

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

BLACKMAX® 22 0-0-4



## Section 1. Identification

**Product identifier** : BLACKMAX® 22 0-0-4  
**Product code** : 270  
**Product type** : Liquid.

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

<b>Identified uses</b>
Fertilizer.
<b>Uses advised against</b>
Not available.

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**Emergency telephone number (with hours of operation)** : CHEMTREC: 1-800-424-9300 (24 hrs)  
Medical Emergencies: 1-866-944-8565 (24 hrs)

## Section 2. Hazard identification

**OSHA/HCS status** : This material is considered hazardous by the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200).

**Classification of the substance or mixture** : CORROSIVE TO METALS - Category 1  
SKIN IRRITATION - Category 2  
EYE IRRITATION - Category 2A

### GHS label elements

**Hazard pictograms** :



**Signal word** : Warning

**Hazard statements** : May be corrosive to metals.  
Causes skin irritation.  
Causes serious eye irritation.

### Precautionary statements

**General** : Read label before use. Keep out of reach of children. If medical advice is needed, have product container or label at hand.

**Prevention** : Wear protective gloves. Wear eye or face protection. Keep only in original packaging. Wash thoroughly after handling.

## Section 2. Hazard identification

- Response** : Absorb spillage to prevent material damage. Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse. IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of water. If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice or attention. 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 advice or attention.
- Storage** : Store in a corrosion resistant container with a resistant inner liner.
- Disposal** : Not applicable.

## Section 3. Composition/information on ingredients

**Substance/mixture** : Mixture

Ingredient name	% (w/w)	CAS number
potassium hydroxide	0.1 - 1	1310-58-3

There are no additional ingredients present which, within the current knowledge of the supplier and in the concentrations applicable, are classified and hence require reporting in this section.

Occupational exposure limits, if available, are listed in Section 8.

## Section 4. First-aid measures

### Description of necessary first aid measures

- Eye contact** : Begin eye irrigation immediately. Exposures to eye irritants may require medical evaluation following decontamination if pain or irritation persists. Immediately rinse eyes with large quantities of water or saline for a minimum of 15 minutes. If possible, remove contact lenses being careful not to cause additional eye damage. If the initial water supply is insufficient, keep the affected area wet with a moist cloth and transfer the person to the nearest place where rinsing can be continued for the recommended length of time. For additional advice call the medical emergency number on this SDS or your poison center or doctor.
- Inhalation** : Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. If not breathing, if breathing is irregular or if respiratory arrest occurs, provide artificial respiration or oxygen by trained personnel. It may be dangerous to the person providing aid to give mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. Get medical attention if adverse health effects persist or are severe. If unconscious, place in recovery position and get medical attention immediately. Maintain an open airway. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband.
- Skin contact** : Flush contaminated skin with plenty of water. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Continue to rinse for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention. Wash clothing before reuse. Clean shoes thoroughly before reuse.
- Ingestion** : Wash out mouth with water. Remove dentures if any. If material has been swallowed and the exposed person is conscious, give small quantities of water to drink. Stop if the exposed person feels sick as vomiting may be dangerous. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Do not induce vomiting unless directed to do so by medical personnel. If vomiting occurs, the head should be kept low so that vomit does not enter the lungs. Get medical attention if adverse health effects persist or are severe. If unconscious, place in recovery position and get medical attention immediately. Maintain an open airway. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband.

### Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed

#### Potential acute health effects

- Eye contact** : Causes serious eye irritation.
- Inhalation** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

## Section 4. First-aid measures

- Skin contact** : Causes skin irritation.
- Ingestion** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

### Over-exposure signs/symptoms

- Eye contact** : Adverse symptoms may include the following:  
pain or irritation  
watering  
redness
- Inhalation** : No specific data.
- Skin contact** : Adverse symptoms may include the following:  
irritation  
redness
- Ingestion** : No specific data.

### Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed, if necessary

- Notes to physician** : Treat symptomatically. Contact poison treatment specialist immediately if large quantities have been ingested or inhaled.
- Specific treatments** : No specific treatment.
- Protection of first-aiders** : No action shall be taken involving any personal risk or without suitable training. Decontamination measures may be necessary. Personnel and equipment must be checked and decontaminated prior to leaving the area.

See toxicological information (Section 11)

## Section 5. Fire-fighting measures

### Extinguishing media

- Suitable extinguishing media** : Use an extinguishing agent suitable for the surrounding fire.
- Unsuitable extinguishing media** : None known.

