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SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

Product identifier used on the label

: Potassium chloride

Product Code(s) : Muriate of Potash

Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use

Fertilizer, horticultural chemical. Use pattern: professional use

Recommended restrictions: None known.

Chemical family : Inorganic fertilizer

Name, address, and telephone number of the manufacturer:

Plant Products Inc.

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Name, address, and telephone number of the supplier:

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Supplier's Telephone #: 519-326-9037 (Monday - Friday, 8:00 am - 5:00 pm, Eastern Standard Time)

24 Hr. Emergency Tel # : CANUTEC: 1-888-CANUTEC (1-888-226-8832)

SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Classification of the chemical

Appearance: Solid: white - reddish brown; granular - crystalline

Odour: Odourless.

This material is not classified as hazardous under U.S. OSHA regulations (29CFR 1910.1200) (Hazcom 2012) and Canadian WHMIS regulations (Hazardous Products Regulations) (WHMIS 2015).

Label elements

Signal Word

Not applicable.

Hazard statement(s)

Not applicable.

Precautionary statement(s)

Not applicable.



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Other hazards

No OSHA defined hazard classes.

Other hazards which do not result in classification:

Toxic fumes, gases or vapours may evolve on burning.

Solutions may be corrosive to metals.

Product dust may be irritating to eyes, skin and respiratory system.

Ingestion may cause gastrointestinal irritation, nausea, vomiting and diarrhea.

Prolonged inhalation may cause susceptibility to respiratory illness from continued irritation.

Chronic skin contact with low concentrations may cause dermatitis.

Ecological information:

Not expected to be harmful to aquatic organisms. Avoid release to the environment.

See Section 12 for more environmental information.

SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Mixture

Chemical name	Common name and synonyms	CAS#	Concentration (% by weight)
Potassium chloride	Potassium muriate	7447-40-7	95.0 - 99.5
Sodium chloride	Salt	7647-14-5	0.3 - 3.7

No ingredients listed are considered hazardous according to OSHA HazCom2012 or WHMIS 2015.

SECTION 4. FIRST-AID MEASURES

Description of first aid measures

Ingestion : Rinse mouth thoroughly. Do NOT induce vomiting. Never give anything by mouth to

an unconscious person. Get medical advice/attention if you feel unwell.

Inhalation Remove exposed person to fresh air immediately. If breathing has stopped, give

artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen by qualified medical personnel

only. Get medical advice/attention if you feel unwell.

Skin contact : Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Remove and wash contaminated clothing

before re-use. Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists.

: Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 Eye contact

minutes.Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists.

Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Product dust may be irritating to eyes, skin and respiratory system.

Direct contact with eyes may cause temporary irritation. Symptoms may include tearing, redness and discomfort.

Direct skin contact may cause temporary redness. Symptoms may include redness, itching and swelling. Ingestion may cause gastrointestinal irritation, nausea, vomiting

and diarrhea.

Inhalation of dusts may cause respiratory irritation. May cause coughing and breathing

difficulties.

Prolonged inhalation may cause susceptibility to respiratory illness from continued

irritation

Chronic skin contact with low concentrations may cause dermatitis.

Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

: Provide general supportive measures and treat symptomatically.



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SECTION 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media

: Use media suitable for the surrounding area.

Unsuitable extinguishing media

: Do not use a solid water stream as it may scatter and spread fire.

Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture / Conditions of flammability

: Not considered flammable. Toxic fumes, gases or vapours may evolve on burning. This product may form a corrosive fog, if involved in a fire. Closed containers may rupture if exposed to excess heat or flame due to a build-up of internal pressure.

Flammability classification (OSHA 29 CFR 1910.106)

: Not flammable.

Hazardous combustion products

: Hydrogen chloride gas, Chlorine, Dipotassium oxide, Other irritating fumes and smoke.

Special protective equipment and precautions for firefighters

Protective equipment for fire-fighters

: Firefighters must use standard protective equipment including flame retardant coat, helmet with face shield, gloves, rubber boots, and in enclosed spaces, SCBA. Firefighters should wear proper protective equipment and self-contained breathing apparatus with full face piece operated in positive pressure mode.

Special fire-fighting procedures

Move containers from fire area if safe to do so. Cool closed containers exposed to fire with water spray. Do not allow run-off from fire fighting to enter drains or water courses. Dike for water control.

SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

: Restrict access to area until completion of clean-up. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. All persons dealing with the clean-up should wear the appropriate chemically protective equipment. Refer to protective measures listed in sections 7 and 8

Environmental precautions

: Keep material, as well as water from fire-fighting efforts, from entering streams, drains and other water systems.

Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

: Ventilate the area. Remove all sources of ignition. Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Vacuum or sweep up spilled material using a method that does not generate airbourne dust. Place in clean, dry and labeled containers. Clean surface thoroughly to remove residual contamination. After cleaning, flush away traces with water. Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system. Refer to Section 13 for disposal of contaminated material. Contact the proper local authorities.

Special spill response procedures

For 24-hour emergency assistance, call: 1-613-996-6666 (CANUTEC). If a spill/release in excess of the EPA reportable quantity is made into the environment, immediately notify the national response center in the United States (phone: 1-800-424-8802).

EPA/CERCLA Reportable quantity (RQ): None known.



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SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Precautions for safe handling

: Avoid dust formation. Use in a well-ventilated area. Avoid breathing dust. Wear appropriate protective equipment. Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Wash hands thoroughly after handling. Keep away from incompatibles. Solutions may be corrosive to metals. Keep away from extreme heat and flame. Keep containers closed when not in use. Empty containers retain residue and can be dangerous.

Conditions for safe storage :

Store in a cool, dry, well ventilated area. Store away from incompatible materials. Keep containers dry and tightly closed to avoid moisture absorption and contamination. Material is hygroscopic and may absorb moisture from air. Solutions may be corrosive to metals. Keep away from heat and sources of ignition. Containers which are opened must be carefully resealed and kept upright to prevent leakage. Storage area should be clearly identified, clear of obstruction and accessible only to trained and authorized personnel. No smoking. Inspect periodically for damage or leaks. Have appropriate fire extinguishers and spill clean-up equipment in or near storage area.

Incompatible materials

: Acids, Nitrogen compounds, Bromine trifluoride, potassium permanganate.

SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

Exposure Limits:						
Chemical Name	ACGIH TLV OSHA PEL					
	<u>TWA</u>	STEL	<u>PEL</u>	<u>STEL</u>		
Potassium chloride	N/Av	N/Av	N/Av	N/Av		
Sodium chloride	N/Av	N/Av	N/Av	N/Av		

Exposure controls

Skin protection

Ventilation and engineering measures

: Use only in well-ventilated areas. Apply technical measures to comply with the occupational exposure limits. Where reasonably practicable this should be achieved by the use of local exhaust ventilation and good general extraction. In case of insufficient ventilation wear suitable respiratory equipment.

Respiratory protection

If engineering controls and work practices are not effective in controlling exposure to this material, then wear suitable approved respiratory protection. Use a NIOSH approved dust respirator if dust levels exceed exposure limits. Respirators should be selected based on the form and concentration of contaminants in air, and in accordance with OSHA (29 CFR 1910.134) or CSA Z94.4-02. Advice should be sought

from respiratory protection specialists.

: Wear protective gloves. The suitability for a specific workplace should be discussed

with the producers of the protective gloves.

Chemical goggles should be worn if there is a potential for exposure to particles which Eye / face protection

could cause eye contact or injury.

Emergency showers and eyewash facilities should be nearby. Other equipment may Other protective equipment :

be required depending on workplace standards.

General hygiene considerations

: Avoid breathing dust. Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Wash hands thoroughly after using this product, and before eating, drinking or smoking. Remove and wash contaminated clothing before re-use. Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.



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SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance : Solid: white - reddish brown; granular - crystalline

Odour : Odourless.
Odour threshold : N/Ap

pH : 5.4-10.0 (5% solution)

Melting/Freezing point : 1423-1428°F / 772-776°C Melting point

Initial boiling point and boiling range

: 2732°F / 1500°C Sublimes

Flash point : N/Ap
Flashpoint (Method) : N/Ap
Evaporation rate (BuAe = 1) : N/Ap

Flammability (solid, gas) : Not considered flammable.

Lower flammable limit (% by vol.)

: N/Ap

Upper flammable limit (% by vol.)

: N/Ap

Oxidizing properties : None known.

Explosive properties : Not explosive

Vapour pressure : N/Ap Vapour density : N/Ap

Relative density / Specific gravity

: 1.986-1.990

Solubility in water : Soluble $(34.2 \text{ g/}100 \text{ mL}@68^{\circ}\text{F} (20^{\circ}\text{C}))$

Other solubility(ies) : N/Av

Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water or Coefficient of water/oil distribution

: N/Av

Auto-ignition temperature : N/Ap
Decomposition temperature : N/Av
Viscosity : N/Av
Volatiles (% by weight) : N/Ap
Volatile organic Compounds (VOC's)

: N/Ap

Absolute pressure of container

: N/Ap

Flame projection length : N/Ap Other physical/chemical comments

: Not sensitive to static discharge or mechanical impact under normal conditions of use and handling.

SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity: Not normally reactive. Solutions may be corrosive to metals.

Chemical stability : Stable under normal conditions. Material is hygroscopic and may absorb moisture from

aır.

Possibility of hazardous reactions

: Hazardous polymerization does not occur. No dangerous reaction known under

conditions of normal use.

