



## Safety Data Sheet

Classified according to WHMIS 2015

### SECTION 1: Identification

#### 1.1. Product Identifier

**Trade Name or Designation:** Potassium Cyanide, 0.06 M

**Product Number:** R6039900

**Other Identifying Product Numbers:** R6039900-1B

#### 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

### 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 4	H302	P264, P270, P301+P312, P330, P501
Acute Toxicity - Dermal	Category 4	H312	P280, P302+P352, P312, P321, P362, P501
Acute Toxicity - Inhalation	Category 4	H332	P261, P271, P304+P340, P312
Hazardous to the Aquatic Environment (Acute)	Category 3	H402	P273, P501
Hazardous to the Aquatic Environment (Chronic)	Category 3	H412	P273, P501

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## 2.2. GHS Label Elements

Pictograms:



Signal Word: **Warning**

Hazard Statements:

Hazard Number	Hazard Statement
H302	Harmful if swallowed.
H312	Harmful in contact with skin.
H332	Harmful if inhaled.
H402	Harmful to aquatic life.
H412	Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Precautionary Statements:

Precautionary Number	Precautionary Statement
P261	Avoid breathing fumes, mist, vapors, or spray.
P264	Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling.
P270	Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
P271	Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.
P273	Avoid release to the environment.
P280	Wear protective gloves and eye protection.
P301+P312	IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or physician if you feel unwell.
P302+P352	IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.
P304+P340	IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.
P312	Call a POISON CENTER or physician if you feel unwell.
P321	Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water immediately).
P330	Rinse mouth.
P362	Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.
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.

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## SECTION 3: Composition / Information on Ingredients

### 3.1. Components of Substance or Mixture

Chemical Name	Formula	Molecular Weight	CAS Number	Weight%
Water	H <sub>2</sub> O	18.01 g/mol	7732-18-5	99.45
Potassium Cyanide	KCN	65.11 g/mol	151-50-8	0.39
Sodium Hydroxide	NaOH	39.99 g/mol	1310-73-2	0.16

## SECTION 4: First-Aid Measures

### 4.1. General First Aid Information

**Eye Contact:** May cause irritation, redness, pain, and tearing.

**Inhalation:** IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.

**Skin Contact:** IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water. Will pass through unbroken skin and enter the bloodstream. Large exposures can be fatal.

**Ingestion:** IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or physician if you feel unwell. Dilute immediately with water or milk. Induce vomiting. Call a physician.

### 4.2. Most Important Symptoms and Effects, Acute and Delayed

Harmful if swallowed. Harmful in contact with skin. Harmful if inhaled. DANGER! Poisonous. May be fatal if swallowed. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Do not pipet by mouth. If ingested, give large quantity of water and induce vomiting. Call a physician. Wash areas of contact with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. For eyes, get medical attention. Do not mix with acids. EYE CONTACT: May cause irritation, redness, pain, and tearing. SKIN CONTACT: Will pass through unbroken skin and enter the bloodstream. Large exposures can be fatal.

### 4.3. Medical Attention or Special Treatment Needed

Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water immediately). Irrigate immediately with large quantity of water for at least 15 minutes. Call a physician if irritation develops. Remove to fresh air. Give artificial respiration if necessary (Not by mouth). Flush with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Call a physician if irritation develops. Dilute immediately with water or milk. Induce vomiting. Call a physician. Available Cyanide antidotes are Hydroxocobalamin, Sodium Nitrite and Sodium Thiosulfate administered via intravenous (IV) infusion by qualified healthcare professionals.

## SECTION 5: Fire-Fighting Measures

### 5.1. Extinguishing Media

Use any means suitable for extinguishing surrounding fire.

### 5.2. Specific Hazards Arising from the Substance or Mixture

Not considered to be a fire or explosion hazard.



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### 5.3. Special Protective Equipment for Firefighters

Use protective clothing and NIOSH-approved breathing equipment appropriate for the surrounding fire.

## SECTION 6: Accidental Release Measures

### 6.1. Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment and Emergency Procedures

Wear protective gloves and eye protection.

### 6.2. Cleanup and Containment Methods and Materials

Absorb with suitable material and dispose of in accordance with local regulations.

## SECTION 7: Handling and Storage

### 7.1. Precautions for Safe Handling and Storage Conditions

As with all chemicals, wash hands thoroughly after handling. Avoid contact with eyes and skin. Protect from freezing and physical damage.

Refrigeration will help maintain the strength of this solution.

