

# Safety Data Sheet

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## 1 Identification

**Product Name: GRUNT**

**Other Means of Identification:** Mixture

**Other Name:** Potassium hydroxide solution containing sodium hypochlorite

**Recommended Use of the Chemical and Restriction on Use:** Cleaning solution

**Details of Manufacturer or Importer:**

DASCO Pty Ltd  
24 - 26 Helen Street  
Heidelberg Heights VIC 3081

**Phone Number:** 03 9459 7004

**Emergency telephone number:** National Poisons Information Centre: 13 11 26

## 2 Hazard(s) Identification

**Hazardous Nature:**

Classified as Hazardous according to the Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS) and Safe Work Australia criteria.

Classified as Dangerous Goods according to the Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail (7th edition).



Corrosion

Skin Corrosion/Irritation 1A H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

Eye Damage 1 H318 Causes serious eye damage.



Environment

Aquatic Chronic 2 H411 Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.



Acute Toxicity (Oral) 4 H302 Harmful if swallowed.

**Signal Word** Danger

**Hazard Statements**

H302 Harmful if swallowed.

H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

H411 Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

**Precautionary Statements**

P260 Do not breathe dusts or mists.

P264 Wash thoroughly after handling.

P270 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.

P273 Avoid release to the environment.

P280 Wear eye protection / face protection.

P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.

P301+P312 IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER/doctor if you feel unwell.

P301+P330+P331 IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.

P303+P361+P353 IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.

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P304+P340	IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.
P305+P351+P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
P310	Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor.
P321	Specific treatment (see on this label).
P363	Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.
P391	Collect spillage.
P405	Store locked up.
P501	Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.

**Supplementary (non-GHS) hazard statements recognised in Australia**

AUH031 Contact with acids liberates toxic gas.

### 3 Composition and Information on Ingredients

**Chemical Characterization: Mixtures****Description:** Mixture of substances listed below with nonhazardous additions.**Hazardous Components:**

CAS: 1310-58-3	Potassium hydroxide	25-<30%
	☞ Skin Corrosion/Irritation 1A, H314; ☠ Acute Toxicity (Oral) 4, H302	
CAS: 7681-52-9	Sodium hypochlorite	5-<10%
	☞ Skin Corrosion/Irritation 1B, H314; ☠ Aquatic Chronic 1, H410; ☠ STOT SE 3, H335	

### 4 First Aid Measures

**Inhalation:** If inhaled, remove to fresh air. Seek medical attention if breathing problems develop.**Skin Contact:**

In case of skin contact, immediately remove contaminated clothing and wash affected areas with water and soap. Seek immediate medical attention.

**Eye Contact:**

In case of eye contact, rinse with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing for at least 15 minutes. Seek immediate medical attention.

**Ingestion:**

If swallowed, do not induce vomiting. Immediately rinse mouth with water. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Seek immediate medical attention.

**Symptoms Caused by Exposure:**

Inhalation: May cause respiratory irritation.

Skin Contact: Causes severe skin burns.

Eye Contact: Causes serious eye damage.

Ingestion: Harmful if swallowed. Causes burns to the mouth, nose, throat and oesophagus. May cause gastrointestinal irritation, nausea, diarrhoea and vomiting.

### 5 Fire Fighting Measures

**Suitable Extinguishing Media:** Water fog or fine spray.**Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical:**

Hazardous combustion products include oxides of potassium, chlorine gas, hydrogen gas, and hydrogen chloride.

Product is not flammable.

Containers close to fire should be removed only if safe to do so. Use water spray to cool fire exposed containers.

Prevent run-off from fire fighting entering drains or water courses.

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**Special Protective Equipment and Precautions for Fire Fighters:**

When fighting a major fire wear self-contained breathing apparatus and protective equipment.

**6 Accidental Release Measures****Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment and Emergency Procedures:**

Wear approved respiratory protection, chemical resistant gloves, protective clothing and safety boots. Evacuate all non-essential personnel from affected area. Do not breathe vapours or mists.

**Environmental Precautions:**

In the event of a major spill, prevent spillage from entering drains or water courses. Inform respective authorities in case of seepage into water course or sewage system.

**Methods and Materials for Containment and Cleaning Up:**

Stop leak if safe to do so and absorb spill with sand, earth, vermiculite or some other absorbent material. Collect the spilled material and place into a suitable container for disposal.

