

# CAUSTIC POTASH ALKALINITY SOURCE

**CAUSTIC POTASH, also known as POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE (KOH)**, is a basic industrial alkali used in a variety of industrial processes. Its advantage over Caustic Soda (NaOH) in the oil well drilling industry is that it also provides a source of K<sup>+</sup> ions while at the same time giving pH control.

#### FEATURES AND BENEFITS:

- Is a strong alkali and produces a strong basic solution.
- Used to increase pH and alkalinity of drilling, workover and completion fluids.
- Provides a source of K<sup>+</sup> ion.

**RECOMMENDED TREATMENT:** as required for pH

### **PHYSICAL PROPERTIES:**

Appearance: Specific Gravity: Solubility: pH: White Flakes; odourless 2.044 @ 20°C Soluble in water 12.0

# MIXING/HANDLING: USE EXTREME CAUTION

Mix *slowly* and *carefully* through a chemical or injection barrel. ALWAYS add CAUSTIC POTASH to water; watch for bubbling and splashing. CAUSTIC POTASH is a strong alkali and produces a strong base solution when mixed with water. The reaction generates heat. CAUSTIC POTASH will cause severe burns. Refer to the SDS for specific precautions and handling requirements.

# MICROTOX<sup>®</sup> THRESHOLD: TBD

PACKAGING: 25 kg bag / 42 bags/pallet