**Specific hazards arising from the chemical** : In a fire or if heated, a pressure increase will occur and the container may burst.

**Hazardous thermal decomposition products** : Decomposition products may include the following materials:  
carbon dioxide  
carbon monoxide

**Special protective actions for fire-fighters** : Promptly isolate the scene by removing all persons from the vicinity of the incident if there is a fire. No action shall be taken involving any personal risk or without suitable training. Contain and collect the water used to fight the fire for later treatment and disposal.

**Special protective equipment for fire-fighters** : Fire-fighters should wear appropriate protective equipment and self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) with a full face-piece operated in positive pressure mode.

## Section 6. Accidental release measures

### Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

- For non-emergency personnel** : No action shall be taken involving any personal risk or without suitable training. Evacuate surrounding areas. Keep unnecessary and unprotected personnel from entering. Do not touch or walk through spilled material. Avoid breathing vapor or mist. Provide adequate ventilation. Wear appropriate respirator when ventilation is inadequate. Put on appropriate personal protective equipment.
- For emergency responders** : If specialized clothing is required to deal with the spillage, take note of any information in Section 8 on suitable and unsuitable materials. See also the information in "For non-emergency personnel".

- Environmental precautions** : Avoid dispersal of spilled material and runoff and contact with soil, waterways, drains and sewers. Inform the relevant authorities if the product has caused adverse impacts (sewers, waterways, soil or air).

### Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

- Small spill** : Stop leak if without risk. Move containers from spill area. Dilute with water and mop up if water-soluble. Alternatively, or if water-insoluble, absorb with an inert dry material and place in an appropriate waste disposal container. Absorb spillage to prevent material damage. Dispose of via a licensed waste disposal contractor. Use appropriate equipment to put the spilled substance in a container for reuse or disposal.
- Large spill** : Stop leak if without risk. Absorb spillage to prevent material damage. Approach release from upwind. Put on appropriate personal protective equipment (see Section 8). Move containers from spill area. Prevent entry into sewers, water courses, basements or confined areas. Use appropriate equipment to put the spilled substance in a container for reuse or disposal. Recycle to process, if possible. or  
Dispose of via a licensed waste disposal contractor. Note: see Section 1 for emergency contact information and Section 13 for waste disposal.

## Section 7. Handling and storage

### Precautions for safe handling

- Protective measures** : Read label before use. Apply this product only as specified on the label. Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Put on appropriate personal protective equipment (see Section 8). Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Do not ingest. Avoid breathing vapor or mist. Keep in the original container or an approved alternative made from a compatible material, kept tightly closed when not in use. Keep away from acids. Empty containers retain product residue and can be hazardous. Do not reuse container. Absorb spillage to prevent material damage.

- Advice on general occupational hygiene** : Eating, drinking and smoking should be prohibited in areas where this material is handled, stored and processed. Workers should wash hands and face before eating, drinking and smoking. Remove contaminated clothing and protective equipment before entering eating areas. See also Section 8 for additional information on hygiene measures.

- Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities** : Store in accordance with local regulations. CORROSIVE TO ALUMINUM. **DO NOT STORE OR TRANSPORT IN ALUMINUM CONTAINERS. Do not allow contact with aluminum parts, aluminum containers or other equipment made from aluminum.** Keep only in the original container in a cool, well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed and sealed until ready for use. Containers that have been opened must be carefully resealed and kept upright to prevent leakage. Separate from acids. Do not store in unlabeled containers. Use appropriate containment to avoid environmental contamination.

## Section 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

### Control parameters

#### Occupational exposure limits

Ingredient name	Exposure limits
potassium hydroxide	<p><b>ACGIH TLV (United States, 1/2022).</b> C: 2 mg/m<sup>3</sup></p> <p><b>NIOSH REL (United States, 10/2020).</b> CEIL: 2 mg/m<sup>3</sup></p> <p><b>CA Alberta Provincial:</b> (Canada, 6/2018). C: 2 mg/m<sup>3</sup></p> <p><b>CA Ontario Provincial (Canada, 6/2019).</b> Ceiling Limit: 2 mg/m<sup>3</sup></p> <p><b>CA Quebec Provincial.</b> (Canada, 6/2021). STEV: 2 mg/m<sup>3</sup> 15 minutes.</p> <p><b>Saskatchewan Provincial:</b> (Canada, 7/2013). CEIL: 2 mg/m<sup>3</sup></p> <p><b>British Columbia Provincial:</b> (Canada, 3/2022). C: 2 mg/m<sup>3</sup></p>

#### **Appropriate engineering controls**

: Good general ventilation should be sufficient to control worker exposure to airborne contaminants. Ensure proper process control to avoid discharge (temperature, pressure concentration, pH value, time).

