

### MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

### REF: 91/155/EEC AND AMENDMENTS WITH RESPECTIVE NATIONAL IMPLEMENTATIONS

### **POTASSIUM CITRATE**

### 1.0 SUBSTANCE IDENTIFICATION

1.1 Commercial product name: Potassium Citrate

1.2 Chemical characterisation: Tripotassium salt of 2-hydroxy 1,2,3-propanetricarboxylic

acid, monohydrate

1.3 Formula: K<sub>3</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>O<sub>7</sub>•H<sub>2</sub>O

 1.4
 Molecular weight:
 324.4

 1.5
 CAS No:
 866-84-2

 1.6
 EINECS No.:
 212-755-5

1.7 **FOR USE IN FOOD (E 332)** 

1.8 Manufactured by: Archer Daniels Midland Company, 4666 Faries Parkway,

Decatur, Illinois 62526, U.S.A.

1.9 Supplied in the U.K. by: ADM Australia Pty Ltd, PO Box 281, Suite 1003, Level 10,

1 Newland Street, Bondi Junction, NSW 2022

1.10 Australian Emergency Telephone Number: 0417 285396 (24 hours)

1.11 U.S. Emergency Telephone Number (24 hours): +1 217 424 5200

### 2.0 COMPOSITION

- 2.1 Totally 100% potassium citrate
- 2.2 Volatile matter 6% maximum after drying for 4 hours at 180°C
- 2.3 Potassium ion content typically 36%

# 3.0 HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

- 3.1 Potassium citrate is not classified as a Dangerous Substance within the definitions of EC Directive 67/584
- 3.2 Contact with eyes (e.g. dust particles) may cause irritation.

### 4.0 FIRST AID MEASURES

4.1 Flush affected parts with plenty of water

# **5.0 FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES**

- 5.1 All types of fire extinguisher are suitable
- 5.2 Firefighters wear protective clothing and NIOSH approved respirator

# **6.0 ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

6.1 After spillage/leakage: Recover by vacuum, or broom and shovel. Flush area with water to remove final traces.

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# 7.0 HANDLING AND STORAGE

- 7.1 Store in tightly closed containers, away from extreme heat and humidity. Maximum 25°C and 50% relative humidity.
- 7.2 Industrial Hygiene: Good ventilation required if process creates the formation of dust.

# 8.0 EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

8.1 Personal precautions: Avoid breathing dust.

Avoid contact with eyes.

8.2 Respiratory protection: Approved nuisance dust mask

8.3 Hand protection: Standard work gloves8.4 Eye protection: Goggles or safety glasses

### 9.0 PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

- 9.1 Appearance: Crystals
- 9.2 Colour: Colourless
- 9.3 Odour: Odourless
- 9.4 Molecular weight: 324.4
- 9.5 Change in physical state: Loss of water above 180°C, with decomposition
- 9.6 Specific gravity Bulk density: 1.97 920-1150 kg/m<sub>3</sub> (typical range)
- 9.8 Vapour pressure: N/A solid
- 9.9 Viscosity: N/A solid
- 9.10 Solubility in water (25°C) 64% w/w
  - in ethanol (25°C) Insoluble
- 9.11 pH (5% solution) (25°C) 7 9
- 9.12 Flash point N/A
- 9.13 Explosive properties N/A
- 9.14 Flammability: Requires external heat to burn
- 9.12 Thermal decomposition: Above 230°C may evolve carbon monoxide

and carbon dioxide

# 10.0 STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

10.1 Shelf life: Potassium citrate is chemically stable if stored under cool, dry

conditions; 25°C maximum and 50% relative humidity. It deliquesces in moist air. Physical properties may change on storage: re-test recommended periodically based on actual

storage conditions.

10.4 Reactivity: Potassium citrate is a neutral salt with low activity.

### 11.0 TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

11.1 LD<sub>50</sub> (dog): Intravenous 176 mg/kg

# 12.0 ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

12.1 COD 425 ± 25mg O<sub>2</sub>/g

12.2 DIN 38412 Part 25 (OECD 302B) Biodegradability 98% within 2\* to 24 hours

• Ref.P.Creach: C.R.Acad.Sci. Paris 240 2551 (1955)

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### 13.0 DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

13.1 Postassium citrate is suitable for landfill or disposal to sewer **depending upon local regulations**.

### 14.0 TRANSPORT INFORMATION

14.1 No special considerations

### 15.0 REGULATORY INFORMATION

- 15.1 Potassium citrate is an EU permitted Food Additive (E 332). Conditions of use: Quantum Satis. The US Food and Drug Administration classifies potassium citrate as a GRAS (Generally Recognised As Safe) food ingredient.
- 15.2 According to the Joint Expert Committee on Food Additives of WHO/FAO potassium Citrate may be used without limitation according to Good Manufacturing Practices.

## **16.0 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

16.1 See Product Data Sheet.

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