

Safety data sheet
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SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

- **1.1 Product identifier**
- **Trade name:** Potassium cyanide, 96% (ACS)
- **Item number:** 93-1916
- **CAS Number:**
151-50-8
- **EC number:**
205-792-3
- **Index number:**
006-007-00-5
- **1.2 Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against**
No further relevant information available.
- **1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**
- **Manufacturer/Supplier:**
Strem Chemicals, Inc.
7 Mulliken Way
NEWBURYPORT, MA 01950
USA
info@strem.com
- **Further information obtainable from:** Technical Department
- **1.4 Emergency telephone number:**
EMERGENCY: CHEMTREC: + 1 (800) 424-9300
During normal opening times: +1 (978) 499-1600

SECTION 2: Hazards identification

- **2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture**
- **Classification according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008**



GHS06 skull and crossbones

Acute Tox. 2 H300 Fatal if swallowed.
Acute Tox. 1 H310 Fatal in contact with skin.
Acute Tox. 2 H330 Fatal if inhaled.



GHS09 environment

Aquatic Acute 1 H400 Very toxic to aquatic life.
Aquatic Chronic 1 H410 Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

- **2.2 Label elements**
- **Labelling according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008**
The substance is classified and labelled according to the CLP regulation.
- **Hazard pictograms**



GHS06 GHS09

- **Signal word** *Danger*

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· **Hazard-determining components of labelling:**

potassium cyanide

· **Hazard statements**

H300+H310+H330 Fatal if swallowed, in contact with skin or if inhaled.

H410 Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

· **Precautionary statements**

P101 If medical advice is needed, have product container or label at hand.

P102 Keep out of reach of children.

P103 Read label before use.

P284 [In case of inadequate ventilation] wear respiratory protection.

P260 Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.

P301+P310 IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER/ doctor.

P305+P351+P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

P403+P233 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.

P501 Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.

· **Additional information:**

EUH032 Contact with acids liberates very toxic gas.

· **2.3 Other hazards**

· **Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**

· **PBT:** Not applicable.

· **vPvB:** Not applicable.

SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

· **3.1 Chemical characterisation: Substances**

· **CAS No. Description**

151-50-8 potassium cyanide

· **Identification number(s)**

· **EC number:** 205-792-3

· **Index number:** 006-007-00-5

SECTION 4: First aid measures

· **4.1 Description of first aid measures**

· **General information:**

Immediately remove any clothing soiled by the product.

Remove breathing equipment only after contaminated clothing have been completely removed.

In case of irregular breathing or respiratory arrest provide artificial respiration.

· **After inhalation:**

Supply fresh air or oxygen; call for doctor.

In case of unconsciousness place patient stably in side position for transportation.

· **After skin contact:** Immediately wash with water and soap and rinse thoroughly.

· **After eye contact:** Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. Then consult a doctor.

· **After swallowing:** Do not induce vomiting; call for medical help immediately.

· **4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed** No further relevant information available.

· **4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**

No further relevant information available.

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SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

- **5.1 Extinguishing media**
- **Suitable extinguishing agents:** Use fire extinguishing methods suitable to surrounding conditions.
- **5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture**
During heating or in case of fire poisonous gases are produced.
- **5.3 Advice for firefighters**
- **Protective equipment:** Mouth respiratory protective device.

SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

- **6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures** Mount respiratory protective device.
- **6.2 Environmental precautions:**
Do not allow product to reach sewage system or any water course.
Inform respective authorities in case of seepage into water course or sewage system.
- **6.3 Methods and material for containment and cleaning up:**
Dispose contaminated material as waste according to item 13.
Ensure adequate ventilation.
- **6.4 Reference to other sections**
See Section 7 for information on safe handling.
See Section 8 for information on personal protection equipment.
See Section 13 for disposal information.

SECTION 7: Handling and storage

- **7.1 Precautions for safe handling**
Thorough dedusting.
Ensure good ventilation/exhaustion at the workplace.
Open and handle receptacle with care.
- **Information about fire - and explosion protection:** Keep respiratory protective device available.
- **7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**
- **Storage:**
- **Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles:** No special requirements.
- **Information about storage in one common storage facility:** Do not store together with acids.
- **Further information about storage conditions:** Keep container tightly sealed.
- **7.3 Specific end use(s)** No further relevant information available.

SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

- **Additional information about design of technical facilities:** No further data; see item 7.
- **8.1 Control parameters**

· **Ingredients with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace:**

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WEL	Long-term value: 5 mg/m ³ as CN; Sk
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- **Additional information:** The lists valid during the making were used as basis.

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· **8.2 Exposure controls**

· **Personal protective equipment:**

· **General protective and hygienic measures:**

Keep away from foodstuffs, beverages and feed.
Immediately remove all soiled and contaminated clothing
Wash hands before breaks and at the end of work.
Store protective clothing separately.
Avoid contact with the eyes and skin.

· **Respiratory protection:**

In case of brief exposure or low pollution use respiratory filter device. In case of intensive or longer exposure use self-contained respiratory protective device.

· **Protection of hands:**



Protective gloves

The glove material has to be impermeable and resistant to the product/ the substance/ the preparation.
Due to missing tests no recommendation to the glove material can be given for the product/ the preparation/ the chemical mixture.

Selection of the glove material on consideration of the penetration times, rates of diffusion and the degradation

· **Material of gloves**

The selection of the suitable gloves does not only depend on the material, but also on further marks of quality and varies from manufacturer to manufacturer.

· **Penetration time of glove material**

The exact break through time has to be found out by the manufacturer of the protective gloves and has to be observed.

· **Eye protection:** Safety glasses

· **9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

· **General Information**

· **Appearance:**

Form:	Powder
Colour:	White
Odour:	Mild
Odour threshold:	Not determined.

· **pH-value:** Not applicable.

· **Change in condition**

Melting point/freezing point:	634.5 °C
Initial boiling point and boiling range:	Undetermined.

· **Flash point:** Not applicable.

· **Flammability (solid, gas):** Not determined.

· **Ignition temperature:**

Decomposition temperature:	Not determined.
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· **Auto-ignition temperature:** Not determined.

· **Explosive properties:** Product does not present an explosion hazard.

· **Explosion limits:**

Lower:	Not determined.
Upper:	Not determined.

· **Vapour pressure:** Not applicable.

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· Density at 20 °C:	1.52 g/cm ³
· Relative density	Not determined.
· Vapour density	Not applicable.
· Evaporation rate	Not applicable.
· Solubility in / Miscibility with water at 20 °C:	630 g/l
· Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water:	Not determined.
· Viscosity:	
Dynamic:	Not applicable.
Kinematic:	Not applicable.
· Solvent content:	
Organic solvents:	0.0 %
VOC (EC)	0.00 %
Solids content:	100.0 %
· 9.2 Other information	No further relevant information available.

SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

- **10.1 Reactivity** No further relevant information available.
- **10.2 Chemical stability**
- **Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:** No decomposition if used according to specifications.
- **10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions** No dangerous reactions known.
- **10.4 Conditions to avoid** No further relevant information available.
- **10.5 Incompatible materials:** No further relevant information available.
- **10.6 Hazardous decomposition products:** No dangerous decomposition products known.

SECTION 11: Toxicological information

- **11.1 Information on toxicological effects**
- **Acute toxicity**
Fatal if swallowed, in contact with skin or if inhaled.

· **LD/LC50 values relevant for classification:**

Oral	LD50	5 mg/kg (rat)
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Oral	LD50	5000 mg/kg (rat)
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- **Primary irritant effect:**
- **Skin corrosion/irritation** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
- **Serious eye damage/irritation** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
- **Respiratory or skin sensitisation** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
- **CMR effects (carcinogenicity, mutagenicity and toxicity for reproduction)**
- **Germ cell mutagenicity** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
- **Carcinogenicity** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
- **Reproductive toxicity** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
- **STOT-single exposure** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
- **STOT-repeated exposure** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

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· **Aspiration hazard** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.


