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Classified according to WHMIS 2015

SECTION 1: Identification

1.1. Product Identifier

Trade Name or Designation: Potassium Nitrite

Product Number: R1287000

Other Identifying Product Numbers: R1287000-100C2

1.2. Recommended Use and Restrictions on Use

General Laboratory Reagent

1.3. Details of the Supplier of the Safety Data Sheet

Company: Ricca Chemical Company

Address: 448 West Fork Drive

Arlington, TX 76012 USA

Telephone: 888-467-4222

1.4. Emergency Telephone Number (24 hours)

CHEMTREC (USA)

800-424-9300

CHEMTREC (International)

1+ 703-527-3887

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SECTION 2: Hazard(s) Identification

2.1. Classification of the Substance or Mixture

For the full text of the Hazard and Precautionary Statements listed below, see Section 16.

Hazard Class	Category	Hazard	
		Statements:	Precautionary Statements:
Acute Toxicity - Oral	Category 3	H301	P264, P270, P301+P310, P321, P330, P405, P501
Skin Corrosion / Irritation	Category 2	H315	P264, P280, P302+P352, P321, P332+P313, P362
Eye Damage / Irritation	Category 2A	H319	P264, P280, P305+P351+P338, P337+P313
Germ Cell Mutagenicity	Category 2	H341	P201, P202, P280, P308+P313, P405, P501
Reproductive Toxicity	Category 2	H361	P201, P202, P280, P308+P313, P405, P501
Specific Target Organs/Systemic Toxicity Following Single Exposure	Category 1	H370	P260, P264, P270, P307+P311, P321, P405, P501
Specific Target Organs/Systemic Toxicity Following Repeated Exposure	Category 2	H373	P260, P314, P501
Oxidizing Solids	Category 2	H272	P210, P220, P221, P280, P370+P378, P501
Hazardous to the Aquatic Environment (Acute)	Category 1	H400	P273, P391, P501
Hazardous to the Aquatic Environment (Chronic)	Category 2	H411	P273, P391, P501

2.2. GHS Label Elements

Pictograms:



Signal Word: **Danger**

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Hazard Statements:

Hazard Number	Hazard Statement
H272	May intensify fire; oxidizer.
H301	Toxic if swallowed.
H315	Causes skin irritation.
H319	Causes serious eye irritation.
H341	Suspected of causing genetic defects.
H361	Suspected of damaging fertility or the unborn child.
H370	Causes damage to organs.
H373	May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.
H400	Very toxic to aquatic life.
H411	Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

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Precautionary Statements:

Precautionary Number	Precautionary Statement
P201	Obtain special instructions before use.
P202	Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.
P210	Keep away from heat, sparks and open flame. No smoking.
P220	Keep away from clothing and other combustible materials.
P221	Take any precaution to avoid mixing with combustibles.
P260	Do not breathe dust/fumes.
P264	Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling.
P270	Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
P273	Avoid release to the environment.
P280	Wear protective gloves and eye protection.
P301+P310	IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or physician.
P302+P352	IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.
P305+P351+P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to remove.
P307+P311	IF exposed: Call a POISON CENTER or physician.
P308+P313	IF exposed or concerned: Get medical attention.
P314	Get medical attention if you feel unwell.
P321	Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water).
P330	Rinse mouth.
P332+P313	If skin irritation occurs: Get medical attention.
P337+P313	If eye irritation persists: Get medical attention.
P362	Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.
P370+P378	In case of fire: Use dry chemical, foam or carbon dioxide to extinguish.
P391	Collect spillage.
P405	Store locked up.
P501	Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

2.4. Hazards not Otherwise Classified or Covered by GHS

Data not available.

SECTION 3: Composition / Information on Ingredients

3.1. Components of Substance or Mixture

Chemical Name	Formula	Molecular Weight	CAS Number	Weight%
Potassium Nitrite	KNO ₂	85.10 g/mol	7758-09-0	100.00

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SECTION 4: First-Aid Measures

4.1. General First Aid Information

Eye Contact: IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. May cause irritation, redness and pain; can lead to permanent damage if allowed to remain in contact with the eyes. Flush with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes.

Inhalation: Not expected to require first aid. If necessary, remove to fresh air.

Skin Contact: IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water. May cause irritation, redness and pain. May be absorbed through skin on prolonged exposure. Flush with water for at least 15 minutes.

Ingestion: IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or physician. Call a physician or poison control center immediately. Rinse mouth. Do not induce vomiting without advice from poison control center.

4.2. Most Important Symptoms and Effects, Acute and Delayed

Toxic if swallowed. Causes skin irritation. Causes serious eye irritation. Suspected of causing genetic defects. Suspected of damaging fertility or the unborn child. Causes damage to organs. May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure. Strong oxidizer. Contact with flammable materials may cause fire. Heat, shock, or contact with incompatible materials may cause explosion. Harmful if swallowed, inhaled, or absorbed through skin. Causes irritation to skin, eyes, and respiratory tract. Wash areas of contact with plenty of water. EYE CONTACT: May cause irritation, redness and pain; can lead to permanent damage if allowed to remain in contact with the eyes. SKIN CONTACT: May cause irritation, redness and pain. May be absorbed through skin on prolonged exposure.