Conditions to avoid: Moisture. High humidity. Extreme heat.

Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Avoid contact with

incompatible materials.

Incompatible materials : Acids, Nitrogen compounds, Bromine trifluoride, potassium permanganate.



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Hazardous decomposition products

: Hydrogen chloride gas, Chlorine, Dipotassium oxide.

SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Information on likely routes of exposure:

: NO

Potential Health Effects:

Signs and symptoms of short-term (acute) exposure

Sign and symptoms Inhalation

: Inhalation of dusts may cause respiratory irritation. May cause coughing and breathing

difficulties.

Sign and symptoms ingestion

: Ingestion may cause gastrointestinal irritation, nausea, vomiting and diarrhea.

Sign and symptoms skin

: Direct skin contact may cause temporary redness. Symptoms may include redness,

itching and swelling.

Sign and symptoms eyes

Direct eye contact may cause irritation. Symptoms may include redness, itching and

swelling

Potential Chronic Health Effects

: Prolonged inhalation may cause susceptibility to respiratory illness from continued

irritation. Chronic skin contact with low concentrations may cause dermatitis.

Mutagenicity: Not expected to be mutagenic in humans.

Carcinogenicity : No component of this product present at levels greater than, or equal to, 0.1% is

identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by ACGIH, IARC, OSHA, or NTP.

Reproductive effects & Teratogenicity

: Not expected to cause reproductive effects.

Sensitization to material: Not expected to be a skin or respiratory sensitizer.

Specific target organ effects: Not classified as a specific target organ toxicity-single exposure.

Not classified as specific target organ toxicity-repeated exposure.

Medical conditions aggravated by overexposure

: Pre-existing skin, eye and respiratory disorders.

Synergistic materials : No information available.

Toxicological data : Not classified for acute toxicity based on available data. See below for toxicological

data on the substance.

	LC50(4hr)	LDe	50
Chemical name	inh, rat	(Oral, rat)	(Rabbit, dermal)
Potassium chloride	N/Av	3020 mg/kg	N/Av
Sodium chloride	>10.5 mg/L (dust)	3000 mg/kg	>10000mg/kg

Other important toxicological hazards

: None reported by the manufacturer.



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SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity

: Not expected to be harmful to aquatic organisms. The product should not be allowed to enter drains or water courses, or be deposited where it can affect ground or surface waters. See the following tables for the substance's ecotoxicity data.

Ecotoxicity data:

<u>Ingredients</u>	040 N-	Toxicity to Fish				
	CAS No	LC50 / 96h	NOEC / 21 day	M Factor		
Potassium chloride	7447-40-7	880mg/L Fathead minnow	N/Av	None.		
Sodium chloride	7647-14-5	5480mg/L Bluegill sunfish	252 mg/L (33 days) Fathead minnow	None.		

<u>Ingredients</u>	CAS No	Toxicity to Daphnia				
		EC50 / 48h	NOEC / 21 day	M Factor		
Potassium chloride	7447-40-7	177mg/L Daphnia magna (Water flea)	130 mg/L	None.		
Sodium chloride	7647-14-5	4136mg/L Daphnia magna (Water flea)	314mg/L Daphnia pulex (Water flea)	None.		

<u>Ingredients</u>	CAS No	То		
		EC50 / 96h or 72h	NOEC / 96h or 72h	M Factor
Potassium chloride	7447-40-7	>100mg/L (Green algae)	>100 mg/L	None.
Sodium chloride	7647-14-5	N/Av	N/Av	N/Av

Persistence and degradability

: Biodegradation is not applicable to inorganic substances.

Bioaccumulation potential

Not expected to bioaccumulate.

See the following data for ingredient information.

<u>Components</u>	Partition coefficient n-octanol/water (log Kow)	Bioconcentration factor (BCF)
Potassium chloride (CAS 7447-40-7)	-0.46 (calculated)	N/Av
Sodium chloride (CAS 7647-14-5)	N/Ap	N/Ap

Mobility in soil

: There is no data available for this product.

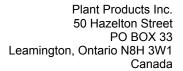
Other Adverse Environmental effects

: No other adverse environmental effects (e.g. ozone depletion, photochemical ozone creation potential, endocrine disruption, global warming potential) are expected from this component.

SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Handling for Disposal

: Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Since emptied containers may retain product residue, follow label warnings even after container is emptied. Refer to protective measures listed in sections 7 and 8.





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Methods of Disposal

: Dispose in accordance with all applicable federal, state, provincial and local

regulations.

RCRA

: If this product, as supplied, becomes a waste in the United States, it may meet the criteria of a hazardous waste as defined under RCRA, Title 40 CFR 261. It is the responsibility of the waste generator to determine the proper waste identification and disposal method. For disposal of unused or waste material, check with local, state and federal environmental agencies.

