



## Safety Data Sheet

### SECTION 1: Identification

#### 1.1. Product Identifier

**Trade Name or Designation:** Potassium Peroxydisulfate, ACS Reagent Grade  
(Potassium Persulfate)

**Product Number:** RDCP0640

**Other Identifying Product Numbers:** RDCP0640-500B1

#### 1.2. Recommended Use and Restrictions on Use

General Laboratory Reagent

#### 1.3. Details of the Supplier of the Safety Data Sheet

**Company:** Ricca Chemical Company

**Address:** 448 West Fork Drive  
Arlington, TX 76012 USA

**Telephone:** 888-467-4222

#### 1.4. Emergency Telephone Number (24 hr)

CHEMTREC (USA) 800-424-9300  
CHEMTREC (International) 1+ 703-527-3887

### SECTION 2: Hazard(s) Identification

#### 2.1. Classification of the Substance or Mixture (in accordance with OSHA HCS 29 CFR 1910.1200)

*For the full text of the Hazard and Precautionary Statements listed below, see Section 16.*

Hazard Class	Category	Hazard Statement	Precautionary Statements
Acute Toxicity - Oral	Category 4	H302	P264, P270, P301+P312, P330, P501
Skin Corrosion / Irritation	Category 2	H315	P264, P280, P302+P352, P321, P332+P313, P362
Eye Damage / Irritation	Category 2A	H319	P264, P280, P305+P351+P338, P337+P313
Respiratory Sensitizer	Category 1	H334	P261, P285, P304+P341, P342+P311, P501
Skin Sensitizer	Category 1	H317	P261, P272, P280, P302+P352, P332+P313, P321, P363, P501
Specific Target Organs/Systemic Toxicity Following Single Exposure	Category 2	H371	P260, P264, P270, P308+P311, P405, P501
Oxidizing Solids	Category 3	H272	P210, P220, P221, P280, P370+P378, P501
Hazardous to the Aquatic Environment (Acute)	Category 3	H402	P273, P501



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### 2.2. GHS Label Elements

Pictograms:



Signal Word: **Danger**

Hazard Statements:

Hazard Number	Hazard Statement
H272	May intensify fire; oxidizer.
H302	Harmful if swallowed.
H315	Causes skin irritation.
H317	May cause an allergic skin reaction.
H319	Causes serious eye irritation.
H334	May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled.
H371	May cause damage to organs.
H402	Harmful to aquatic life.

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### Precautionary Statements:

Precautionary Number	Precautionary Statement
P210	Keep away from heat, sparks and open flame. No smoking.
P220	Keep away from clothing and other combustible materials.
P221	Take any precaution to avoid mixing with combustibles.
P260	Do not breathe dust/fumes.
P261	Avoid breathing dust/fumes.
P264	Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling.
P270	Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
P272	Contaminated work clothing must not be allowed out of the workplace.
P273	Avoid release to the environment.
P280	Wear protective gloves and eye protection.
P285	In case of inadequate ventilation wear respiratory protection.
P301+P312	IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or physician if you feel unwell.
P302+P352	IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.
P304+P341	IF INHALED: If breathing is difficult, 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.
P308+P311	IF exposed or concerned: Call a POISON CENTER or physician.
P321	Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water).
P330	Rinse mouth.
P332+P313	If skin irritation occurs: Get medical attention.
P337+P313	If eye irritation persists: Get medical attention.
P342+P311	If experiencing respiratory symptoms: Call a POISON CENTER or physician.
P362	Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.
P363	Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.
P370+P378	In case of fire: Use dry chemical, foam or carbon dioxide to extinguish.
P405	Store locked up.
P501	Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

### 2.3. WHMIS Classification

WHMIS classification is not included based on the recommended option (Option 4) found in the Canada Gazette Part II, Vol. 149, No.3, page 458

### 2.4. Hazards not Otherwise Classified or Covered by GHS

Data not available.



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### SECTION 3: Composition / Information on Ingredients

#### 3.1. Components of Substance or Mixture

Chemical Name	Formula	Molecular Weight	CAS Number	Weight%
Potassium Persulfate	$K_2S_2O_8$	270.32 g/mol	7727-21-1	100.00%

### SECTION 4: First-Aid Measures

#### 4.1. General First Aid Information

**Eye Contact:** IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. May cause irritation, redness, pain, and tearing.

**Inhalation:** IF INHALED: If breathing is difficult, remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.

**Skin Contact:** IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water. May cause irritation, allergic reaction and rash.

**Ingestion:** IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or physician if you feel unwell. Do not induce vomiting. Give large quantity of water. Call a physician immediately.

#### 4.2. Most Important Symptoms and Effects, Acute and Delayed

DANGER! Strong oxidizer. Contact with other material may cause fire. Harmful if swallowed or inhaled. Causes irritation to skin and eyes. May cause allergic skin or respiratory reaction. EYE CONTACT: May cause irritation, redness, pain, and tearing. SKIN CONTACT: May cause irritation, allergic reaction and rash. CHRONIC EFFECTS / CARCINOGENICITY: Prolonged or repeated exposure may cause dermatitis.