**7 Handling and Storage****Precautions for Safe Handling:**

Use of safe work practices are recommended to avoid eye or skin contact and inhalation of vapours or mists. Food, beverages and tobacco products should not be stored or consumed where this material is in use. Always wash hands before smoking, eating, drinking or using the toilet. Wash contaminated clothing and other protective equipment before storage or re-use. Provide eyewash fountains and safety showers in close proximity to points of potential exposure.

**Conditions for Safe Storage:**

Store in a cool, dry and well ventilated area. Keep in original container, tightly closed when not in use. Protect from direct sunlight and heat. Keep away from acids, oxidising agents, ammonium compounds, nitro compounds, organic halides, wood, and active metals such as aluminium, tin, or zinc.

**8 Exposure Controls and Personal Protection****Exposure Standards:****CAS: 1310-58-3 Potassium hydroxide**WES | Peak limitation: 2 mg/m<sup>3</sup>**Engineering Controls:**

Ensure adequate ventilation of the working area, keeping airborne concentrations below occupational exposure standards.

**Respiratory Protection:**

Use an approved particulate respirator (filter type P) under conditions where exposure to the substance is apparent (e.g. generation of high concentrations of mist or vapour, inadequate ventilation, development of respiratory tract irritation) and engineering controls are not feasible. See Australian Standards AS/NZS 1715 and 1716 for more information.

**Skin Protection:**

Rubber or plastic gloves. See Australian/New Zealand Standard AS/NZS 2161 for more information. When selecting gloves for use against certain chemicals, the degradation resistance, permeation rate and permeation breakthrough time should be considered. Occupational protective clothing (depending on conditions in which it has to be used, in particular as regards the period for which it is worn, which shall be determined on the basis of the seriousness of the risk, the frequency of exposure to the risk, the characteristics of the workstation of each worker and the performance of the protective clothing). See Australian/New Zealand Standard AS/NZS 4501 for more information.

**Eye and Face Protection:**

Safety glasses with top and side shields or goggles. See Australian/New Zealand Standards AS/NZS 1336 and 1337 for more information.

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## 9 Physical and Chemical Properties

<b>Appearance:</b>	
<b>Form:</b>	Liquid
<b>Colour:</b>	Clear pale yellow
<b>Odour:</b>	Slight chlorine
<b>Odour Threshold:</b>	No information available
<b>pH-Value:</b>	~13 (1% in water)
<b>Melting point/freezing point:</b>	No information available
<b>Initial Boiling Point/Boiling Range:</b>	>100 °C
<b>Flash Point:</b>	No information available
<b>Flammability (solid, gas):</b>	Not applicable
<b>Auto-ignition Temperature:</b>	No information available
<b>Decomposition Temperature:</b>	No information available
<b>Explosion Limits:</b>	
<b>Lower:</b>	No information available
<b>Upper:</b>	No information available
<b>Vapour Pressure:</b>	No information available
<b>Relative Density at 25 °C:</b>	1.266
<b>Vapour Density:</b>	No information available
<b>Evaporation Rate:</b>	No information available
<b>Solubility in Water:</b>	Miscible
<b>Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water):</b>	No information available
<b>Viscosity:</b>	No information available

## 10 Stability and Reactivity

**Possibility of Hazardous Reactions:** No dangerous reactions known under conditions of normal use.

**Chemical Stability:** Stable at ambient temperature and under normal conditions of storage and use.

**Conditions to Avoid:** Direct sunlight and heat.

**Incompatible Materials:**

Acids, oxidising agents, ammonium compounds, nitro compounds, organic halides, wood, and active metals such as aluminium, tin, or zinc.

**Hazardous Decomposition Products:**

Oxides of potassium, chlorine gas, hydrogen gas, and hydrogen chloride.

