

# Safety Data Sheet

## Potassium Ferricyanide

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### Section 1 Product Description

**Product Name:** Potassium Ferricyanide  
**Recommended Use:** Science education applications  
**Synonyms:** Potassium Hexacyanoferrate (III), Red prussiate  
**Distributor:** Carolina Biological Supply Company  
2700 York Road, Burlington, NC 27215  
1-800-227-1150  
**Chemical Information:** 800-227-1150 (8am-5pm (ET) M-F)  
**Chemtrec:** 800-424-9300 (Transportation Spill Response 24 hours)

### Section 2 Hazard Identification

Classification of the chemical in accordance with paragraph (d) of §1910.1200;

**WARNING**



Causes skin irritation. Causes serious eye irritation. Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

**GHS Classification:**

Skin Corrosion/Irritation Category 2, Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation Category 2A, Hazardous to the aquatic environment - Chronic Category 3, Acute Toxicity - Oral Category 5

**Other Safety Precautions:** May be harmful if swallowed

### Section 3 Composition / Information on Ingredients

<u>Chemical Name</u>	<u>CAS #</u>	<u>%</u>
Potassium Ferricyanide	13746-66-2	100

### Section 4 First Aid Measures

**Emergency and First Aid Procedures**

**Inhalation:** In case of accident by inhalation: remove casualty to fresh air and keep at rest.  
**Eyes:** 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 advice/attention.  
**Skin Contact:** After contact with skin, wash immediately with plenty of water.  
**Ingestion:** If swallowed, do not induce vomiting: seek medical advice immediately and show this container or label.

### Section 5 Firefighting Procedures

**Extinguishing Media:** Use dry chemical, CO2 or appropriate foam.  
**Fire Fighting Methods and Protection:** Firefighters should wear full protective equipment and NIOSH approved self-contained breathing apparatus.  
**Fire and/or Explosion Hazards:** Fire or excessive heat may produce hazardous decomposition products.  
**Hazardous Combustion Products:** Potassium Oxide, Nitrogen oxides, Metal Oxides,, Carbon oxides

### Section 6 Spill or Leak Procedures

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## Steps to Take in Case Material Is Released or Spilled:

Exposure to the spilled material may be irritating or harmful. Follow personal protective equipment recommendations found in Section 8 of this SDS. Additional precautions may be necessary based on special circumstances created by the spill including; the material spilled, the quantity of the spill, the area in which the spill occurred. Also consider the expertise of employees in the area responding to the spill. Ventilate the contaminated area. Persons not wearing appropriate protective equipment should be excluded from area of spill until clean-up has been completed. Remove soiled clothing and laundry before reuse. Avoid contact with eyes.

Vacuum or sweep up material and place in a disposal container

## Section 7 Handling and Storage

**Handling:** Wash thoroughly after handling. Avoid release to the environment. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Retained residue may make empty containers hazardous.

**Storage:** Keep container tightly closed in a cool, well-ventilated place.

**Storage Code:** Green - general chemical storage

## Section 8 Protection Information

Chemical Name	ACGIH		OSHA PEL	
	(TWA)	(STEL)	(TWA)	(STEL)
Potassium Ferricyanide	1 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA (as Fe)	N/A	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA (as CN) CN)	N/A

### Control Parameters

#### Engineering Measures:

No exposure limits exist for the constituents of this product. General room ventilation might be required to maintain operator comfort under normal conditions of use.

#### Personal Protective Equipment (PPE):

Lab coat, apron, eye wash, safety shower.

#### Respiratory Protection:

No respiratory protection required under normal conditions of use.

#### Eye Protection:

Wear chemical splash goggles when handling this product. Have an eye wash station available.

#### Skin Protection:

Avoid skin contact by wearing chemically resistant gloves, an apron and other protective equipment depending upon conditions of use. Inspect gloves for chemical break-through and replace at regular intervals. Clean protective equipment regularly. Wash hands and other exposed areas with mild soap and water before eating, drinking, and when leaving work.

