

# POTASSIUM SORBATE

## Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS)

### 1. PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION

Product Name: potassium sorbate  
INCI Name: potassium sorbate  
Chemical Name: 2,4-Hexadienoic Acid  
CAS Number: 24634-61-5  
EINECS Number: 246-376-1  
Origin: synthetic

Eye Contact: No adverse effects expected.  
Skin Contact: No adverse effects expected.  
Ingestion: No adverse effects expected.  
Chronic Exposure: No information found.

### 2. PHYSICAL & CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Melting Point: 270°C (518°F)  
Boiling Point: not determined  
Density: not determined  
% Volatile by Volume: 0 (at 21°C)  
Specific Gravity: 1.363 (at 20°C)  
Solubility in water: easily soluble  
pH Value: not determined  
Appearance & Odor: white crystalline powder, odorless

### 8. FIRST AID MEASURES

Eyes: Irrigate eyes with a heavy stream of water for at least 20 minutes. Seek medical attention if symptoms develop.  
Skin: Wash exposed areas of the body with plenty of water. Seek medical attention if symptoms develop.  
Inhalation: Remove from area of exposure. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Seek medical attention if symptoms persist.  
Ingestion: Drink water. Do not induce vomiting. If gastrointestinal symptoms develop, seek medical attention.

### 3. STABILITY & REACTIVITY

Chemical Stability: stable under normal conditions  
Incompatibility: none known  
Hazardous Decomposition: no information found  
Hazardous Polymerisation: will not occur  
Conditions to Avoid: no information found

### 9. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Flammability: Not considered to be a fire hazard  
Extinguishing Media: water spray, foam, carbon dioxide for large fires; dry powder for small fires  
Fire Fighting Procedures: Firefighters should wear full fire-fighting turn-out gear (full Bunker gear) including NIOSH-approved self-contained breathing apparatus with full facepiece operated in the pressure demand or other positive pressure mode.

### 4. HANDLING & STORAGE

Avoid contact with eyes. Wash thoroughly after handling. As with all chemicals, good industrial hygiene practices should be followed when handling this material.  
Avoid freezing or excessive heat. Do not handle or store near an open flame, heat or other sources of ignition. Keep the container tightly closed and in a cool, well-ventilated place.

### 10. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute LD50: No information found.  
Carcinogenicity: Not carcinogenic (IARC category: none)  
Environmental Toxicity: No information found.

### 5. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Isolate spill area immediately. Keep unauthorized personnel away. Ventilate closed spaces before entering. Do not touch or walk through spilled material. Prevent entry into waterways, sewers, basements or confined areas. Surface may become slippery after spillage. Use vacuum or broom sweeping and remove to disposal container. If damp, flush with water.

### 11. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Storage and disposal must be in accordance with applicable local, state & federal disposal regulations. Characterization and compliance with applicable laws are the responsibility solely of the generator.

### 6. EXPOSURE CONTROLS & PERSONAL PROTECTION

Respiratory Protection: Where exposure likely exceeds acceptable criteria, use NIOSH/OSHA-approved respiratory equipment.  
Protective Clothing: Gloves recommended to prevent prolonged skin contact. Safety glasses, goggles, or face shield recommended for eye protection.  
Other Protective Measures: Employees must practice good personal hygiene, washing exposed areas of skin several times daily and laundering contaminated clothing before re-use.

### 12. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

General: not regulated (not considered hazardous)  
DOT Shipping Name: Refer to corresponding hazard class  
ADR/ R I C Code: Refer to corresponding hazard class  
Sea Transport I M D G Code: Refer to corresponding hazard class  
Air Transport I A T A: Refer to corresponding hazard class

### 7. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

General: Not considered hazardous material.  
Inhalation: Not expected to be a health hazard

### 13. DISCLAIMER

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