#### **Environmental exposure controls**

: Emissions from ventilation or work process equipment should be checked to ensure they comply with the requirements of environmental protection legislation. In some cases, fume scrubbers, filters or engineering modifications to the process equipment will be necessary to reduce emissions to acceptable levels.

### Individual protection measures

**Contact your personal protective equipment manufacturer to verify the compatibility of the equipment for the intended purpose.**

#### **General information**

: Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.

#### **Hygiene measures**

: Wash hands, forearms and face thoroughly after handling chemical products, before eating, smoking and using the lavatory and at the end of the working period. Appropriate techniques should be used to remove potentially contaminated clothing. Wash contaminated clothing before reusing. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

#### **Eye/face protection**

: Safety eyewear complying with an approved standard should be used when a risk assessment indicates this is necessary to avoid exposure to liquid splashes, mists, gases or dusts. If contact is possible, the following protection should be worn, unless the assessment indicates a higher degree of protection: chemical splash goggles.

#### **Skin protection**

##### **Hand protection**

: Chemical-resistant, impervious gloves complying with an approved standard should be worn at all times when handling chemical products if a risk assessment indicates this is necessary. Considering the parameters specified by the glove manufacturer, check during use that the gloves are still retaining their protective properties. It should be noted that the time to breakthrough for any glove material may be different for different glove manufacturers. In the case of mixtures, consisting of several substances, the protection time of the gloves cannot be accurately estimated.

## Section 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

- Body protection** : Personal protective equipment for the body should be selected based on the task being performed and the risks involved and should be approved by a specialist before handling this product.
- Other skin protection** : Appropriate footwear and any additional skin protection measures should be selected based on the task being performed and the risks involved and should be approved by a specialist before handling this product.
- Respiratory protection** : Based on the hazard and potential for exposure, select a respirator that meets the appropriate standard or certification. Respirators must be used according to a respiratory protection program to ensure proper fitting, training, and other important aspects of use.  
For U.S. work sites where respiratory protection is required, ensure that a respiratory protection program meeting 29 CFR 1910.134 requirements is in place.

## Section 9. Physical and chemical properties and safety characteristics

The conditions of measurement of all properties are at standard temperature and pressure unless otherwise indicated.

### Appearance

- Physical state** : Liquid.
- Color** : Black.
- Odor** : Mild.
- Odor threshold** : Not available.
- pH** : 12 to 13
- Melting point/freezing point** : Not available.
- Boiling point, initial boiling point, and boiling range** : 100°C (212°F)
- Flash point** : Not available.
- Evaporation rate** : Not available.
- Flammability** : Not available.
- Lower and upper explosion limit/flammability limit** : Not available.
- Vapor pressure** : 2.3 kPa (17 mm Hg)
- Relative vapor density** : Not available.
- Relative density** : Not available.
- Density** : 1.2 g/cm<sup>3</sup>
- Bulk density** : 10 lb/gal
- Solubility in water** : Soluble.
- Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water** : Not applicable.
- Auto-ignition temperature** : Not available.
- Decomposition temperature** : Not available.
- Viscosity** : Dynamic: 20 mPa·s (20 cP)
- Particle characteristics**
- Median particle size** : Not applicable.

## Section 10. Stability and reactivity

- Reactivity** : No specific test data related to reactivity available for this product or its ingredients.
- Chemical stability** : The product is stable.
- Possibility of hazardous reactions** : Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous reactions will not occur.
- Conditions to avoid** : Keep away from incompatible materials.
- Incompatible materials** : CORROSIVE TO ALUMINUM. **DO NOT STORE OR TRANSPORT IN ALUMINUM CONTAINERS. Do not allow contact with aluminum parts, aluminum containers or other equipment made from aluminum.** Contact your sales representative or a metallurgical specialist to ensure compatability with your equipment. Keep away from acids.
- Hazardous decomposition products** : Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous decomposition products should not be produced.