#### Gloves:

No information available

## Section 9 Physical Data

**Formula:** K<sub>3</sub>Fe(CN)<sub>6</sub>

**Molecular Weight:** 329.27

**Appearance:** Red powder; odorless.

**Odor:** No data available

**Odor Threshold:** No data available

**pH:** 6.0 - 9 at 329 g/l at 25 °C

**Melting Point:** No data available

**Boiling Point:** No data available

**Flash Point:** No data available

**Flammable Limits in Air:** N/A

**Vapor Pressure:** N/A

**Evaporation Rate (BuAc=1):** N/A

**Vapor Density (Air=1):** N/A

**Specific Gravity:** 1.89

**Solubility in Water:** Soluble

**Log Pow (calculated):** No data available

**Autoignition Temperature:** No data available

**Decomposition Temperature:** No data available

**Viscosity:** No data available

**Percent Volatile by Volume:** 0%

## Section 10 Reactivity Data

#### Reactivity:

No data available

#### Chemical Stability:

Stable under normal conditions.

#### Conditions to Avoid:

None known.

#### Incompatible Materials:

Acids

#### Hazardous Decomposition Products:

Carbon oxides, Metal Oxides,, Nitrogen oxides, Potassium Oxide

#### Hazardous Polymerization:

Will not occur

## Section 11 Toxicity Data

**Routes of Entry** Inhalation, ingestion, eye or skin contact.

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**Symptoms (Acute):** N/A  
**Delayed Effects:** No data available

## Acute Toxicity:

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Oral LD50	Dermal LD50	Inhalation LC50
Potassium Ferricyanide	13746-66-2	Oral LD50 Mouse 2970 mg/kg	Not determined	Not determined

## Carcinogenicity:

Chemical Name	CAS Number	IARC	NTP	OSHA
No data available	13746-66-2	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

## Chronic Effects:

**Mutagenicity:** No evidence of a mutagenic effect.  
**Teratogenicity:** No evidence of a teratogenic effect (birth defect).  
**Sensitization:** No evidence of a sensitization effect.  
**Reproductive:** No evidence of negative reproductive effects.  
**Target Organ Effects:**  
**Acute:** See Section 2  
**Chronic:** Mutation data cited., Not listed as a carcinogen by IARC, NTP or OSHA.

## Section 12 Ecological Data

**Overview:** This material is not expected to be harmful to the ecology.  
**Mobility:** No data  
**Persistence:** No data  
**Bioaccumulation:** No data  
**Degradability:** No data  
**Other Adverse Effects:** No data

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Eco Toxicity
N/A	13746-66-2	

## Section 13 Disposal Information

**Disposal Methods:** Dispose in accordance with all applicable Federal, State and Local regulations. Always contact a permitted waste disposer (TSD) to assure compliance.  
**Waste Disposal Code(s):** Not Determined

## Section 14 Transport Information

**Ground - DOT Proper Shipping Name:** UN3077, Environmentally Hazardous Substance, Solid, n.o.s. (tripotassium hexacyanoferrate), Class 9, PG III  
**Air - IATA Proper Shipping Name:** Not regulated for air transport by IATA.

## Section 15 Regulatory Information

**TSCA Status:** All components in this product are on the TSCA Inventory.

Chemical Name	CAS Number	§ 313 Name	§ 304 RQ	CERCLA RQ	§ 302 TPQ	CAA 112(2) TQ
No data available	13746-66-2	No	No	No	No	No

## Section 16 Additional Information

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## Glossary

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ACGIH	American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists	NTP	National Toxicology Program
CAS	Chemical Abstract Service Number	OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
CERCLA	Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act	PEL	Permissible Exposure Limit
DOT	U.S. Department of Transportation	ppm	Parts per million
IARC	International Agency for Research on Cancer	RCRA	Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
N/A	Not Available	SARA	Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act
		TLV	Threshold Limit Value
		TSCA	Toxic Substances Control Act
		IDLH	Immediately dangerous to life and health