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## SECTION 8: Exposure Controls / Personal Protection

### 8.1 Control Parameters

Chemical Name	Limit Type	Country	Exposure Limit	Information Source
Sodium Hydroxide (1310-73-2)	TLV-Ceiling	USA	2 mg/m <sup>3</sup> Ceiling	ACGIH - Threshold Limit Values - Ceilings (TLV-C)
Sodium Hydroxide (1310-73-2)	TWA	USA	2 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA	U.S. - OSHA - Final PELs - Time Weighted Averages (TWAs)
Potassium Cyanide (151-50-8)	TWA	USA	"5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA (as CN)" As Cyanides [RR-00812-8]	U.S. - OSHA - Final PELs - Time Weighted Averages (TWAs)
Potassium Cyanide (151-50-8)	TLV-Ceiling	USA	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> Ceiling (as CN, listed under Hydrogen cyanide and cyanide salts)	ACGIH - Threshold Limit Values - Ceilings (TLV-C)
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### 8.2. Exposure Controls

**Engineering Controls:** Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area. No specific controls are needed. Normal room ventilation is adequate.

**Respiratory Protection:** Normal room ventilation is adequate.

**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. Normal room ventilation is adequate. 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:** Colorless liquid

**Physical State:** Liquid

**Odor:** Data not available.

**Odor Threshold:** Data not available.

**pH:** Alkaline

**Melting/Freezing Point:** 0°C

**Initial Boiling Point/Range:** 100°C - 100°C

**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:** 1.00

**Solubility:** Miscible

**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

Strong oxidizers, acids, acid salts, Peroxides. Contact with acids generates toxic Cyanide gas.

#### 10.4. Hazardous Decomposition Products

Will not occur.



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### SECTION 11: Toxicological Information

#### 11.1. Information on Toxicological Effects

**Acute Toxicity - Oral Exposure:**

Harmful if swallowed. Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or physician if you feel unwell. Rinse mouth. Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

**Acute Toxicity - Dermal Exposure:**

Harmful in contact with skin. Wear protective gloves and eye protection. IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water. Call a POISON CENTER or physician if you feel unwell. Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water immediately). Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse. Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

**Acute Toxicity - Inhalation Exposure:**

Harmful if inhaled. Avoid breathing fumes, mist, vapors, or spray. Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area. IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Call a POISON CENTER or physician if you feel unwell.

**Acute Toxicity - Other Information:**

LD50, Oral, Rat: 5 mg/kg (Potassium Cyanide), details of toxic effects not reported other than lethal dose value.

**Skin Corrosion and Irritation:**

Not applicable.

**Serious Eye Damage and Irritation:**

Not applicable.

**Respiratory Sensitization:**

Not applicable.

**Skin Sensitization:**

Not applicable.

**Germ Cell Mutagenicity:**

Not applicable.

**Carcinogenicity:**

Not applicable.

**Reproductive Toxicity:**

Not applicable.

**Specific Target Organ Toxicity from Single Exposure:**

Not applicable.

**Specific Target Organ Toxicity from Repeated Exposure:**

Not applicable.

**Aspiration Hazard:**

Not applicable.

**Additional Toxicology Information:**

Data not available.



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### SECTION 12: Ecological Information

#### 12.1. Ecotoxicity

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

### SECTION 14: Transportation Information

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

Not regulated according to DOT Regulations.



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### 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)

Not regulated according to TDG Regulations.

## 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

Potassium Cyanide (CAS # 151-50-8): 10 lb EPCRA RQ

Potassium Cyanide (CAS # 151-50-8): 100 lb TPQ (this material is a reactive solid, the TPQ does not default to 10000 pounds for non-powder, non-molten, non-solution form)

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

Sodium Hydroxide (CAS # 1310-73-2): 1000 lb final RQ; 454 kg final RQ

Potassium Cyanide (CAS # 151-50-8): "10 lb final RQ; 4.54 kg final RQ" As F019-Hazardous wastes [RR-00647-3]

Potassium Cyanide (CAS # 151-50-8): 10 lb final RQ; 4.54 kg final RQ

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

Potassium Cyanide (CAS # 151-50-8): "1.0 % de minimis concentration (X+CN- where X=H+ or any other group where a formal dissociation can be made, for example, KCN or Ca(CN)<sub>2</sub>, listed under Chemical Category N106)" As Cyanide compounds [RR-00812-8]