4.3. Medical Attention or Special Treatment Needed

Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water).

SECTION 5: Fire-Fighting Measures

5.1. Extinguishing Media

In case of fire: Use dry chemical, foam or carbon dioxide to extinguish. Use water or water spray.

5.2. Specific Hazards Arising from the Substance or Mixture

May intensify fire; oxidizer. Not combustible, but substance is a strong oxidizer. Increases the flammability of any combustible material. Contact with oxidizable substances may cause extremely violent combustion. May explode when heated to 537°C (1000°F).

5.3. Special Protective Equipment for Firefighters

Wear full protective clothing and NIOSH-approved self-contained breathing apparatus with full facepiece operated in the pressure demand or other positive pressure mode.

SECTION 6: Accidental Release Measures

6.1. Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment and Emergency Procedures

Wear protective gloves and eye protection.

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6.2. Cleanup and Containment Methods and Materials

Collect solid for recovery or disposal, avoiding dust generation. Water may be used to reduce airborne dust and prevent scattering. Pick up spill for recovery or disposal and place in a closed container. Dispose of in accordance with local regulations.

SECTION 7: Handling and Storage

7.1. Precautions for Safe Handling and Storage Conditions

Store locked up. As with all chemicals, wash hands thoroughly after handling. Avoid contact with eyes and skin. Protect from physical damage. Keep in tightly closed containers in a cool, dry, well ventilated area. Empty containers may be hazardous since they retain product residues.

SECTION 8: Exposure Controls / Personal Protection

8.1 Control Parameters

Chemical Name	Limit Type	Country	Exposure Limit	Information Source
Data not available.				

8.2. Exposure Controls

Engineering Controls: No specific controls are needed. Normal room ventilation is adequate.

Respiratory Protection: A system of local or general exhaust is recommended. If necessary, wear a dust mask respirator to minimize exposure to dust particles.

Skin Protection: Wear protective gloves and eye protection. Chemical resistant gloves.

Eye Protection: Wear protective gloves and eye protection. Safety glasses or goggles.

8.3. Personal Protective Equipment

Wear protective gloves and eye protection. A system of local or general exhaust is recommended. If necessary, wear a dust mask respirator to minimize exposure to dust particles. Chemical resistant gloves. Safety glasses or goggles.



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SECTION 9: Physical and Chemical Properties

9.1. Basic Physical and Chemical Properties

Appearance: White or slightly yellow solid

Physical State: Solid

Odor: Data not available.

Odor Threshold: Data not available.

pH: Data not available.

Melting/Freezing Point: Data not available.

Initial Boiling Point/Range: Data not available.

Flash Point: Data not available.

Evaporation Rate: Data not available.

Flammability: Data not available.

Flammability/Explosive Limits: Data not available.

Vapor Pressure: Data not available.

Vapor Density: Data not available.

Relative Density: 1.92

Solubility: Data not available.

Partition Coefficient: Data not available.

Auto-Ignition Temperature: Data not available.

Decomposition Temperature: Data not available.

Viscosity: Data not available.

Explosive Properties: Data not available.

Oxidizing Properties: Data not available.

SECTION 10: Stability and Reactivity

10.1. Reactivity and Chemical Stability

Stable under normal conditions of use and storage.

10.2. Possibility of Hazardous Reactions

Data not available.

10.3. Conditions to Avoid and Incompatible Materials

Keep away from heat, sparks and open flame. No smoking. Keep away from clothing and other combustible materials. Take any precaution to avoid mixing with combustibles. Cyanides, Ammonium salts, Potassium Amide, Boron, combustible materials, reducing agents.

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10.4. Hazardous Decomposition Products

Will not occur.

SECTION 11: Toxicological Information

11.1. Information on Toxicological Effects

Acute Toxicity - Oral Exposure:

Toxic if swallowed. Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or physician. Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water). Rinse mouth. Store locked up. Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

Acute Toxicity - Dermal Exposure:

Not applicable.

Acute Toxicity - Inhalation Exposure:

Not applicable.

Acute Toxicity - Other Information:

LD50, Oral, Rabbit: 108 mg/kg, details of toxic effects not reported other than lethal dose value.

Skin Corrosion and Irritation:

Causes skin irritation. Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling. Wear protective gloves and eye protection. IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water. Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water). If skin irritation occurs: Get medical attention. Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.

Serious Eye Damage and Irritation:

Causes serious eye irritation. Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling. Wear protective gloves and eye protection. IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. If eye irritation persists: Get medical attention.

Respiratory Sensitization:

Not applicable.

Skin Sensitization:

Not applicable.

Germ Cell Mutagenicity:

Suspected of causing genetic defects. Obtain special instructions before use. Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Wear protective gloves and eye protection. IF exposed or concerned: Get medical attention. Store locked up. Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

Carcinogenicity:

Not applicable.

