### SECTION 1 IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

Product (material) name: Potassium Permanganate

Other names: Condy's crystals
Recommended use: Disinfectant, antiseptic

Supplier Details: Pharmachem

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## SECTION 2 HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

This product is dangerous goods under the Australian Dangerous Goods Code and is classified as hazardous according to the classification criteria of NOHSC:1008(2004), Approved Criteria For Classifying Hazardous Substances and the National Code of Practice for the Preparation of Material Safety Data Sheets 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition [NOHSC:2011(2003)]:

Hazard Category: Xn Harmful

Xi Irritant

Risk phrase(s): R8 Contact with combustible material may cause fire.

R22 Harmful if swallowed. R36 Irritating to eyes.

R37 Irritating to respiratory system.

R38 Irritating to skin.

Safety phrase(s): S17 Keep away from combustible material.

S26 In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of

water and seek medical advice.

S36 Wear suitable protective clothing.

Wear suitable gloves.Wear eye / face protection.

S45 In case of accident or if you feel unwell, seek medical advice

immediately (show the label whenever possible).

Health Effects

Acute:

Swallowed Harmful if swallowed. May cause swelling and irritation of the tissues in the mouth and

throat, nausea, vomiting, high-pitched noisy breathing (stridor), slow pulse, shock, fall of

blood pressure and death. Liver and kidney damage may develop.

Eye: Dilute solutions may cause mild irritation. Solid material and strong solutions may cause

hardened, ulcer-like, dark-brown coloured injury where the chemical touches the eye, conjunctivitis and bleeding. Prolonged contact may cause cloudiness and brown

discolouration of the cornea.

Skin: May cause irritation or a burn with a thick, brownish-purple area of dead tissue.

Inhaled: May cause irritation of the nose, throat and respiratory tract, sore throat, coughing,

shortness of breath and difficult breathing.

Chronic:

Chronic exposure may result in pulmonary oedema. Chronic intake of manganese compounds by ingestion and inhalation can result in harmful effects on the central nervous system. Symptoms could include difficulty in walking, weakness or cramps in the legs, trouble with memory and judgement and unstable emotions. If high exposure continues, poor coordination, difficulty in speaking clearly, or shaking or tremor of the arms or legs may develop.

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## SECTION 3 COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Ingredients	CAS NO.	Proportion
Potassium Permanganate	7722-64-7	100%

#### SECTION 4 FIRST AID MEASURES

The following recommendations for First Aid measures appear in the Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP) which is published by the Australian Government under the Therapeutic Goods Act 1989. The recommendations are a result of consideration of this material and its use in Australia by the Commonwealth Department of Health and Ageing.

For advice contact a Poisons Information Centre (Phone Australia 13 11 26) If swallowed, do NOT induce vomiting.

If in eyes, hold eyelids apart and flush the eye continuously with running water. Continue flushing until advised to stop by the Poisons Information Centre or a doctor, or for at least 15 minutes.

If skin or hair contact occurs, remove contaminated clothing and flush skin and hair with running water.

First Aid Facilities: Maintain eyewash fountain and drench facilities in work area.

Advice to Doctor: Consult Poisons Information Centre.

### SECTION 5 FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Suitable extinguishing media: Use water spray to blanket fire, cool fire-exposed containers, and

to flush non-ignited spills or vapors away from fire. Suffocating type extinguishers are not as effective as water. Do not allow

water run-off to enter sewers or waterways.

Hazards from combustion

products:

Not combustible but assists combustion of other substances. Will accelerate burning when involved in a fire. May explode on

heating, shock, friction or contamination. Some will react explosively with hydrocarbons (fuels). May ignite combustibles (wood, paper, clothing, etc). Fire may produce irritating, poisonous, and/or corrosive gases. Containers may explode on

heating. Runoff may create fire or explosion hazard.

Special protective precautions and equipment for fire fighters:

Wear SCBA and chemical splash suit. Structural firefighter's

uniform will provide limited protection.

## SECTION 6 ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Emergency procedures: Do not contaminate waterways with spilled material. Keep

combustibles (wood, paper, clothing, oil, etc.) away from the spilled material. Do NOT touch damaged containers or spilled material unless wearing appropriate protective clothing. Use water spray to knock down vapours or divert vapour clouds. Prevent entry into waterways, drains or confined areas. Prevent

exposure to heat.

Methods and materials for containment and clean up:

Use clean non-sparking tools to transfer material to a clean, dry

plastic container and cover loosely. Move container from spill

area.

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### SECTION 7 HANDLING AND STORAGE

Precautions for Safe

Handling: Wear safety glasses and keep the solid or solution from contact

with the skin. Protect against physical damage and moisture. Isolate from any source of heat or ignition. Separate from incompatibles, combustibles, organic or other readily oxidizing materials. Containers of this material may be hazardous when empty since they retain product residues (dust, solids); observe

all warnings and precautions listed for the product.