## Section 11. Toxicological information

### Information on toxicological effects

#### Acute toxicity

Product/ingredient name	Result	Species	Dose	Exposure
potassium hydroxide	LD50 Oral	Rat	273 mg/kg	-

#### Irritation/Corrosion

Product/ingredient name	Result	Species	Score	Exposure	Observation
potassium hydroxide	Eyes - Moderate irritant	Rabbit	-	24 hours 1 mg	-
	Skin - Severe irritant	Guinea pig	-	24 hours 50 mg	-
	Skin - Severe irritant	Human	-	24 hours 50 mg	-
	Skin - Severe irritant	Rabbit	-	24 hours 50 mg	-

#### Conclusion/Summary

- Skin** : Causes skin irritation.
- Eyes** : Causes serious eye irritation.
- Respiratory** : No significant irritation expected other than possible mechanical irritation.

#### Sensitization

Not available.

#### Conclusion/Summary

- Skin** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.
- Respiratory** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

#### Mutagenicity

Not available.

- Conclusion/Summary** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

#### Carcinogenicity

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Not available.

**Conclusion/Summary** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

### Reproductive toxicity

Not available.

**Conclusion/Summary** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

### Teratogenicity

Not available.

**Conclusion/Summary** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

### Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)

Not available.

### Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure)

Not available.

### Aspiration hazard

Not available.

**Information on the likely routes of exposure** : Dermal contact. Eye contact.

### Potential acute health effects

**Eye contact** : Causes serious eye irritation.

**Inhalation** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

**Skin contact** : Causes skin irritation.

**Ingestion** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

### Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics

**Eye contact** : Adverse symptoms may include the following:  
pain or irritation  
watering  
redness

**Inhalation** : No specific data.

**Skin contact** : Adverse symptoms may include the following:  
irritation  
redness

**Ingestion** : No specific data.

### Delayed and immediate effects and also chronic effects from short and long term exposure

#### Short term exposure

**Potential immediate effects** : See above.

**Potential delayed effects** : See below.

#### Long term exposure

**Potential immediate effects** : See above.

**Potential delayed effects** : See below.

### Potential chronic health effects

Not available.



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- Conclusion/Summary** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.  
**General** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.  
**Carcinogenicity** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.  
**Mutagenicity** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.  
**Reproductive toxicity** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

### Numerical measures of toxicity

#### Acute toxicity estimates

Product/ingredient name	Oral (mg/kg)	Dermal (mg/kg)	Inhalation (gases) (ppm)	Inhalation (vapors) (mg/l)	Inhalation (dusts and mists) (mg/l)
potassium hydroxide	273	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

**Other information** : Not available.

## Section 12. Ecological information

### Toxicity

Product/ingredient name	Result	Species	Exposure
potassium hydroxide	Acute LC50 80 ppm Fresh water	Fish - Gambusia affinis - Adult	96 hours

**Conclusion/Summary** : Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met. May be harmful to the environment if released in large quantities. Apply this product only as specified on the label.

### Persistence and degradability

Not available.

### Bioaccumulative potential

Not available.

### Mobility in soil

**Soil/water partition coefficient (K<sub>oc</sub>)** : Not available.




**Other adverse effects** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

## Section 13. Disposal considerations

**Disposal methods** : Read label before use. Apply this product only as specified on the label. Care should be taken when handling emptied containers that have not been cleaned or rinsed out. Triple- or pressure-rinse the empty container. Add the rinsings to the spray mixture in the tank. Disposal should be in accordance with applicable regional, national and local laws and regulations. Recycling decontaminated containers is the best option of container disposal.

## Section 14. Transport information

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	TDG	DOT	IMDG	IATA
<b>UN number</b>	UN1719	Not regulated. (See remarks below)	UN1719	UN1719
<b>UN proper shipping name</b>	CAUSTIC ALKALI LIQUID, N.O.S. (potassium hydroxide)	-	CAUSTIC ALKALI LIQUID, N.O.S. (potassium hydroxide)	CAUSTIC ALKALI LIQUID, N.O.S. (potassium hydroxide)
<b>Transport hazard class(es)</b>	8 	-	8 	8 
<b>Packing group</b>	III	-	III	III
<b>Marine pollutant</b>	No.	No.	No.	No.

