

# MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

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## SECTION I - PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

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**PRODUCT NAME:** GAP-1 ETCHANT

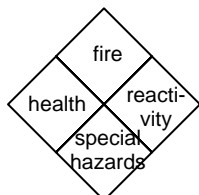
## SECTION II - COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

### INGREDIENTS

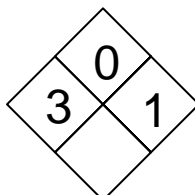
Material	%	CAS #
POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE	3-8	1310-53-8
POTASSIUM FERRICYANIDE	15-25	13746-66-2
WATER	65-85	7732-18-5

## SECTION III - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### NFPA FIRE HAZARD SYMBOL:



4 – extreme  
3 – high  
2 – moderate  
1 – slight  
0 – insignificant



**Hazard Categories:** 1- Causes sever skin burns; 1- Causes serious eye damage, 4- Harmful if swallowed



**SECTION III - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION (continued)**

**Hazard Signal Word**

**DANGER**

**Hazards**

- Causes Severe Eyes and Skin Burns
- Causes Severe Respiratory and Digestive Tract Burns

**Precautionary Measures**

- Do not get in eyes, on skin or clothing
- Do not breathe fumes or mist
- Do not ingest
- Use only with adequate ventilation
- Keep container tightly closed
- Keep away from high heat or acids
- Wash thoroughly after handling

**SECTION III - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION(continued)**

**INGREDIENT EXPOSURE LIMITS**

**POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE:**

<b>OSHA Permissible Exposure Limit</b>	<b>PEL/TWA</b>	2 mg/m <sup>3</sup> ceiling
<b>ACGIH</b>	<b>TLV/TWA</b>	2 mg/m <sup>3</sup> ceiling

**POTASSIUM FERRICYANIDE**

<b>OSHA Permissible Exposure Limit</b>	<b>PEL/TWA</b>	Not established
<b>ACGIH</b>	<b>TLV/TWA</b>	Not listed

**SECTION IV - FIRST AID MEASURES**

**EYE CONTACT:**

In case of eye contact, immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least fifteen minutes. Remove contact lenses if worn. Seek Medical attention immediately.

**SKIN CONTACT:**

In case of skin contact, seek Medical attention immediately. Immediately flush skin with plenty of water for at least fifteen minutes while removing contaminated clothing and shoes. Wash clothing before reuse. Thoroughly clean (or destroy) shoes before reuse.

## **SECTION IV - FIRST AID MEASURES (continued)**

### **INHALATION:**

If inhaled get Medical attention immediately. Remove to fresh air.

### **INGESTION:**

If swallowed get Medical attention immediately. Do NOT induce vomiting, unless directed by Medical personnel. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person

## **SECTION V - FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES**

### **Recommended Fire Extinguishing Media:**

Use any means suitable for extinguishing surrounding fires.

### **Special/Unusual Fire Fighting Procedures:**

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus with a full face piece and full protective gear

## **SECTION VI - ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

Before picking up spill, wear the minimum personal protective equipment, specified in Section VIII. For large spills a higher level of personal protective equipment may be needed. After adding inert absorbing material, sweep and shovel spill into an empty plastic-lined container. Secure cover on waste container and identify for chemical waste disposal via appropriate corporate procedure.

Do not mix picked-up spills of different chemicals together.

Flush contaminated area with water ONLY AFTER spill has been picked up; use sufficient water.

## **SECTION VII - HANDLING AND STORAGE**

Store away from acids.

Store in a cool, dry place.

## **SECTION VIII - EXPOSURE CONTROLS/ PERSONAL PROTECTION**

### **RECOMMENDED VENTILATION:**

Local exhaust ventilation at generation points for mist and fumes.

### **RESPIRATOR:**

Any dust, mist or fume respirator, except single-use or disposable respirator or appropriate particle filter as defined in 42CFR84 depending on the potential for the presence of oil particles in air and the filter efficiency (95, 99 or 99.97%) needed.

## SECTION VIII - EXPOSURE CONTROLS/ PERSONAL PROTECTION (continued)

### EYE PROTECTION:

Minimum of chemical workers goggles should be used. Full face shield should be worn where splashing is possible.

### SKIN PROTECTION:

Minimum of butyl rubber, Natural rubber, Neoprene, Nitrile rubber or Polyethylene gloves. Impervious garment also required where risk of exposure is high.

## SECTION IX - PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

**Appearance and Odor:** Orange liquid

**Warning Properties:** None

**Melting point:** Not applicable

**Boiling point:** Not available

**Specific Gravity (H<sub>2</sub>O=1):** Not available

**% Solubility in Water:** Dilutable

**pH:** > 11.5

**Vapor Density:** Not available

**% Volatiles by Volume:** 65-85

**Vapor Pressure:** @ 20°C: ND

## SECTION X - STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### Hazardous Reactivity:

Compound is considered stable.

Compound is incompatible with strong acids, metals, organic materials and heat.

When heated to decomposition or in contact with acid or acid fumes, may emit toxic fumes of cyanides.

## SECTION XI - TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### INHALATION:

Moderately acutely toxic; corrosive

### SKIN CONTACT:

Corrosive

### SKIN ABSORPTION:

Not likely to be absorbed in toxic amounts

## SECTION XI - TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION (continued)

### EYE CONTACT:

Corrosive

### INGESTION:

Moderately acutely toxic; corrosive

### EFFECTS OF ACUTE OVEREXPOSURE:

Eye, skin, esophagus and stomach burns. If ingested abdominal pains, nausea, vomiting, general gastro-intestinal upset.

### EFFECTS OF CHRONIC OVEREXPOSURE

Not listed by OSHA, IARC or NTP

## SECTION XII - ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Products of biodegradation are not toxic.

## SECTION XIII - DISPOSAL CONSIDERATION

Observe all federal, state and local regulations when disposing of this substance.

## SECTION XIV - TRANSPORT INFORMATION

<b>D.O.T PROPER SHIPPING NAME (49 CFR 171.101):</b>	Potassium hydroxide solution
<b>D.O.T. HAZARD CLASS:</b>	Corrosive (8)
<b>D.O.T IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (UN/NA):</b>	UN 1814
<b>D.O.T. PACKING GROUP:</b>	II
<b>D.O.T. PRIMARY HAZARD LABEL:</b>	CORROSIVE

## SECTION XV - REGULATORY INFORMATION

**TSCA Inventory:** All chemicals listed

**EPCRA Section 313:** Not listed

**California Prop 65:** Not listed

**New Jersey Worker and Community Right to Know Act:** Potassium hydroxide-SHHL- CO

**Pennsylvania Worker and Community Right to Know Act:** Potassium hydroxide-E

## SECTION XVI - OTHER INFORMATION

**Users Responsibility:** A bulletin such as this cannot be expected to cover all possible individual situations of chemical handling and exposure. As the user has the responsibility to ensure a safe working environment and proper training of those handling this and other chemicals, all aspects of individual operation should be examined to determine if, or where, precautions are required. Any health hazard and safety information herein should be passed on to your employees, customers and anyone who may come in contact with the material.

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