SECTION 12: Ecological information

- **12.1 Toxicity**
- **Aquatic toxicity:** No further relevant information available.
- **12.2 Persistence and degradability** No further relevant information available.
- **12.3 Bioaccumulative potential** No further relevant information available.
- **12.4 Mobility in soil** No further relevant information available.
- **Ecotoxicological effects:**
- **Remark:** Very toxic for fish
- **Additional ecological information:**
- **General notes:**
Also poisonous for fish and plankton in water bodies.
Very toxic for aquatic organisms
- **12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**
- **PBT:** Not applicable.
- **vPvB:** Not applicable.
- **12.6 Other adverse effects** No further relevant information available.

SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

- **13.1 Waste treatment methods**
- **Recommendation**
Must not be disposed together with household garbage. Do not allow product to reach sewage system.
- **Uncleaned packaging:**
- **Recommendation:** Disposal must be made according to official regulations.

SECTION 14: Transport information

- **14.1 UN-Number**
- **ADR, IMDG, IATA** UN1680
- **14.2 UN proper shipping name**
- **ADR** 1680 POTASSIUM CYANIDE, SOLID
- **IMDG** POTASSIUM CYANIDE, SOLID, MARINE POLLUTANT
- **IATA** POTASSIUM CYANIDE, SOLID
- **14.3 Transport hazard class(es)**
- **ADR**
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- **Class** 6

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· **Label** 6.1

· **IMDG**



· **Class** 6.1 Toxic substances.
· **Label** 6.1

· **IATA**



· **Class** 6.1 Toxic substances.
· **Label** 6.1

· **14.4 Packing group**
· **ADR, IMDG, IATA** I

· **14.5 Environmental hazards:**
· **Marine pollutant:** No
Symbol (fish and tree)

· **14.6 Special precautions for user** Not applicable.
· **Danger code (Kemler):** 66
· **Segregation groups** Cyanides
· **Stowage Category** B
· **Segregation Code** SG35 Stow "separated from" acids.

· **14.7 Transport in bulk according to Annex II of**
Marpol and the IBC Code Not applicable.

· **Transport/Additional information:**

· **ADR**
· **Limited quantities (LQ)** 0
· **Excepted quantities (EQ)** Code: E5
Maximum net quantity per inner packaging: 1 g
Maximum net quantity per outer packaging: 300 g
· **Transport category** 1
· **Tunnel restriction code** C/E

· **IMDG**
· **Limited quantities (LQ)** 0
· **Excepted quantities (EQ)** Code: E5
Maximum net quantity per inner packaging: 1 g
Maximum net quantity per outer packaging: 300 g

· **UN "Model Regulation":** UN 1680 POTASSIUM CYANIDE, SOLID, 6.1, I

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SECTION 15: Regulatory information

- **15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture**
- **Directive 2012/18/EU**
- **Named dangerous substances - ANNEX I Substance is not listed.**
- **Seveso category**
H1 ACUTE TOXIC
E1 Hazardous to the Aquatic Environment
- **Qualifying quantity (tonnes) for the application of lower-tier requirements 5 t**
- **Qualifying quantity (tonnes) for the application of upper-tier requirements 20 t**
- **15.2 Chemical safety assessment: A Chemical Safety Assessment has not been carried out.**

SECTION 16: Other information

This information is based on our present knowledge. However, this shall not constitute a guarantee for any specific product features and shall not establish a legally valid contractual relationship.

- **Department issuing SDS: Technical Department.**
- **Contact: Technical Director**
- **Abbreviations and acronyms:**
ADR: Accord européen sur le transport des marchandises dangereuses par Route (European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road)
IMDG: International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods
IATA: International Air Transport Association
GHS: Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals
EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances
CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society)
VOC: Volatile Organic Compounds (USA, EU)
LC50: Lethal concentration, 50 percent
LD50: Lethal dose, 50 percent
PBT: Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic
vPvB: very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative
Acute Tox. 2: Acute toxicity – Category 2
Acute Tox. 1: Acute toxicity – Category 1
Aquatic Acute 1: Hazardous to the aquatic environment - acute aquatic hazard – Category 1
Aquatic Chronic 1: Hazardous to the aquatic environment - long-term aquatic hazard – Category 1

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