Conditions for Safe Storage: Keep in a tightly closed container, stored in a cool, dry, well-

ventilated area out of direct sunlight. Avoid storage on wood

floors.

## SECTION 8 EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

**Biological Limit Values** 

TWA: 1 mg/m<sup>3</sup> - Manganese dust, fume, and compounds (as

manganese) - Worksafe Aust.

STEL: 3 mg/m³ - Manganese fume

Engineering Controls: Maintain concentration below recommended exposure limit.

Local exhaust ventilation system may be required.

Personal Protective Equipment:

Eye Protection: Use chemical safety goggles. Where dust or splashing of

solutions is possible, use full face shield.

Clothing: Wear suitable protective clothing and gloves to prevent skin

contact.

### SECTION 9 PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance Dark purple crystals with blue metallic sheen.

Taste: Sweetish, astringent

Odour Odourless
Form Solid
Specific Gravity 2.7032

Solubility in Water 64 g/L @ 20 °C

Other Properties:

Oxidising Properties Powerful oxidizing agent.

Solubility in Organic Solvents Soluble in acetone and methanol.

Decomposition Temp. 240 °C

## SECTION 10 STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Chemical stability: Stable.

Conditions to avoid: Heat, flames, ignition sources and incompatibles Incompatible materials: Powdered metals, alcohol, arsenites, bromides, iodides,

phosphorus, sulfuric acid, organic compounds, sulphur, activated

carbon, hydrides, strong hydrogen peroxide, ferrous or mercurous salts, hypophosphites, hyposulphites, sulfites,

peroxides, and oxalates.

Hazardous decomposition

products: Toxic metal fumes may form when heated to decomposition.

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Hazardous reactions: Hazardous polymerization will not occur. Dangerous fire and

explosion risk in contact with organic materials. Contact with reducing materials may cause fire. May react violently in contact with sulfuric acid or hydrogen peroxide. May react violently and give off toxic gases in contact with concentrated acids. May react

explosively in contact with antimony, arsenic, titanium,

ammonium compounds.

Hazchem code 1Y

Other information Decomposed by alcohol.

### SECTION 11 TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Toxicology (Acute)

 $\begin{array}{lll} \text{Oral LD}_{50} \ (\text{Rat}): & 1090 \ \text{mg/kg} \\ \text{Oral LD}_{50} \ \text{Mouse}: & 2157 \ \text{mg/kg} \\ \text{Oral LD}_{50} \ \text{Guinea pig}: & 1151 \ \text{mg/kg} \\ \text{LDLO (Human)}: & 143 \ \text{mg/kg} \\ \end{array}$ 

Chronic exposure may result in mutagenic and adverse reproductive effects, as well as adverse effects on the central nervous system.

### SECTION 12 ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Potassium Permanganate has a low estimated lifetime in the environment, being readily converted by oxidizable materials to insoluble manganese dioxide (MnO<sub>2</sub>). Very toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.

Bioconcentration potential: In non-reducing and non-acidic environments manganese dioxide

(MnO<sub>2</sub>) is insoluble and has a very low bioaccumulative

potential.

Aquatic Toxicity:

Rainbow trout, 96 hour  $LC_{50}$ : 1.8 mg/L Bluegill sunfish, 96 hour  $LC_{50}$ : 2.3 mg/L

### SECTION 13 DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Disposal methods and containers: Contact local authorities prior to disposal. Seek expert advice

before disposing of this material or material collected as a result of cleanup of spills of this material. Store material for disposal as

indicated in storage conditions.

Special precautions for landfill

or incineration: Do not burn waste material or containers.

# SECTION 14 TRANSPORT INFORMATION

UN Number: 1490

Proper Shipping Name: POTASSIUM PERMANGANATE

DG Class: 5.1
Packing Group: II
Hazchem Code: 1Y

Dangerous goods of Class 5.1 (Oxidizing Agent) are incompatible in

a placard load with any of the following: Class 1, Class 2.1, Class 2.3, Class 3, Class 4, Class 5.2, Class

7, Class 8, Fire risk substances and Combustible liquids.

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Packaging Method: 5.9.5.1

### SECTION 15 REGULATORY INFORMATION

Potassium permanganate has been included in Schedule 6 of the Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP) by the Commonwealth Department of Health and Aging. The Secretary of the Department (or delegate) has established First Aid and Safety Directions for this material based on an assessment of the use of this material in Australia and these instructions have been included in this Material Safety Data Sheet.

Potassium Permanganate is classified as dangerous goods under the Australian Dangerous Goods Code and is therefore regulated under transport legislation in Australia.

Potassium permanganate is listed in the Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances but has not been assessed by NICNAS.

### SECTION 16 OTHER INFORMATION

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- 1. FAISD Handbook, Handbook of First Aid Instructions, Safety Directions, Warning Statements, and General Safety Precautions for, Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals, (as updated)
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- 7. The Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail (ADG Code) 7th Edition
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