l	fish	ECHA	96 h
EC50	3.56 mg/l	aquatic invertebrates	ECHA	48 h

<b>Aquatic toxicity (chronic)</b>				
Endpoint	Value	Species	Source	Exposure time
EC50	2.6 mg/l	aquatic invertebrates	ECHA	21 d
NOEC	1.84 mg/l	fish	ECHA	124 d
LOEC	12.2 mg/l	fish	ECHA	124 d

### 12.2 Persistence and degradability

Theoretical Oxygen Demand (without nitrification): 0.5762 mg/mg

Theoretical Oxygen Demand (with nitrification): 1.235 mg/mg

Theoretical Carbon Dioxide: 0.4529 mg/mg

#### Biodegradation

The substance is readily biodegradable.

<b>Process of degradability</b>		
Process	Degradation rate	Time
DOC removal	80 %	28 d

### 12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

Does not significantly accumulate in organisms.

n-octanol/water (log KOW)	-2.52 (ECHA)
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### 12.4 Mobility in soil

Data are not available.

### 12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

Data are not available.

### 12.6 Endocrine disrupting properties

Does not contain an endocrine disruptor (ED) at a concentration of ≥ 0,1%.

### 12.7 Other adverse effects

Data are not available.

## SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

### 13.1 Waste treatment methods



This material and its container must be disposed of as hazardous waste. Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.

#### Sewage disposal-relevant information

Do not empty into drains.

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## Waste treatment of containers/packagings

Handle contaminated packages in the same way as the substance itself. Completely emptied packages can be recycled.

## 13.3 Remarks

Waste shall be separated into the categories that can be handled separately by the local or national waste management facilities. Please consider the relevant national or regional provisions. Non-contaminated packages may be recycled.

## SECTION 14: Transport information

<b>14.1 UN number</b>	not subject to transport regulations
<b>14.2 UN proper shipping name</b>	not assigned
<b>14.3 Transport hazard class(es)</b>	not assigned
<b>14.4 Packing group</b>	not assigned
<b>14.5 Environmental hazards</b>	non-environmentally hazardous acc. to the dangerous goods regulations

### 14.6 Special precautions for user

There is no additional information.

### 14.7 Transport in bulk according to IMO instruments

The cargo is not intended to be carried in bulk.

### 14.8 Information for each of the UN Model Regulations

#### Transport informationNational regulationsAdditional information(UN RTDG)

Not subject to transport regulations. UN RTDG

#### International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG) - Additional information

Not subject to IMDG.

#### International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO-IATA/DGR) - Additional information

Not subject to ICAO-IATA.

## SECTION 15: Regulatory information

### 15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

There is no additional information.

#### National regulations(Australia)

##### Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances(AICS)

Substance is listed.

#### Other information

Directive 94/33/EC on the protection of young people at work. Observe employment restrictions under the Maternity Protection Directive (92/85/EEC) for expectant or nursing mothers.

#### National inventories

Country	Inventory	Status
AU	AIIC	substance is listed
CA	DSL	substance is listed
CN	IECSC	substance is listed
EU	ECSI	substance is listed

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Country	Inventory	Status
EU	REACH Reg.	substance is listed
JP	CSCL-ENCS	substance is listed
KR	KECI	substance is listed
NZ	NZIoC	substance is listed
PH	PICCS	substance is listed
TW	TCSI	substance is listed
US	TSCA	substance is listed (ACTIVE)
VN	NCI	substance is listed

### Legend

AIIC	Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals
CSCL-ENCS	List of Existing and New Chemical Substances (CSCL-ENCS)
DSL	Domestic Substances List (DSL)
ECSI	EC Substance Inventory (EINECS, ELINCS, NLP)
IECSC	Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances Produced or Imported in China
KECI	Korea Existing Chemicals Inventory
NCI	National Chemical Inventory
NZIoC	New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals
PICCS	Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances (PICCS)
REACH Reg.	REACH registered substances
TCSI	Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory
TSCA	Toxic Substance Control Act

## 15.2 Chemical Safety Assessment

No Chemical Safety Assessment has been carried out for this substance.

## SECTION 16: Other information

### Indication of changes (revised safety data sheet)

Section	Former entry (text/value)	Actual entry (text/value)	Safety-relevant
2.2		Precautionary statements - response: change in the listing (table)	yes

### Abbreviations and acronyms

Abbr.	Descriptions of used abbreviations
CAS	Chemical Abstracts Service (service that maintains the most comprehensive list of chemical substances)
DGR	Dangerous Goods Regulations (see IATA/DGR)
DNEL	Derived No-Effect Level
EC50	Effective Concentration 50 %. The EC50 corresponds to the concentration of a tested substance causing 50 % changes in response (e.g. on growth) during a specified time interval
ED	Endocrine disruptor
EINECS	European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances
ELINCS	European List of Notified Chemical Substances
GHS	"Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals" developed by the United Nations
IATA	International Air Transport Association
IATA/DGR	Dangerous Goods Regulations (DGR) for the air transport (IATA)
ICAO	International Civil Aviation Organization

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Abbr.	Descriptions of used abbreviations
IMDG	International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code
LC50	Lethal Concentration 50%: the LC50 corresponds to the concentration of a tested substance causing 50 % lethality during a specified time interval
LD50	Lethal Dose 50 %: the LD50 corresponds to the dose of a tested substance causing 50 % lethality during a specified time interval
LOEC	Lowest Observed Effect Concentration
NLP	No-Longer Polymer
NOEC	No Observed Effect Concentration
PBT	Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic
PNEC	Predicted No-Effect Concentration
UN RTDG	UN Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Good
vPvB	Very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative

### Key literature references and sources for data

Safe Work Australia's Code of Practice for Labelling of Workplace Hazardous Chemicals (under WHS Regulations).

UN Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Good. International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG). Dangerous Goods Regulations (DGR) for the air transport (IATA).

### List of relevant phrases (code and full text as stated in section 2 and 3)

Code	Text
H302	Harmful if swallowed.
H312	Harmful in contact with skin.
H332	Harmful if inhaled.

### Disclaimer

This information is based upon the present state of our knowledge. This SDS has been compiled and is solely intended for this product.