Potassium Cyanide (CAS # 151-50-8): 1.0 % de minimis concentration (X+CN- where X=H+ or any other group where a formal dissociation can be made, for example, KCN or Ca(CN)<sub>2</sub>, listed under Chemical Category N106)

### 15.5. Massachusetts Right-to-Know Substance List

Sodium Hydroxide (CAS # 1310-73-2): Present

Potassium Cyanide (CAS # 151-50-8): Extraordinarily hazardous

Potassium Cyanide (CAS # 151-50-8): Present

### 15.6. Pennsylvania Right-to-Know Hazardous Substances

Sodium Hydroxide (CAS # 1310-73-2): Environmental hazard

Sodium Hydroxide (CAS # 1310-73-2): Present

Potassium Cyanide (CAS # 151-50-8): "Environmental hazard" As Cyanide compounds [RR-00812-8]

Potassium Cyanide (CAS # 151-50-8): "Present" As Cyanide compounds [RR-00812-8]

Potassium Cyanide (CAS # 151-50-8): Environmental hazard

Potassium Cyanide (CAS # 151-50-8): Present

Potassium Cyanide (CAS # 151-50-8): Present (listed under Cyanide)

Water (CAS # 7732-18-5): "Present" As Ethyl alcohol and water [RR-00802-6]

Water (CAS # 7732-18-5): Present

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

Sodium Hydroxide (CAS # 1310-73-2): corrosive

Sodium Hydroxide (CAS # 1310-73-2): sn 1706

Potassium Cyanide (CAS # 151-50-8): "SN 2308 500 lb TPQ (Category Code N106. Includes any unique chemical substance that contains the named metal as part of that chemical structure)" As Cyanide compounds [RR-00812-8]

Potassium Cyanide (CAS # 151-50-8): "sn 2308" As Cyanide compounds [RR-00812-8]

Potassium Cyanide (CAS # 151-50-8): sn 0553 (listed under Cyanide)

Potassium Cyanide (CAS # 151-50-8): SN 0553 500 lb TPQ

Potassium Cyanide (CAS # 151-50-8): sn 1562

Potassium Cyanide (CAS # 151-50-8): SN 1562 100 lb TPQ

Potassium Cyanide (CAS # 151-50-8): sn 2308

Potassium Cyanide (CAS # 151-50-8): SN 2308 500 lb TPQ (Category Code N106. Includes any unique chemical substance that contains the named metal as part of that chemical structure)

### 15.8. California Proposition 65

Potassium Cyanide (CAS # 151-50-8): "male reproductive toxicity, 7/5/13" As Hydrogen cyanide salts [RR-04817-9]

Potassium Cyanide (CAS # 151-50-8): male reproductive toxicity, 7/5/13

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

Sodium Hydroxide (CAS # 1310-73-2): Present (DSL)

Potassium Cyanide (CAS # 151-50-8): Present (DSL)

Water (CAS # 7732-18-5): Present (DSL)

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

All components of this solution are listed as active on the TSCA Inventory or are mixtures (hydrates) of active items listed on the TSCA Inventory.

Sodium Hydroxide (CAS # 1310-73-2): Present (ACTIVE)

Potassium Cyanide (CAS # 151-50-8): Present (ACTIVE)

Water (CAS # 7732-18-5): Present (ACTIVE)

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

Sodium Hydroxide (CAS # 1310-73-2): 215-185-5

Potassium Cyanide (CAS # 151-50-8): 205-792-3

Water (CAS # 7732-18-5): 231-791-2

## SECTION 16: Other Information

### 16.1. Full Text of Hazard Statements and Precautionary Statements

Harmful if swallowed. Harmful in contact with skin. Harmful if inhaled. Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Avoid breathing fumes, mist, vapors, or spray. Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area. Avoid release to the environment. Wear protective gloves and eye protection.

IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or physician if you feel unwell. IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water. IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water immediately). Rinse mouth. Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.

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.

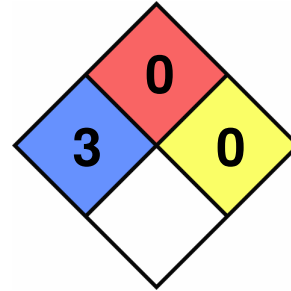
**Biohazardous Infectious Materials Hazard Class:** Not Applicable.



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### 16.3. National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Rating

Health: 3  
Flammability: 0  
Reactivity: 0  
Special Hazard:



### 16.4. Document Revision

Last Revision Date: 2024-09-10

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