#### 4.3. Medical Attention or Special Treatment Needed

Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water).

### SECTION 5: Fire-Fighting Measures

#### 5.1. Extinguishing Media

In case of fire: Use dry chemical, foam or carbon dioxide to extinguish. Use dry chemical, alcohol foam, or carbon dioxide for extinguishing the surrounding fire.

#### 5.2. Specific Hazards Arising from the Substance or Mixture

May intensify fire; oxidizer. Not combustible, but substance is an oxidizer and its heat of reaction with reducing agents or combustibles may cause ignition. Can react with metals to release flammable hydrogen gas. May react explosively with combustible organic or readily oxidizable materials such as: alcohols, turpentine, charcoal, organic refuse, metal powder, hydrogen sulfide, etc.

#### 5.3. Special Protective Equipment for Firefighters

Use protective clothing and breathing equipment appropriate for the surrounding fire.

### SECTION 6: Accidental Release Measures

#### 6.1. Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment and Emergency Procedures

Wear protective gloves and eye protection. In case of inadequate ventilation wear respiratory protection.



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### 6.2. Cleanup and Containment Methods and Materials

Pick up in a manner that does not generate dust. Powder may be moistened with water to aid in the clean-up.

## SECTION 7: Handling and Storage

### 7.1. Precautions for Safe Handling and Storage Conditions

Store locked up. As with all chemicals, wash hands thoroughly after handling. Avoid contact with eyes and skin. Protect from freezing and physical damage.

## SECTION 8: Exposure Controls / Personal Protection

### 8.1. Control Parameters

Chemical Name	Limit Type	Country	Exposure Limit	Information Source
Potassium Persulfate (7727-21-1)	TLV-TWA	USA	0.1 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA (as persulfate)	ACGIH - Threshold Limit Values - Time Weighted Averages (TLV-TWA)

### 8.2. Exposure Controls

**Engineering Controls:** No specific controls are needed. Normal room ventilation is adequate.

**Respiratory Protection:** In case of inadequate ventilation wear respiratory protection. A system of local or general exhaust is recommended. If necessary, wear a dust mask respirator to minimize exposure to dust particles.

**Skin Protection:** Wear protective gloves and eye protection. Chemical resistant gloves.

**Eye Protection:** Wear protective gloves and eye protection. Safety glasses or goggles.

### 8.3. Personal Protective Equipment

Wear protective gloves and eye protection. In case of inadequate ventilation wear respiratory protection. A system of local or general exhaust is recommended. If necessary, wear a dust mask respirator to minimize exposure to dust particles. Chemical resistant gloves. Safety glasses or goggles.



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### SECTION 9: Physical and Chemical Properties

#### 9.1. Basic Physical and Chemical Properties

**Appearance:** Colorless/white solid

**Physical State:** Solid

**Odor:** Data not available.

**Odor Threshold:** Data not available.

**pH:** Aqueous solution is acidic

**Melting/Freezing Point:** >170°C (decomposes)

**Initial Boiling Point /Range:** Data not available.

**Flash Point:** Data not available.

**Evaporation Rate:** Data not available.

**Flammability:** Data not available.

**Flammability/Explosive Limits:** Data not available.

**Vapor Pressure:** Data not available.

**Vapor Density:** Data not available.

**Relative Density:** 2.48

**Solubility:** Data not available.

**Partition Coefficient (n-Octanol/Water):** Data not available.

**Auto-Ignition Temperature:** Data not available.

**Decomposition Temperature:** Data not available.

**Viscosity:** Data not available.

**Explosive Properties:** Data not available.

**Oxidizing Properties:** Data not available.

### SECTION 10: Stability and Reactivity

#### 10.1. Reactivity and Chemical Stability

Unstable. Gradually decomposes losing oxygen. Decomposes more rapidly at higher temperatures. Metals other than stainless steel are apt to cause decomposition of persulfate solutions.

#### 10.2. Possibility of Hazardous Reactions

Data not available.

#### 10.3. Conditions to Avoid and Incompatible Materials

Keep away from heat, sparks and open flame. No smoking. Keep away from clothing and other combustible materials. Take any precaution to avoid mixing with combustibles. Powdered metals, phosphorus, hydrides, organic matter, halogens, acids, alkalis.



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### 10.4. Hazardous Decomposition Products

Will not occur.

## SECTION 11: Toxicological Information

### 11.1. Information on Toxicological Effects

#### Acute Toxicity - Oral Exposure:

Harmful if swallowed. Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or physician if you feel unwell. Rinse mouth. Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

#### Acute Toxicity - Dermal Exposure:

Not applicable.

#### Acute Toxicity - Inhalation Exposure:

Not applicable.

#### Acute Toxicity - Other Information:

LD50, oral, rat: 802 mg/kg.

#### Skin Corrosion and Irritation:

Causes skin irritation. Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling. Wear protective gloves and eye protection. IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water. Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water). If skin irritation occurs: Get medical attention. Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.

