

According to REACH Regulations (EC) 1907/2006 and (EU) 2020/878

### 1. Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

#### 1.1 Product identifier

Product code : GX0303  
Product name : Potassium metabisulfite  
CAS number : 16731-55-8  
EINECS : 240-795-3  
Physical form : solid, substance  
REACH : A registration number is not available for this substance as the substance or its uses are exempted from registration, the annual tonnage does not require a registration or the registration is envisaged for a later registration deadline.

#### 1.2 Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

PC21: Laboratory chemicals.

#### 1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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#### 1.4 Emergency telephone number

Emergency telephone : NHS Direct 111 (UK, 24 hours), 112 (EU, 24 Hours), +44 (0) 1225 667 798 (09.00 – 17.00 GMT) number

### 2. Hazards identification

#### 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

Classification under CLP according to (EC) 1272/2008

H318 Eye Dam. 1

#### 2.2 Label elements

Label elements under CLP according to (EC) 1272/2008

##### Pictograms



GHS05 GHS07

##### Signal words

Danger

##### Hazard statements

H318 Causes serious eye damage  
EUH031 Contact with acids liberates toxic gas.

##### Precautionary statements

P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.  
P304+P340 IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep 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.  
P312 Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/... if you feel unwell.

#### 2.3 Other hazards

##### PBT

This substance is not identified as a PBT substance.

### 3.0 Composition/information on ingredients

#### 3.1 Substances

Name	Identifier	%	Classification
Potassium metabisulfite	CAS: 16731-55-8 EC: 240-795-3 REACH: Not applicable	95.0%	H318, Eye Dam. 1

## 4. First aid measures

### 4.1 Description of first aid measures

<b>Skin contact</b>	Drench the affected skin with running water for 10 minutes or longer if substance is still on skin. Remove all contaminated clothes and footwear immediately unless stuck to skin. Transfer to hospital if there are burns or symptoms of poisoning.
<b>Eye contact</b>	Transfer to hospital for specialist examination. Bathe the eye with running water for 15 minutes.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Do not induce vomiting. Give 1 cup of water to drink every 10 minutes. If unconscious and breathing is OK, place in the recovery position. If unconscious, check for breathing and apply artificial respiration if necessary. Transfer to hospital as soon as possible. Wash out mouth with water.
<b>Inhalation</b>	If breathing becomes bubbly, have the casualty sit and provide oxygen if available. If conscious, ensure the casualty sits or lies down. If unconscious and breathing is OK, place in the recovery position. If unconscious, check for breathing and apply artificial respiration if necessary. Remove casualty from exposure ensuring one's own safety whilst doing so. Transfer to hospital as soon as possible.

### 4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

<b>Skin contact</b>	Blistering may occur. Progressive ulceration will occur if treatment is not immediate.
<b>Eye contact</b>	Corneal burns may occur. May cause permanent damage.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Blood may be vomited. Corrosive burns may appear around the lips. There may be bleeding from the mouth or nose.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Exposure may cause coughing or wheezing. There may be shortness of breath with a burning sensation in the throat.
<b>Delayed / immediate effects</b>	Immediate effects can be expected after short-term exposure. There may be bleeding from the mouth or nose.

### 4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

#### Immediate / special treatment

Do not induce vomiting. Eye bathing equipment should be available on the premises.

## 5. Fire-fighting measures

### 5.1 Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media for the surrounding fire should be used. Use water spray to cool containers.

### 5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

#### Exposure hazards

Corrosive. In combustion emits toxic fumes.

### 5.3 Advice for fire-fighters

Wear protective clothing to prevent contact with skin and eyes. Wear self-contained breathing apparatus.

## 6. Accidental release measures

### 6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

#### Personal precautions

Do not attempt to take action without suitable protective clothing - see section 8 of SDS. If outside keep bystanders upwind and away from danger point. Mark out the contaminated area with signs and prevent access to unauthorised personnel. Notify the police and fire brigade immediately.

## 6.2 Environmental precautions

Do not discharge into drains or rivers.

## 6.3 Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

### Clean-up procedures

Clean-up should be dealt with only by qualified personnel familiar with the specific substance. Transfer to a closable, labelled salvage container for disposal by an appropriate method.

## 6.4 Reference to other sections

Refer to section 8 of SDS.

## 7. Handling and storage

### 7.1 Precautions for safe handling

#### Handling requirements

Avoid direct contact with the substance. Avoid the formation or spread of dust in the air. Do not handle in a confined space. Ensure there is sufficient ventilation of the area.

### 7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

#### Storage conditions

Avoid contact with water or humidity. Keep container tightly closed. Store in cool, well ventilated area.

### 7.3 Specific end use(s)

No data available.