SECTION 14. TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION								
Regulatory Information	UN Number	UN proper shipping name	Transport hazard class(es)	Packing Group	Label			
49CFR/DOT	None.	Not regulated.	not regulated	none	\bigotimes			
49CFR/DOT Additional information	None.							
TDG	None.	Not regulated.	not regulated	none	\bigotimes			
TDG Additional information	None.							

Special precautions for user : Keep away from extreme heat and flame. Appropriate advice on safety must

accompany the package.

Environmental hazards

This substance does not meet the criteria for an environmentally hazardous

substance according to the IMDG Code. See ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION, Section

Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code

: This information is not available.

SECTION 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION

US Federal Information:

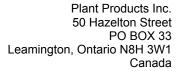
Components listed below are present on the following U.S. Federal chemical lists:

<u>Ingredients</u> CA	0.10 #	TSCA	CERCLA Reportable	SARA TITLE III: Sec. 302, Extremely	SARA TITLE III: Sec. 313, 40 CFR 372, Specific Toxic Chemical		
	CAS#	Inventory	Quantity(RQ) (40 CFR 117.302):	Hazardous Substance, 40 CFR 355:	Toxic Chemical	de minimus Concentration	
Potassium chloride	7447-40-7	Yes	N/Ap	N/Ap	No	N/Ap	
Sodium chloride	7647-14-5	Yes	N/Ap	N/Ap	No	N/Ap	

SARA TITLE III: Sec. 311 and 312, SDS Requirements, 40 CFR 370 Hazard Classes: None.

US State Right to Know Laws:

The following chemicals are specifically listed by individual States:





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<u>Ingredients</u>	CAS#	California Proposition 65		State "Right to Know" Lists					
		Listed	Type of Toxicity	CA	MA	MN	NJ	PA	RI
Potassium chloride	7447-40-7	No	N/Ap	No	No	No	No	No	No
Sodium chloride	7647-14-5	No	N/Ap	No	No	No	No	No	No

Canadian Information:

Canadian Environmental Protection Act (CEPA) information: All ingredients listed appear on the Domestic Substances List (DSL).

WHMIS information: Refer to Section 2 for a WHMIS Classification for this product.

International Information:

Components listed below are present on the following International Inventory list:

Ingredients	CAS#	European EINECs	Australia AICS	Philippines PICCS	Japan ENCS	Korea KECI/KECL	China IECSC	NewZealand IOC
Potassium chloride	7447-40-7	231-211-8	Present	Present	(1)-228	KE-29086	Present	HSR003261
Sodium chloride	7647-14-5	231-598-3	Present	Present	(1)-236	KE-31387	Present	HSR002722

SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION

Legend : ACGIH: American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

AICS: Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances

CA: California

CAS: Chemical Abstract Services

CERCLA: Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act

of 1980

CFR: Code of Federal Regulations CSA: Canadian Standards Association EC50: Effective Concentration 50%.

EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial chemical Substances

ENCS: Existing and New Chemical Substances

EPA: Environmental Protection Agency

IECSC: Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances

Inh: Inhalation

IOC: Inventory of Chemicals

KECI: Korean Existing Chemicals Inventory KECL: Korean Existing Chemicals List

LC: Lethal Concentration

LD: Lethal Dose
MA: Massachusetts
MN: Minnesota
N/Ap: Not Applicable
N/Av: Not Available

NIOSH: National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health

NJ: New Jersey

NOEC: No observable effect concentration

NTP: National Toxicology Program

OSHA: Occupational Safety and Health Administration

PA: Pennsylvania

PEL: Permissible exposure limit



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PICCS: Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances

RCRA: Resource Conservation and Recovery Act

RI: Rhode Island

SARA: Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act SDS: Safety Data Sheet / MSDS: Material Safety Data Sheet

STEL: Short Term Exposure Limit

TDG: Canadian Transportation of Dangerous Goods Act & Regulations

TLV: Threshold Limit Values TSCA: Toxic Substance Control Act TWA: Time Weighted Average

WHMIS: Workplace Hazardous Materials Identification System

1. ACGIH Documentation of the Threshold Limit Values and Biological Exposure

Indices (2015)

2. Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety, CCInfoWeb Databases, 2016

(Chempendium, RTECs, HSDB, INCHEM).

3. IARC Monographs. Overall Evaluation of Carcinogenicity

4. OECD - The Global Portal to Information on Chemical Substances - eChemPortal,

2016.

5. US EPA Title III List of Lists: March2015 Version 6. California Proposition 65 List: April 22, 2016 Version

7. European Chemicals Agency, Classification Legislation, 2015

8. Material Safety Data Sheet from manufacturer.

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Other special considerations for handling

: Provide adequate information, instruction and training for operators.

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