## 11 Toxicological Information

**Toxicity:**

**LD50/LC50 Values:**

**CAS: 1310-58-3 Potassium hydroxide**

Oral	LD50	333-388 mg/kg (Rattus norvegicus (rat))
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**CAS: 7681-52-9 Sodium hypochlorite**

Oral	LD50	5,800 mg/kg (Mus musculus (mouse))
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**Acute Health Effects**

**Inhalation:** May cause respiratory irritation.

**Skin:** Strong caustic effect on skin and mucous membranes.

**Eye:** Strong caustic effect.

**Ingestion:** May cause gastrointestinal irritation, nausea, diarrhoea and vomiting.

**Skin Corrosion / Irritation:** Causes severe skin burns.

**Serious Eye Damage / Irritation:** Causes serious eye damage.

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**Respiratory or Skin Sensitisation:** Based on classification principles, the classification criteria are not met.**Germ Cell Mutagenicity:** Based on classification principles, the classification criteria are not met.**Carcinogenicity:** Based on classification principles, the classification criteria are not met.**Reproductive Toxicity:** Based on classification principles, the classification criteria are not met.**Specific Target Organ Toxicity (STOT) - Single Exposure:**

Based on classification principles, the classification criteria are not met.

**Specific Target Organ Toxicity (STOT) - Repeated Exposure:**

Based on classification principles, the classification criteria are not met.

**Aspiration Hazard:** Based on classification principles, the classification criteria are not met.**Chronic Health Effects:** No data associated with long term health effects.**Existing Conditions Aggravated by Exposure:** No data available.

## 12 Ecological Information

**Ecotoxicity:****Aquatic toxicity:**

Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

**CAS: 1310-58-3 Potassium hydroxide**

EC50/15 minutes 22 mg/l (bacterial)

LC50/96 h 45.4 mg/l (Oncorhynchus mykiss (rainbow trout))

LC50/48 h 40 mg/l (Daphnia magna (water flea))

**CAS: 7681-52-9 Sodium hypochlorite**

EC50/48 h 0.035 mg/l (Daphnia magna (water flea))

LC50/96 h 35 mg/l (Oncorhynchus mykiss (rainbow trout))

**Persistence and Degradability:** No data available on finished product.**Bioaccumulative Potential:** No data available on finished product.**Mobility in Soil:** No data available on finished product.**Other adverse effects:** No further relevant information available.

## 13 Disposal Considerations

**Disposal Methods and Containers:** Dispose according to applicable local and state government regulations.**Special Precautions for Landfill or Incineration:**

Please consult your state Land Waste Management Authority for more information.

## 14 Transport Information

**UN Number****ADG, IMDG, IATA**

UN3266

**Proper Shipping Name****ADG, IMDG, IATA**CORROSIVE LIQUID, BASIC, INORGANIC, N.O.S.  
(POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE, Sodium hypochlorite),  
ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS, MARINE  
POLLUTANT**Dangerous Goods Class****ADG Class:**

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<b>Packing Group:</b> ADG, IMDG, IATA	I
<b>Marine pollutant:</b>	Symbol (fish and tree)
<b>EMS Number:</b>	F-A,S-B
<b>Hazchem Code:</b>	2X
<b>Special Provisions:</b>	274
<b>Excepted quantities (EQ):</b>	E0
<b>Limited Quantities:</b>	0
<b>Packagings &amp; IBCs - Packing Instruction:</b>	P001
<b>Portable Tanks &amp; Bulk Containers - Instructions:</b>	T14
<b>Portable Tanks &amp; Bulk Containers - Special Provisions:</b>	TP2, TP27

## 15 Regulatory Information

**Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals:** All ingredients are listed.

**Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP) - Poison Schedule:**  
Poisons Schedule: 6

## 16 Other Information

**Date of Preparation or Last Revision:** 09.09.2024

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### Abbreviations and acronyms:

ADG: Australian Dangerous Goods

IMDG: International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods

IATA: International Air Transport Association

GHS: Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals

CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society)

LC50: Lethal concentration, 50 percent

LD50: Lethal dose, 50 percent

IARC: International Agency for Research on Cancer

STEL: Short Term Exposure Limit

TWA: Time Weighted Average

NES: National Exposure Standard (Safe Work Australia - Workplace Exposure Standards For Airborne Contaminants)

Acute Toxicity (Oral) 4: Acute toxicity – Category 4

Skin Corrosion/Irritation 1A: Skin corrosion/irritation – Category 1A

Skin Corrosion/Irritation 1B: Skin corrosion/irritation – Category 1B

Eye Damage 1: Serious eye damage/eye irritation – Category 1

STOT SE 3: Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure) – Category 3

Aquatic Chronic 1: Hazardous to the aquatic environment, long-term (Chronic). Category 1

Aquatic Chronic 2: Hazardous to the aquatic environment, long-term (Chronic). Category 2

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