## 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

### 8.1 Control parameters

#### Workplace exposure limits

No workplace exposure limit control parameters set

### 8.2 Exposure controls

Engineering measures	Ensure there is sufficient ventilation of the area.
Respiratory protection	Respiratory protective device with particle filter. Self-contained breathing apparatus must be available in case of emergency.
Hand protection	Protective gloves.
Eye protection	Ensure eye bath is to hand. Tightly fitting safety goggles.
Skin protection	Protective clothing.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

### 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Physical state	Solid
Colour	White
Odour	No data available.
Melting point/Freezing point	150 °C (decomp)
Boiling point/initial boiling point/boiling range	No data available.
Flammability	No data available.
Lower/Upper explosion limit	No data available.
Flash Point	No data available.
Auto-ignition temperature	No data available.
Decomposition temperature	No data available.
pH	No data available.
Kinematic viscosity	No data available.
Solubility	495 g/L @ 25 °C
Partition coefficient n-octanol/water	No data available.
Vapour pressure	No data available.
Density/relative density	2.300
Relative vapour pressure	No data available.
Particle characteristics	No data available.

9.2 **Other information**

No data available.

10. **Stability and reactivity**

10.1 **Reactivity**

Stable under recommended transport or storage conditions.

10.2 **Chemical stability**

Stable under normal conditions.

10.3 **Possibility of hazardous reactions**

**Hazardous reactions**

Decomposition may occur on exposure to conditions or materials listed below. Hazardous reactions will not occur under normal transport or storage conditions.

10.4 **Conditions to avoid**

Heat.

10.5 **Incompatible materials**

**Materials to avoid**

Strong acids. Strong oxidising agents.

11. **Toxicological information**

11.1 **Information on toxicological effects**

a) **Acute toxicity**

No data available.

b) **Skin corrosion/irritation**

No data available.

c) **Serious eye damage/irritation**

Serious eye damage/eye irritation (Category 1)

d) **Respiratory or skin sensitisation**

No data available.

e) **Germ cell mutagenicity**

No data available.

f) **Carcinogenicity**

No data available.

g) **Reproductive toxicity**

No data available.

h) **STOT-single exposure**

No data available.

i) **STOT-repeated exposure**

No data available.

j) **Aspiration hazard**

No data available.

11.2 **Symptoms / routes of exposure**

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<b>Eye contact</b>	Corneal burns may occur. May cause permanent damage.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Blood may be vomited. Corrosive burns may appear around the lips. There may be bleeding from the mouth or nose.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Exposure may cause coughing or wheezing. There may be shortness of breath with a burning sensation in the throat.

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Other information	No data available.
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## 12. Ecological information

### 12.1 Toxicity

No data available.

### 12.2 Persistence and degradability

Biodegradable.

### 12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

No bioaccumulation potential.

### 12.4 Mobility in soil

Readily absorbed into soil.

### 12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

This substance is not identified as a PBT substance.

### 12.6 Endocrine disrupting properties

This substance is not identified as having endocrine disrupting properties

### 12.7 Other adverse effects

No data available.

## 13. Disposal considerations

### 13.1 Waste treatment methods

#### Disposal operations

Transfer to a suitable container and arrange for collection by specialised disposal company.

#### NB

The user's attention is drawn to the possible existence of regional or national regulations regarding disposal.

## 14. Transport information

This product does not require a classification for transport.

## 15. Regulatory information

### 15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

This Safety Data Sheet is prepared in accordance with Commission Regulation (EC) 1907/2006, amended by Commission Regulation (EU) 2020/787.

#### Authorisations/Restrictions

Regulation (EC) 1907/2006, REACH, Annex XIV list of substances subject to authorisation:	No data available.
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Regulation (EC) 1907/2006, REACH, Annex XVII restrictions on the manufacture, placing on the market and use of certain dangerous substances:	No data available.
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Regulation (EC) 1005/2009 on substances that deplete the ozone layer:	No data available.
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Regulation (EC) 850/2004 on persistent organic pollutants, amended by (EU) No 2019/1021:	No data available.
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### 15.2 Chemical safety assessment

A chemical safety assessment has not been carried out for the substance or the mixture by the supplier.

## 16. Other information

### H-Statement Full Texts

H318	Causes serious eye damage
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### Abbreviations Full Texts

ADN	European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterways
ADR	European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road
ALARP	As low as is reasonably practicable
CAS	Chemical Abstracts Service
CLP	Classification, Labelling and Packaging Regulations
COSHH	Control of Substances Hazardous to Health
EC Number	European Community Number
EC50	Effective Concentration 50%
EILINCS	European List of Notified Chemical Substances
EINECS	European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances
GHS	Globally Harmonised System
HSE	Health & Safety Executive UK
IATA	International Air Transport Association
IM	Intramuscular
IMDG	The International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code
IP	Intraperitoneal
IV	Intravascular
LD50	Lethal Dose 50%
LOEC	Lowest Observable Effective Concentration
LTEL	Long Term Exposure Limit
NOEC	No Observable Effective Concentration
OECD	Organisation for Economic Cooperations and Development
PBT	Persistent Bioaccumulative Toxic
PPE	Personal Protective Equipment
REACH	Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals
RID	Regulations Concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail
SC	Subcutaneous
SDS	Safety Data Sheet
STEL	Short Term Exposure Limit
VOC	Volatile Organic Compounds
vPvB	Very Persistent and Very Bioaccumulative
WEL	Workplace Exposure Limits

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