Reproductive Toxicity:

Suspected of damaging fertility or the unborn child. Obtain special instructions before use. Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Wear protective gloves and eye protection. IF exposed or concerned: Get medical attention. Store locked up. Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

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Specific Target Organ Toxicity from Single Exposure:

Causes damage to organs. Do not breathe dust/fumes. Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. IF exposed: Call a POISON CENTER or physician. Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water). Store locked up. Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

Specific Target Organ Toxicity from Repeated Exposure:

May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure. Do not breathe dust/fumes. Get medical attention if you feel unwell. Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

Aspiration Hazard:

Not applicable.

Additional Toxicology Information:

Data not available.

SECTION 12: Ecological Information

12.1. Ecotoxicity

Very toxic to aquatic life. Avoid release to the environment. Collect spillage. Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations. Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects. Avoid release to the environment. Collect spillage. Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

12.2. Persistence and Degradability

Data not available.

12.3. Bioaccumulative Potential

Data not available.

12.4. Mobility in Soil

Data not available.

12.5. Other Adverse Ecological Effects

Data not available.

SECTION 13: Disposal Considerations

13.1. Waste Treatment Methods

Data not available.



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SECTION 14: Transportation Information

14.1. Transportation by Land-Department of Transportation (DOT, United States of America)

Sizes: 100 g

UN Number: UN1488

Proper Shipping Name: Potassium Nitrite

Hazard Class: 5.1

Packing Group: II

Hazard Label(s):



14.2. Transportation by Air - International Air Transport Association (IATA)

Not regulated according to IATA Dangerous Goods Regulations.

14.3 Transportation of Dangerous Goods (TDG, Canada)

100 g

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SECTION 15: Regulatory Information

15.1. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Hazards

Not listed.

15.2. Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) 302 Extremely Hazardous Substances

Not listed.

15.3. Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) 311/312 Hazardous Chemicals

Not listed.

15.4. Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) 313 Toxic Release Inventory (TRI)

Not listed.

15.5. Massachusetts Right-to-Know Substance List

Not listed.

15.6. Pennsylvania Right-to-Know Hazardous Substances

Not listed.

15.7. New Jersey Worker and Community Right-to-Know Components

Potassium Nitrite (CAS # 7758-09-0): sn 1575

15.8. California Proposition 65

Not listed.

15.9. Canada Domestic Substances List / Non-Domestic Substances List (DSL/NDSL)

Potassium Nitrite (CAS # 7758-09-0): Present (DSL)

15.10. United States of America Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) List

Potassium Nitrite (CAS # 7758-09-0): Present

15.11. European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances (EINECS), European List of Notified Chemical Substances (ELINCS), and No Longer Polymers (NLP)

Potassium Nitrite (CAS # 7758-09-0): 231-832-4

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SECTION 16: Other Information

16.1. Full Text of Hazard Statements and Precautionary Statements

May intensify fire; oxidizer. Toxic if swallowed. Causes skin irritation. Causes serious eye irritation. Suspected of causing genetic defects. Suspected of causing damage to fertility or the unborn child. Causes damage to organs. May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure. Very toxic to aquatic life.

Obtain special instructions before use. Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Keep away from heat, sparks and open flame. No smoking. Keep away from clothing and other combustible materials. Take any precaution to avoid mixing with combustibles. Do not breathe dust/fumes. Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Avoid release to the environment. Wear protective gloves and eye protection.

IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or physician. IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water. IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. IF exposed: Call a POISON CENTER or physician. Get medical attention if you feel unwell. Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water). Rinse mouth. If skin irritation occurs: Get medical attention. If eye irritation persists: Get medical attention. Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse. In case of fire: Use dry chemical, foam or carbon dioxide to extinguish. Collect spillage.

Store locked up.

Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

16.2. Miscellaneous Hazard Classes

Canadian Carcinogenicity Hazard Class: Not Applicable.

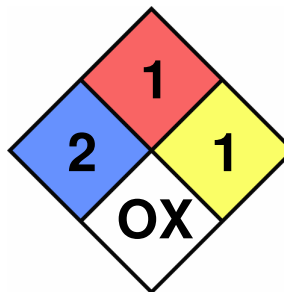
Physical Hazards Not Otherwise Classified (PHNOC): Not Applicable.

Health Hazards Not Otherwise Classified (HHNOC): Not Applicable.

Biohazardous Infectious Materials Hazard Class: Not Applicable.

16.3. National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Rating

Health:	2
Flammability:	1
Reactivity:	1
Special Hazard:	OX



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16.4. Document Revision

Last Revision Date: 2020-11-02

DISCLAIMER

When handled properly by qualified personnel, the product described herein does not present a significant health or safety hazard. Alteration of its characteristics by concentration, evaporation, addition of other substances, or other means may present hazards not specifically addressed herein and which must be evaluated by the user. The information furnished herein is believed to be accurate and represents the best data currently available to us. No warranty, expressed or implied, is made and RICCA CHEMICAL COMPANY assumes no legal responsibility or liability whatsoever resulting from its use.