# **SAFETY DATA SHEET**

## SOIL WETTER (NZ)

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## **1. IDENTIFICATION**

GHS Product Identifier SOIL WETTER (NZ)

Product Code 82001, 82005, 82006, 82007

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**Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use** Soil wetting and conditioning agent

#### **Additional Information**

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## 2. HAZARD IDENTIFICATION

## GHS classification of the substance/mixture

Classified as Hazardous according to the Hazardous Substances (Minimum Degrees of Hazard) Regulations 2001, New Zealand. Not classified as Dangerous Goods for transport according to the New Zealand Standard NZS 5433:2012 Transport of Dangerous Goods on Land.

6.3B Substance that is mildly irritating to the skin

Signal Word (s) WARNING

Hazard Statement (s) H316 Causes mild skin irritation.

**Precautionary statement – Prevention** 

P103 Read label before use.

Precautionary statement – Response P332+P313 If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention.

#### **Precautionary statement – Disposal**

P501 In the case of a substance that is in compliance with a HSNO approval other than a Part 6A (Group Standards) approval, a label must provide a description of one or more appropriate and achievable methods for the disposal of a substance in accordance with the Hazardous Substances (Disposal) Regulations 2001. This may also include any method of disposal that must be avoided. See Section 13 for disposal details.

## **3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

#### Ingredients

Name	CAS	Proportion
Potassium Hydroxide	1310-58-3	0.1-<0.5 %
Ingredients determined not to be hazardous, including water.		Balance

## **4. FIRST-AID MEASURES**

#### Inhalation

If inhaled, remove affected person from contaminated area. Keep at rest until recovered. If symptoms develop and/or persist seek medical attention.

## Ingestion

Do not induce vomiting. Wash out mouth thoroughly with water. Seek immediate medical attention.

#### Skin

Remove all contaminated clothing immediately. Wash affected area thoroughly with soap and water. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse or discard. Seek medical attention.

#### Eye contact

If in eyes, hold eyelids apart and flush the eyes continuously with running water. Remove contact lenses. Continue flushing for several minutes until all contaminants are washed out completely. If symptoms develop and/or persist seek medical attention.

#### First Aid Facilities

Eyewash, safety shower and normal washroom facilities.

## Advice to Doctor

Treat symptomatically.

#### **Other Information**

For advice in an emergency, contact a Poisons Information Centre or a doctor at once. (0800 764 766).

## **5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES**

#### Suitable Extinguishing Media

Use appropriate fire extinguisher for surrounding environment.

## **Hazards from Combustion Products**

Non combustible material.

#### **Specific Hazards Arising From The Chemical**

This product is non combustible. However, following evaporation of aqueous component under fire conditions, the non-aqueous component may decompose and/or burn.

#### **Decomposition Temperature**

Not available

#### Precautions in connection with Fire

Fire fighters should wear full protective clothing and self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) operated in positive pressure mode. Fight fire from safe location.

## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

#### **Emergency Procedures**

Wear appropriate personal protective equipment and clothing to prevent exposure. Increase ventilation. As a water based product, if spilt on electrical equipment the product will cause short-circuits. If possible contain the spill. Place inert absorbent material onto spillage. Collect the material and place into a suitable labelled container. Do not dilute material but contain. Dispose of waste according to the applicable local and national regulations. If contamination of sewers or waterways occurs inform the local water and waste management authorities in accordance with local regulations.

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

#### **Precautions for Safe Handling**

Avoid inhalation of vapours and mists, and skin or eye contact. Use only in a well ventilated area. Keep containers sealed when not in use. Prevent the build up of mists or vapours in the work atmosphere. Maintain high standards of personal hygiene i.e. Washing hands prior to eating, drinking, smoking or using toilet facilities.

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

Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area, out of direct sunlight. Protect from freezing. Store in suitable, labelled containers. Keep containers tightly closed. Store away from incompatible materials. Ensure that storage conditions comply with applicable local and national regulations.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

#### **Occupational exposure limit values**

No exposure standards have been established for this material. However, the available exposure limits for ingredients are listed below:

Potassium hydroxide TWA: 2 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (ceiling)

TWA (Time Weighted Average): The average airborne concentration of a particular substance when calculated over a normal eighthour working day, for a five-day week.

Ceiling: A concentration that should not be exceeded during any part of the working day.

Source: Workplace Exposure Standards and Biological Exposure Indices.

#### **Biological Limit Values**

No biological limits allocated.

#### **Appropriate Engineering Controls**

This substance is hazardous and should be used with a local exhaust ventilation system, drawing mists/vapours away from workers' breathing zone. Refer to relevant regulations for further information concerning ventilation requirements.

#### **Respiratory Protection**

If engineering controls are not effective in controlling airborne exposure then an approved respirator with a replaceable vapor/mist filter should be used. Refer to relevant regulations for further information concerning respiratory protective requirements. Reference should be made to Australian Standards AS/NZS 1715, Selection, Use and Maintenance of Respiratory Protective Devices; and AS/NZS 1716, Respiratory Protective Devices, in order to make any necessary changes for individual circumstances.

#### **Eye Protection**

Safety glasses with side shields, chemical goggles or full-face shield as appropriate should be used. Final choice of appropriate eye/ face protection will vary according to individual circumstances. Eye protection devices should conform to relevant regulations. Eye protection should conform with Australian/New Zealand Standard AS/NZS 1337(series) - Eye Protectors for Industrial Applications.

#### **Hand Protection**

Wear gloves of impervious material. Final choice of appropriate gloves will vary according to individual circumstances. i.e. methods of handling or according to risk assessments undertaken. Occupational protective gloves should conform to relevant regulations. Reference should be made to AS/NZS 2161.1: Occupational protective gloves - Selection, use and maintenance.

