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SECTION 1: Identification

1.1. Product Identifier

Trade Name or Designation Potassium Nitrate, ACS Reagent Grade

Product Number RDCP0590

Other Identifying Product Numbers RDCP0590-2.5A5, RDCP0590-500B1

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 412 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

Hazard Class	Category	Hazard Statements	Precautionary Statements
Oxidizing Solids	Category 3	H272	P210,P220,P280,P370+P378,P501

2.2. GHS Label Elements

Pictograms:



Signal Word: **Warning**

Hazard Statements:

NOTE: Hazard statements may be combined on labels to improve clarity and readability.

Hazard Number	Hazard Statement
H272	May intensify fire; oxidizer

Precautionary Statements:

NOTE: Precautionary statements may be combined or consolidated on labels to improve clarity and readability.

Prevention

Precautionary Number	Precautionary Statement
P210	Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking.
P220	Keep away from clothing and other combustible materials.
P280	Wear protective gloves and eye protection.

Response

Precautionary Number	Precautionary Statement
P370+P378	In case of fire: Use dry chemical, foam, or carbon dioxide to extinguish.

Disposal

Precautionary Number	Precautionary Statement
P501	Dispose of contents/container to suitable waste stream in accordance with local, state, federal, and international regulations.

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2.3. Hazards not Otherwise Classified

No other hazards identified.

2.4. Ingredients of Unknown Acute Toxicity

SECTION 3: Composition / Information on Ingredients

3.1. Components of Substance

Chemical Name (IUPAC)	Common Name and Synonyms	CAS Number	Weight%
potassium nitrate	Potassium Nitrate; Nitric acid potassium salt (1:1)	7757-79-1	100.00

SECTION 4: First-Aid Measures

4.1. Description of Necessary Measures

Eye Contact: Causes severe irritation, redness, pain, tearing and burns.

Ingestion: Dilute immediately with water or milk. Induce vomiting. Call a physician.

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

Skin Contact: Causes irritation to skin, symptoms include redness, itching, and pain.

4.2. Most Important Symptoms and Effects, Acute and Delayed

DANGER! Strong oxidizer. Contact with other material may cause fire. Harmful if swallowed, inhaled or absorbed through skin. Causes irritation to eyes, skin, and respiratory tract. Wash areas of contact with water. EYE CONTACT: Causes severe irritation, redness, pain, tearing and burns. SKIN CONTACT: Causes irritation to skin, symptoms include redness, itching, and pain. CHRONIC EFFECTS / CARCINOGENICITY: Prolonged exposures can lead to methemoglobinemia (decrease in blood's oxygen-carrying capabilities).

4.3. Immediate Medical Attention or Special Treatment Needed

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. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. 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.

SECTION 5: Fire-Fighting Measures

5.1. Extinguishing Media

In case of fire: Use dry chemical, foam, or carbon dioxide to extinguish. Use any means suitable for extinguishing surrounding fire (Water, water spray, foam, or dry chemical). If using water, do not allow water run off to enter sewer.

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5.2. Specific Hazards Arising from the Substance or Mixture in a Fire

May intensify fire; oxidizer Substance is an oxidizer and its heat of reaction with reducing agents or combustibles may cause ignition.

5.3. Special Protective Equipment and Precautions 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

Ventilate area of leak or spill. Pick up and place in a suitable container for reclamation or disposal, using a method that does not generate dust.

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.

SECTION 8: Exposure Controls / Personal Protection

8.1. Exposure Limits



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U.S. OSHA - Permissible Exposure Limits (PEL) - Time Weighted Averages (TWA)

No limits found.

U.S. OSHA - Permissible Exposure Limits (PEL) - Ceiling Limits

No limits found.

U.S. OSHA - Permissible Exposure Limits (PEL) - Short Term Exposure Limits (STEL)

No limits found.

U.S. OSHA - Specifically Regulated Chemicals

No limits found.

ACGIH - Threshold Limit Values - Ceilings (TLV-C)

No limits found.

ACGIH - Threshold Limit Values - Short Term Exposure Limits (TLV-STEL)

No limits found.

ACGIH - Threshold Limit Values - Time Weighted Averages (TLV-TWA)

No limits found.

8.2. Engineering Controls

No specific controls are needed. Normal room ventilation is adequate.

8.3. Individual Protective Measures and Personal Protective Equipment

Respiratory Protection: Normal room ventilation is adequate.

Skin Protection: Chemical resistant gloves.

Eye Protection: Safety glasses or goggles.