#### Serious Eye Damage and Irritation:

Causes serious eye irritation. Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling. Wear protective gloves and eye protection. IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. If eye irritation persists: Get medical attention.

#### Respiratory Sensitization:

May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled. Avoid breathing dust/fumes. In case of inadequate ventilation wear respiratory protection. IF INHALED: If breathing is difficult, remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. If experiencing respiratory symptoms: Call a POISON CENTER or physician. Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

#### Skin Sensitization:

May cause an allergic skin reaction. Avoid breathing dust/fumes. Contaminated work clothing must not be allowed out of the workplace. Wear protective gloves and eye protection. IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water. If skin irritation occurs: Get medical attention. Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water). Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

#### Germ Cell Mutagenicity:

Not applicable.

#### Carcinogenicity:

Not applicable.



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**Reproductive Toxicity:**

Not applicable.

**Specific Target Organ Toxicity from Single Exposure:**

May cause damage to organs. Do not breathe dust/fumes. Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. IF exposed or concerned: Call a POISON CENTER or physician. Store locked up. Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

**Specific Target Organ Toxicity from Repeated Exposure:**

Not applicable.

**Aspiration Hazard:**

Not applicable.

**Additional Toxicology Information:**

Data not available.

### SECTION 12: Ecological Information

**12.1. Ecotoxicity**

Harmful to aquatic life. Avoid release to the environment. Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

**12.2. Persistence and Degradability**

Data not available.

**12.3. Bioaccumulative Potential**

Data not available.

**12.4. Mobility in Soil**

Data not available.

**12.5. Other Adverse Ecological Effects**

Data not available.

### SECTION 13: Disposal Considerations

**13.1. Waste Treatment Methods**

Data not available.





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### SECTION 14: Transportation Information

#### 14.1. Transportation by Land - Department of Transportation (DOT, United States of America)

**Sizes:** 500 g

**UN Number:** UN1492

**Proper Shipping Name:** Potassium Persulfate

**Hazard Class:** 5.1

**Packing Group:** III

**Hazard Placard Labels:**



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**UN Number:**

**Proper Shipping Name:**

**Hazard Class:**

**Packing Group:**

**Hazard Placard Labels:**

#### 14.2. Transportation by Air - International Air Transport Association (IATA)

**Sizes:** 500 g

**UN Number:** UN1492

**Proper Shipping Name:** Potassium Persulphate

**Hazard Class:** 5.1

**Packing Group:** III

**Hazard Placard Labels:**



### SECTION 15: Regulatory Information

#### 15.1. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Hazards

Not listed.



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### 15.2. Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) 302 Extremely Hazardous Substances

Not listed.

### 15.3. Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) 311/312 Hazardous Chemicals

Not listed.

### 15.4. Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) 313 Toxic Release Inventory (TRI)

Not listed.

### 15.5. Massachusetts Right-to-Know Substance List

Potassium Persulfate (CAS # 7727-21-1): Present

### 15.6. Pennsylvania Right-to-Know Hazardous Substances

Potassium Persulfate (CAS # 7727-21-1): Present

### 15.7. New Jersey Worker and Community Right-to-Know Components

Potassium Persulfate (CAS # 7727-21-1): sn 1580

### 15.8. California Proposition 65

Not listed.

### 15.9. Canada Domestic Substances List / Non-Domestic Substances List (DSL/NDSL)

Potassium Persulfate (CAS # 7727-21-1): Present (DSL)

### 15.10. United States of America Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) List

Potassium Persulfate (CAS # 7727-21-1): Present

### 15.11. European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances (EINECS), European List of Notified Chemical Substances (ELINCS), and No Longer Polymers (NLP)

Not listed.



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### SECTION 16: Other Information

#### 16.1. Full Text of Hazard Statements and Precautionary Statements

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Store locked up.

Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

#### 16.2. Miscellaneous Hazard Classes

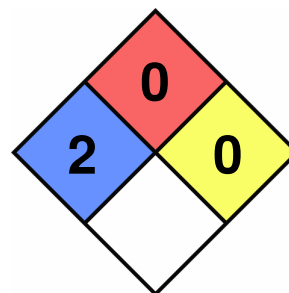
**Canadian Carcinogenicity Hazard Class:** Not Applicable.

**Physical Hazards Not Otherwise Classified (PHNOC):** Not Applicable.

**Health Hazards Not Otherwise Classified (HHNOC):** Not Applicable.  
Not Applicable.

#### 16.3. National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Rating

**Health:** 2  
**Flammability:** 0  
**Reactivity:** 0  
**Special Hazard:**





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### 16.4. Document Revision

**Last Revision Date:** 5/1/2015

### DISCLAIMER

When handled properly by qualified personnel, the product described herein does not present a significant health or safety hazard. Alteration of its characteristics by concentration, evaporation, addition of other substances, or other means may present hazards not specifically addressed herein and which must be evaluated by the user. The information furnished herein is believed to be accurate and represents the best data currently available to us. No warranty, expressed or implied, is made and RICCA CHEMICAL COMPANY assumes no legal responsibility or liability whatsoever resulting from its use.