#### **Body Protection**

Suitable protective workwear, e.g. cotton overalls buttoned at neck and wrist is recommended. Chemical resistant apron is recommended where large quantities are handled.

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Properties	Description	Properties	Description
Form	Liquid	Appearance	Liquid
Colour	Dark brown	Odour	Seaside like odour
Decomposition Temperature	Not available	Melting Point	Not available
Boiling Point	Not available	Solubility in Water	Completely soluble
Specific Gravity	1.0 - 1.1 @ 25°C	рН	10.5 - 11.4
Vapour Pressure	Not available	Vapour Density (Air=1)	Not available
Evaporation Rate	Not available	Odour Threshold	Not available
Viscosity	Not available	Partition Coefficient: n- octanol/water	Not available
Flash Point	Not available	Flammability	Non-combustible liquid
Auto-Ignition Temperature	Not available	Flammable Limits - Lower	Not available
Flammable Limits - Upper	Not available		

## **10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

#### **Chemical Stability**

Stable under normal conditions of storage and handling.

**Reactivity and Stability** Reacts with incompatible materials

**Conditions to Avoid** Extremes of temperature and direct sunlight.

## Incompatible materials

Not available.

Hazardous Decomposition Products Thermal decomposition may result in the release of toxic and/or irritating fumes.

#### **Possibility of hazardous reactions** Not available.

Hazardous Polymerization Not available

## **11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

#### **Toxicology Information**

No toxicity data available for this product.

#### Ingestion

Ingestion of this product may irritate the gastric tract causing nausea and vomiting.

## Inhalation

Inhalation of product vapours may cause irritation of the nose, throat and respiratory system.

#### Skin

Causes mild skin irritation. Skin contact will cause redness, itching and swelling. Repeated exposure may cause skin dryness and cracking and may lead to dermatitis.

#### Eye

May be irritating to eyes. The symptoms may include redness, itching and tearing.

#### **Respiratory sensitisation** Not expected to be a respiratory sensitiser.

Skin Sensitisation

Not expected to be a skin sensitiser.

Germ cell mutagenicity Not considered to be a mutagenic hazard.

**Carcinogenicity** Not considered to be a carcinogenic hazard.

**Reproductive Toxicity** Not considered to be toxic to reproduction.

#### STOT-single exposure

Not expected to cause toxicity to a specific target organ.

**STOT-repeated exposure** Not expected to cause toxicity to a specific target organ.

Aspiration Hazard Not expected to be an aspiration hazard.

## **12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

#### Ecotoxicity

No ecological data available for this material.

Persistence and degradability Not available

**Mobility** Not available

**Bioaccumulative Potential** Not available

Other Adverse Effects Not available

**Environmental Protection** Prevent this material entering waterways, drains and sewers.

## **13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

#### **Disposal considerations**

Product Disposal:

Product wastes are controlled wastes and should be disposed of in accordance with all applicable local and national regulations. This product can be disposed through a licensed commercial waste collection service. In this specific case the product is waterbased/water-soluble and therefore can be sent through a Waste Water Treatment Plant and after treatment can be discharged into environment through the sewerage or drainage systems as authorized.

Personal protective clothing and equipment as specified in Section 8 of this SDS must be worn during handling and disposal of this product. The ventilation requirements as specified in the same section must also be followed, and the precautions given in Section 7 of this SDS regarding handling must also be followed. Do not dispose into the sewerage system. Do not discharge into drains or watercourses or dispose where ground or surface waters may be affected.

In New Zealand, the disposal agency or contractor must comply with the New Zealand Hazardous Substances (Disposal) Regulations 2001. Further details regarding disposal can be obtained on the EPA New Zealand website under specific group standards.

Container Disposal:

The container or packaging must be cleaned and rendered incapable of holding any substance. It can then be disposed of in a manner consistent with that of the substance it contained. In this instance the packaging can be disposed through a commercial waste collection service.

Alternatively, the container or packaging can be recycled if the hazardous residues have been thoroughly cleaned or rendered non-hazardous.

In New Zealand, the packaging (that may or may not hold any residual substance) that is lawfully disposed of by householders or other consumers through a public or commercial waste collection service is a means of compliance with regulations.

## **14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

#### **Transport Information**

Road and Rail Transport:

Not classified as Dangerous Goods for transport according to the New Zealand Standard NZS 5433:2012 Transport of Dangerous Goods on Land.

Marine Transport (IMO/IMDG):

Not classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG Code) for transport by sea.

Air Transport (ICAO/IATA):

Not classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the International Air Transport Association (IATA) Dangerous Goods Regulations for transport by air.

U.N. Number None Allocated

**UN proper shipping name** None Allocated

Transport hazard class(es) None Allocated

IMDG Marine pollutant No

Transport in Bulk Not available

Special Precautions for User Not available

## **15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

#### **Regulatory information**

Classified as Hazardous according to the New Zealand Hazardous Substances (Minimum Degrees of Hazard) Regulations 2001. Group Standard: Fertilisers (Subsidiary Hazard) Group Standard 2006.

HSNO Approval Number HSR002571

## **16. OTHER INFORMATION**

#### Date of preparation or last revision of SDS

SDS created: April 2020

#### References

Workplace Exposure Standards and Biological Exposure Indices. Transport of Dangerous goods on land NZS 5433. Preparation of Safety Data Sheets - Approved Code of Practice Under the HSNO Act 1996 (HSNO CoP 8-1 09-06). Assigning a hazardous substance to a group standard. American Conference of Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH).

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