# FLINN SCIENTIFIC, INC. **Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS)**

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#### SECTION 1 — CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

# **Potassium Ferricyanide**

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#### SECTION 2 — COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Potassium Ferricyanide

Synonym: red prussiate of potash, potassium hexacyanoferrate

CAS#: 13746-66-2

## **SECTION 3 — HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**

Orange/lemon yellow crystals.

Slightly toxic by ingestion. Body tissue irritant.

When heated to decomposition or in contact with strong acids, may liberate toxic hydrogen cyanide fumes.

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Health-1

Flammability-0

Reactivity-2

Exposure-1

Storage-0

0 is low hazard, 3 is high hazard

#### **SECTION 4 — FIRST AID MEASURES**

Call a physician and seek medical attention for further treatment, observation, and support after first aid.

Inhalation: Remove to fresh air at once. If breathing has stopped, give artificial respiration immediately.

Eye or External: Immediately flush with fresh water for at least 15 minutes.

Internal: Rinse mouth. Give large quantities of water for dilution. Call a physician or poison control at once.

#### **SECTION 5 — FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES**

Nonflammable solid.

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When heated to decomposition or in contact with strong acids, may liberate toxic fumes of CN and K<sub>2</sub>O. Fire Fighting Instructions: Use triclass, dry chemical fire extinguisher. Firefighters should wear PPE and

SCBA with full facepiece operated in positive mode.

None established

#### **SECTION 6 — ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

Restrict unprotected personnel from area. Sweep up, place in sealed bag or container and dispose. Ventilate area and wash spill site after material pickup is complete. See Sections 8 and 13 for further information.

#### **SECTION 7 — HANDLING AND STORAGE**

Flinn Suggested Chemical Storage Pattern: Inorganic #7. Store with arsenates, cyanides and cyanates. Store in a cool dry place and light sensitive.

#### SECTION 8 — EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION

Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Wear chemical splash goggles, chemical-resistant gloves, and chemical-resistant apron.

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#### **SECTION 9 — PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

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Melting point: 300 °C (decomposes) Solubility: Soluble in water; slightly in alcohol. Specific gravity: 1.85

Formula: K<sub>3</sub>Fe(CN)<sub>6</sub> Formula weight: 329.27

#### **SECTION 10 — STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

Avoid contact with strong acids, strong oxidizers, sodium nitrite, ammonia, chromium trioxide, cupric nitrate. Reaction with strong acids may liberate toxic HCN fumes.

Shelf life: Fair.

## **SECTION 11 — TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Acute effects: N.A. ORL-RAT LD<sub>50</sub>: 1600 mg/kg Chronic effects: N.A. IHL-RAT LC<sub>50</sub>: N.A. Target organs: N.A. SKN-RBT LD<sub>50</sub>: N.A.

N.A. = Not available, not all health aspects of this substance have been fully investigated.

## **SECTION 12 — ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Data not yet available.

#### SECTION 13 — DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Please review all federal, state and local regulations that may apply, before proceeding.

Flinn Suggested Disposal Method #14 is one option.

#### **SECTION 14 — TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

Shipping name: Not regulated

Hazard class: N/A UN number: N/A N/A = Not applicable

#### **SECTION 15 — REGULATORY INFORMATION**

TSCA-listed, EINECS-listed (237-323-3).

#### **SECTION 16 — OTHER INFORMATION**

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