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SECTION 9: Physical and Chemical Properties

9.1. Basic Physical and Chemical Properties

Physical State:	solid
Color:	Colorless/white
Odor:	Data not available.
Odor Threshold:	Data not available.
Melting/Freezing Point:	334°C
Boiling Point/Range:	Approximately 400°C
Flammability:	Data not available.
Flammability/Explosive Limits:	Data not available.
Flash Point:	Data not available.
Auto-Ignition Temperature:	Data not available.
Decomposition Temperature:	Data not available.
pH:	5.50 - 6.70
Kinematic Viscosity:	Data not available.
Solubility:	Data not available.
Vapor Pressure:	Data not available.
Evaporation Rate:	Data not available.
Relative Density:	2.11
Relative Vapor Density:	Data not available.
Particle Characteristics:	Data not available.
Partition Coefficient n-octanol/water, log	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, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking. Keep away from clothing and other combustible materials. Heavy metals, phosphites, organic compounds, carbonaceous materials, strong acids, and many other substances.

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:

Not acutely toxic.

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Toxicity
Potassium Nitrate	7757-79-1	Oral LD50 Rat >2000 mg/kg (no deaths occurred, Source: ECHA)

Acute Toxicity - Dermal Exposure:

Not acutely toxic.

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Toxicity
Potassium Nitrate	7757-79-1	Dermal LD50 Rat >5000 mg/kg (no deaths occurred, Source: ECHA)

Acute Toxicity - Inhalation Exposure:

Not acutely toxic.

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Toxicity
Potassium Nitrate	7757-79-1	Inhalation LC50 Rat >0.527 mg/L 4 h (no deaths occurred, dust, Source: ECHA_API)

11.2 Carcinogenicity:

International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC)

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Classification
		No data found.

National Toxicology Program (NTP)

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Classification
		No data found.

U.S. OSHA specifically regulated carcinogens

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Classification
		No data found.

11.3 Additional Toxicology Information:

Data not available.

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SECTION 12: Ecological Information

12.1. Ecotoxicity

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Species	Exposure	Toxicity
	No data found.	None	None	

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)

Sizes: 2.5 K, 500 g

UN Number: UN1486

Proper Shipping Name: Potassium Nitrate

Hazard Class: 5.1

Packing Group: III

Hazard Label(s):



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

Sizes: 2.5 K, 500 g

UN Number: UN1486

Proper Shipping Name: Potassium Nitrate

Hazard Class: 5.1

Packing Group: III

Hazard Label(s):



14.3 Transportation of Dangerous Goods (TDG, Canada)

Sizes: 2.5 K, 500 g

UN Number: UN1486

Proper Shipping Name: POTASSIUM NITRATE

Hazard Class: 5.1

Packing Group: III

Hazard Label(s):



SECTION 15: Regulatory Information

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15.01. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Hazards

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Regulatory Information
No data found.		

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

Chemical Name	CAS Number	RQ
No data found.		

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

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Regulatory Information
No data found.		

15.04. Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) 313 Toxics Release Inventory (TRI)

Chemical Name	CAS Number	List	Regulatory Information
Potassium Nitrate	7757-79-1	Emission Reporting	"1.0 % de minimis concentration (reportable only when in aqueous solution, listed under Chemical Category N511)" As Nitrate compounds, water dissociable [RR-03804-0]

15.05. Massachusetts Right-to-Know Substance List

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Regulatory Information
Potassium Nitrate	7757-79-1	Present

15.06. Pennsylvania Right-to-Know Hazardous Substances

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Regulatory Information
Potassium Nitrate	7757-79-1	Present

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

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Regulatory Information
Potassium Nitrate	7757-79-1	sn 1574

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15.08. California Proposition 65

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Regulatory Information
No data found.		

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

Chemical Name	CAS Number	List	Status
Potassium Nitrate	7757-79-1	DSL	Present

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

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Status
Potassium Nitrate	7757-79-1	Present (ACTIVE)

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

Chemical Name	CAS Number	List	Number
Potassium Nitrate	7757-79-1	EINECS	231-818-8

15.12. China - Inventory of Existing chemical Substances (IECSC)

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Status
Potassium Nitrate	7757-79-1	Present [35600]

15.13. Korea - Existing Chemicals Inventory (KECI/KECL)

Chemical Name	CAS Number	List	Status
Potassium Nitrate	7757-79-1	Annex 1	Present [KE-29163]

15.14. Japan - Existing and New Chemical Substances Inventory (ENCS)

Chemical Name	CAS Number	MITI No.
Potassium Nitrate	7757-79-1	(1)-449

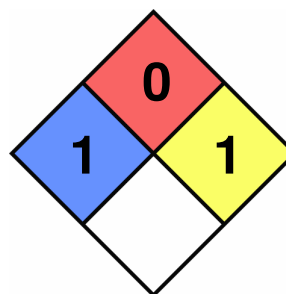
SECTION 16: Other Information

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16.1 National Fire Protection Associate (NFPA) Rating

Health: 1
Flammability: 0
Reactivity 1
Special Hazard:



16.2 Document Revision

Last Revision Date:
2026-05-24

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