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MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

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SUBSTANCE IDENTIFICATION

CAS-NUMBER 921-53-9

SUBSTANCE: **POTASSIUM TARTRATE**

TRADE NAMES/SYNONYMS: SOLUBLE TARTAR; POTASSIUM D-TARTRATE; P-313;

CHEMICAL FAMILY: INORGANIC SALT

MOLECULAR FORMULA: C+-H+-K2-06-1/2H20

MOLECULAR WEIGHT: 235, 28

CERCLA RATINGS (SCALE 0-3): HEALTH:0 FIRE:0 REACTIVITY:0 PERSISTENCE:3
NFPA RATINGS (SCALE 0-4): HEALTH:0 FIRE:0 REACTIVITY:0

COMPONENTS AND CONTAMINANTS

COMPONENT: POTASSIUM TARTRATE

PERCENT: 100

OTHER CONTAMINANTS: NONE

EXPOSURE LIMITS:
NO OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURE LIMITS ESTABLISHED BY OSHA, ACGIH, OR NIOSH.

PHYSICAL DATA

DESCRIPTION: WHITE CRYSTALS OR GRANULAR POWDER.

BOILING POINT: 392 F (200 C) DECOMPOSES MELTING POINT: 311 F (155 C) -H20

SPECIFIC GRAVITY: 2.0 PH: SLIGHTLY ALKALINE

SOLUBILITY IN WATER: 150% 9 14 C

SOLVENT SOLUBILITY: SLIGHTLY SOLUBLE IN ALCOHOL

FIRE AND EXPLOSION DATA

FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARD: NEGLIGIBLE FIRE HAZARD WHEN EXPOSED TO HEAT OR FLAME.

FLASH POINT: NON-FLAMMABLE

FIREFIGHTING MEDIA:
DRY CHEMICAL, CARBON DIOXIDE, HALON, WATER SPRAY OR STANDARD FOAM
(1987 EMERGENCY RESPONSE GUIDEBOOK, DOT P 5800, 4).

FOR LARGER FIRES, USE WATER SPRAY, FOG OR STANDARD FOAM (1987 EMERGENCY RESPONSE GUIDEBOOK, DOT P 5800.4).

FIREFIGHTING: NO ACUTE HAZARD. MOVE CONTAINER FROM FIRE AREA IF POSSIBLE. AVOID BREATHING VAPORS OR DUSTS; KEEP UPWIND.

TOXICITY

CARCINOGEN STATUS: NONE.
POTASSIUM TARTRATE IS RELATIVELY NON-TOXIC BY INDUSTRIAL ROUTES.

HEALTH EFFECTS AND FIRST AID

INHALATION: ACUTE EXPOSURE- NO DATA AVAILABLE.

CHRONIC EXPOSURE- NO DATA AVAILABLE.

FIRST AID- REMOVE FROM EXPOSURE AREA TO FRESH AIR IMMEDIATELY. IF BREATHING HAS STOPPED, PERFORM ARTIFICIAL RESPIRATION. KEEP PERSON WARM AND AT REST. TREAT SYMPTOMATICALLY AND SUPPORTIVELY. GET MEDICAL ATTENTION IMMEDIATELY.

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SKIN CONTACT: ACUTE EXPOSURE- NO DATA AVAILABLE, MAY CAUSE IRRITATION.

CHRONIC EXPOSURE- NO DATA AVAILABLE.

FIRST AID- REMOVE CONTAMINATED CLOTHING AND SHOES IMMEDIATELY. WASH AFFECTED AREA WITH SOAP OR MILD DETERGENT AND LARGE AMOUNTS OF WATER UNTIL NO EVIDENCE OF CHEMICAL REMAINS (APPROXIMATELY 15-20 MINUTES). GET MEDICAL ATTENTION IMMEDIATELY.

EYE CONTACT:
ACUTE EXPOSURE- MAY CAUSE IRRITATION, NO EFFECTS REPORTED IN HUMANS.
CHRONIC EXPOSURE- NO DATA AVAILABLE.

FIRST AID- WASH EYES IMMEDIATELY WITH LARGE AMOUNTS OF WATER OR NORMAL SALINE, OCCASIONALLY LIFTING UPPER AND LOWER LIDS, UNTIL NO EVIDENCE OF CHEMICAL REMAINS (APPROXIMATELY 15-20 MINUTES). GET MEDICAL ATTENTION IMMEDIATELY.

INGESTION:
ACUTE EXPOSURE- MAY CAUSE NAUSEA, DIARRHEA, AND ABDOMINAL PAIN.

FIRST AID- WHEN THIS CHEMICAL HAS BEEN SWALLOWED AND PERSON IS CONSCIOUS, IMMEDIATELY GIVE PERSON LARGE AMOUNTS OF WATER. AFTER WATER HAS BEEN SWALLOWED, TRY TO GET THE VICTIM TO VOMIT BY HAVING HIM TO TOUCH THE BACK OF HIS THROAT WITH HIS FINGER, DO NOT MAKE AN UNCONSCIOUS PERSON VOMIT. GET MEDICAL ATTENTION IMMEDIATELY.

REACTIVITY

REACTIVITY: STABLE UNDER NORMAL TEMPERATURES AND PRESSURES.

INCOMPATIBILITIES: NONE KNOWN.

DECOMPOSITION:
THERMAL DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS MAY INCLUDE TOXIC OXIDES OF CARBON.

POLYMERIZATION: HAZARDOUS POLYMERIZATION HAS NOT BEEN REPORTED TO OCCUR UNDER NORMAL TEMPERATURES AND PRESSURES.

OCCUPATIONAL SPILL: WITH A CLEAN SHOVEL, PLACE MATERIAL INTO CLEAN, DRY CONTAINER AND COVER. MOVE CONTAINERS AWAY FROM SPILL AREA.

PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

VENTILATION: PROVIDE LOCAL EXHAUST OR GENERAL DILUTION VENTILATION SYSTEM.

RESPIRATOR:
HIGH LEVELS- SUPPLIED-AIR RESPIRATOR.
SELF-CONTAINED BREATHING APPARATUS.

FIREFIGHTING- SELF-CONTAINED BREATHING APPARATUS WITH A FULL FACEPIECE OPERATED IN PRESSURE-DEMAND OR OTHER POSITIVE PRESSURE MODE.

CLOTHING: Protective Clothing not required. Avoid repeated or prolonged contact with This substance.

GLOVES: PROTECTIVE GLOVES ARE NOT REQUIRED BUT RECOMMENDED.

EYE PROTECTION: EMPLOYEE MUST WEAR SPLASH-PROOF OR DUST-RESISTANT SAFETY GOGGLES TO PREVENT EYE CONTACT WITH THIS SUBSTANCE. CONTACT LENSES SHOULD NOT BE WORN.

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