### Additional information

- TDG** : Product classified as per the following sections of the Transportation of Dangerous Goods Regulations: 2.40-2.42 (Class 8).
- DOT** : **Remarks** This product is not a hazardous material when transported by road or rail within the USA when transported in a packaging constructed of materials that will not react dangerously or be degraded by this product. (See 49 CFR § 173.154 (d) Materials corrosive to aluminum only.)
- IATA** : **Quantity limitation** Passenger and Cargo Aircraft: 5 L. Cargo Aircraft Only: 60 L.

**Special precautions for user** : **DO NOT STORE OR TRANSPORT IN ALUMINUM CONTAINERS. Do not allow contact with aluminum parts, aluminum containers or other equipment made from aluminum.**

## Section 15. Regulatory information

### Canadian lists

- Canadian NPRI** : None of the components are listed.
- CEPA Toxic substances** : None of the components are listed.

### International regulations

#### Chemical Weapon Convention List Schedules I, II & III Chemicals

Not listed.

#### Montreal Protocol

Not listed.

#### Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants

Not listed.

#### Rotterdam Convention on Prior Informed Consent (PIC)

Not listed.

#### UNECE Aarhus Protocol on POPs and Heavy Metals

Not listed.

### Inventory list

- Australia** : Not determined.

## Section 15. Regulatory information

<b>Canada</b>	: At least one component is not listed in DSL but all such components are listed in NDSL.
<b>China</b>	: All components are listed or exempted.
<b>Japan</b>	: <b>Japan inventory (CSCL):</b> Not determined. <b>Japan inventory (ISHL):</b> Not determined.
<b>New Zealand</b>	: Not determined.
<b>Philippines</b>	: Not determined.
<b>Republic of Korea</b>	: All components are listed or exempted.
<b>Taiwan</b>	: All components are listed or exempted.
<b>Thailand</b>	: Not determined.
<b>Turkey</b>	: Not determined.
<b>United States</b>	: All components are active or exempted.
<b>Viet Nam</b>	: All components are listed or exempted.
<b>U.S. Federal regulations</b>	: <b>TSCA 8(a) CDR Exempt/Partial exemption:</b> Not determined <b>Clean Water Act (CWA) 311:</b> potassium hydroxide

**Clean Air Act Section 112(b) Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs)** : Listed

**Clean Air Act Section 602 Class I Substances** : Not listed

**Clean Air Act Section 602 Class II Substances** : Not listed

**DEA List I Chemicals (Precursor Chemicals)** : Not listed

**DEA List II Chemicals (Essential Chemicals)** : Not listed

### SARA 302/304

#### Composition/information on ingredients

No products were found.

### SARA 311/312

**Classification** : CORROSIVE TO METALS - Category 1  
SKIN IRRITATION - Category 2  
EYE IRRITATION - Category 2A

#### Composition/information on ingredients

Name	%	Classification
potassium hydroxide	0.1 - 1	ACUTE TOXICITY (oral) - Category 4 SKIN CORROSION - Category 1A SERIOUS EYE DAMAGE - Category 1

### State regulations

**Massachusetts** : None of the components are listed.

**New York** : None of the components are listed.

**New Jersey** : None of the components are listed.

**Pennsylvania** : None of the components are listed.

### California Prop. 65

## Section 15. Regulatory information

**⚠ WARNING:** This product can expose you to chemicals including Nickel, which are known to the State of California to cause cancer. For more information go to [www.P65Warnings.ca.gov](http://www.P65Warnings.ca.gov).

## Section 16. Other information

### History

**Date of issue/Date of revision** : 12/6/2022

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**Version** : 1.1

**Key to abbreviations** :

- ATE = Acute Toxicity Estimate
- BCF = Bioconcentration Factor
- GHS = Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals
- HPR = Hazardous Products Regulations
- IATA = International Air Transport Association
- IBC = Intermediate Bulk Container
- IMDG = International Maritime Dangerous Goods
- LogPow = logarithm of the octanol/water partition coefficient
- MARPOL = International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution From Ships, 1973 as modified by the Protocol of 1978. ("Marpol" = marine pollution)
- N/A = Not available
- SGG = Segregation Group
- UN = United Nations

### Procedure used to derive the classification

Classification	Justification
CORROSIVE TO METALS - Category 1 SKIN IRRITATION - Category 2 EYE IRRITATION - Category 2A	On basis of test data Weight of evidence Weight of evidence

✔ Indicates information that has changed from previously issued version.

### Notice to reader

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## Section 16. Other information