Axichem Pty Ltd

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Safety Data Sheet according to WHS Regulations (Hazardous Chemicals) Amendment 2020 and ADG requirements

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SECTION 1 Identification of the substance / mixture and of the company / undertaking

Product Identifier

Product name	AC Ruffle
Chemical Name	Not Applicable
Synonyms	Not Available
Chemical formula	Not Applicable
Other means of identification	Not Available

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

Selective herbicide for the control of climbing buckwheat, common sowthistle, skeleton weed, capeweed, doublegee and other broadleaf weeds in winter cereals and linseed crops.

Details of the manufacturer or supplier of the safety data sheet

Registered company name	Axichem Pty Ltd	
Address	Palings Court Nerang QLD 4211 Australia	
Telephone	07 5596 1736	
Fax	Not Available	
Website	www.axichem.com.au	
Email	msds@axichem.com.au	

Emergency telephone number

Association / Organisation	CHEMWATCH EMERGENCY RESPONSE (24/7)	
Emergency telephone numbers	+61 1800 951 288	
Other emergency telephone numbers	+61 3 9573 3188	

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SECTION 2 Hazards identification

Classification of the substance or mixture

Poisons Schedule	S5	
Classification ^[1]	Acute Toxicity (Oral) Category 4, Acute Toxicity (Dermal) Category 4, Skin Corrosion/Irritation Category 2, Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation Category 1, Acute Toxicity (Inhalation) Category 4, Carcinogenicity Category 2	
Legend:	1. Classified by Chemwatch; 2. Classification drawn from HCIS; 3. Classification drawn from Regulation (EU) No 1272/2008 - Annex VI	

Label elements

Hazard pictogram(s)







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Signal word Danger

Hazard statement(s)

H302	Harmful if swallowed.
H312	Harmful in contact with skin.
H315	Causes skin irritation.
H318	Causes serious eye damage.
H332	Harmful if inhaled.
H351	Suspected of causing cancer.

Precautionary statement(s) Prevention

P270	Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.	
P264	Wash all exposed external body areas thoroughly after handling.	
P261	P261 Avoid breathing mist/vapours/spray.	
P280	Wear protective gloves, protective clothing, eye protection and face protection.	
P271	P271 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.	
P201	P201 Obtain special instructions before use.	

Precautionary statement(s) Response

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+P313	IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/ attention.	
P310	Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor/physician/first aider.	
P301+P312	IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER/doctor/physician/first aider if you feel unwell.	
P302+P352	F ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of water.	
P304+P340	IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.	
P330	Rinse mouth.	
P332+P313	If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention.	
P362+P364	Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.	

Precautionary statement(s) Storage

P405	Store locked up.
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Precautionary statement(s) Disposal

P501 Dispose of contents/container to authorised hazardous or special waste collection point in accordance with any local reg
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SECTION 3 Composition / information on ingredients

Substances

See section below for composition of Mixtures

Mixtures

CAS No	%[weight]	Name
5221-16-9	34	MCPA potassium salt
Not Available		(420 g/L)
2545-60-0	2	picloram, potassium salt
Not Available		(26 g/L)
Not Available	0-10	ethoxylated surfactant
Not Available	0-10	ingredients non hazardous
7732-18-5	30-60	water
l egend:	1 Classified by Chemwatch: 2 Classifica	ation drawn from HCIS: 3. Classification drawn from Regulation (FLI) No. 1272/2008 -

 1. Classified by Chemwatch; 2. Classification drawn from HCIS; 3. Classification drawn from Regulation (EU) No 1272/2008 -Annex VI; 4. Classification drawn from C&L; * EU IOELVs available

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SECTION 4 First aid measures

Description of first aid measures			
Eye Contact	If this product comes in contact with the eyes: • Wash out immediately with fresh running water. • Ensure complete irrigation of the eye by keeping eyelids apart and away from eye and moving the eyelids by occasionally lifting the upper and lower lids. • Seek medical attention without delay; if pain persists or recurs seek medical attention. • Removal of contact lenses after an eye injury should only be undertaken by skilled personnel.		
Skin Contact	If skin contact occurs: Immediately remove all contaminated clothing, including footwear. Flush skin and hair with running water (and soap if available). Seek medical attention in event of irritation.		
Inhalation	 If fumes or combustion products are inhaled remove from contaminated area. Lay patient down. Keep warm and rested. Prostheses such as false teeth, which may block airway, should be removed, where possible, prior to initiating first aid procedures. Apply artificial respiration if not breathing, preferably with a demand valve resuscitator, bag-valve mask device, or pocket mask as trained. Perform CPR if necessary. Transport to hospital, or doctor. 		
Ingestion	 If swallowed do NOT induce vomiting. If vomiting occurs, lean patient forward or place on left side (head-down position, if possible) to maintain open airway and prevent aspiration. Observe the patient carefully. Never give liquid to a person showing signs of being sleepy or with reduced awareness; i.e. becoming unconscious. Give water to rinse out mouth, then provide liquid slowly and as much as casualty can comfortably drink. Seek medical advice. 		

Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Following exposures to chlorophenoxy compounds:

- Acute toxic reactions are rare. The by-product of production, dioxin, may be implicated in subacute features such as hepatic enlargement, chloracne, neuromuscular symptoms and deranged porphyrin metabolism.
- Large intentional overdoses result in coma, metabolic acidosis, myalgias, muscle weakness, elevated serum creatine kinase, myoglobinuria, irritation of the skin, eyes, respiratory tract and gut and mild renal and hepatic dysfunction.
- Several cases of sensorimotor peripheral neuropathies have been associated with chronic dermal exposure to 2,4-D. For acute exposures the usual methods of gut and skin contamination (lavage, charcoal, cathartic) are recommended in the first several hours. Alkalisation of the urine and generous fluid replacement have the added benefit of treating any myoglobinuria present. Monitor metabolic acidosis, hyperthermia, hyperkalaemia, myoglobinuria and hepatic/renal dysfunction. for 2,4-dichlorophenoxyacetic acid (2,4-D) and its derivatives
- ▶ Gastric lavage if there are no signs of impending convulsions.
- Cautious administration of short-acting anticonvulsant drug if convulsions appear imminent.
- General supportive measures for central nervous system depression.
- If hypotension appears, search vigorously for a contributing cause (e.g. dehydration, electrolyte balance, acidosis, myocardial disturbances and hyperpyrexia).
- As appropriate, treat dehydration, electrolyte disturbances, acidosis, and hyperexia.
- To promote excretion of 2,4-D, initiate alkaline diuresis, as in salicylate poisoning by injecting sodium bicarbonate, intravenously, until the urine pH exceeds 7.5 and then infuse mannitol; renal clearance rises sharply as urine pH rises above 7.5 above pH 8.0, it is said to be 100-fold greater than pH 6.0.
- If cardiac disturbances are suspected, monitor ECG continuously when possible. Prepare to deliver defibrillating shocks in the event of ventricular fibrillation.
- If hypotension intensifies, a trial with a vasopressor drug may be appropriate. Adrenalin (epinephrine) should be avoided because of possible fibrillation.
- If myotonia appears, a trial with quinidine may be helpful.
- Physiotherapy may be necessary for motion disorders associated with peripheral neuritis, myopathy or brain stem dysfunction.

GOSSELIN, SMITH HODGE: Clinical Toxicology of Commercial Products, 5th Ed.

In general, chlorophenoxy herbicides are rapidly absorbed from the gastrointestinal tract and evenly distributed throughout the body; accumulation in human tissues is not expected A steady-state level in the human body will be achieved within 3–5 days of exposure. The herbicides are eliminated mainly in the urine, mostly unchanged, although fenoprop may be conjugated to a significant extent Biological half-lives of chlorophenoxy herbicides in mammals range from 10 to 33 h; between 75% and 95% of the ingested amount is excreted within 96 h. Dogs appear to retain chlorophenoxy acids longer than other species as a result of relatively poor urinary clearance and thus may be more susceptible to their toxic effects. Metabolic conversions occur only at high doses. The salt and ester forms are rapidly hydrolysed and follow the same pharmacokinetic pathways as the free acids

SECTION 5 Firefighting measures

Extinguishing media

- ▶ There is no restriction on the type of extinguisher which may be used.
- Use extinguishing media suitable for surrounding area.

Special hazards arising from the substrate or mixture

Fire Incompatibility

None known

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Advice for firefighters

Fire Fighting	 Alert Fire Brigade and tell them location and nature of hazard. Wear breathing apparatus plus protective gloves in the event of a fire. Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water courses. Use fire fighting procedures suitable for surrounding area. DO NOT approach containers suspected to be hot. Cool fire exposed containers with water spray from a protected location. If safe to do so, remove containers from path of fire. Equipment should be thoroughly decontaminated after use.
Fire/Explosion Hazard	 Non combustible. Not considered to be a significant fire risk. Expansion or decomposition on heating may lead to violent rupture of containers. Decomposes on heating and may produce toxic fumes of carbon monoxide (CO). May emit acrid smoke. Other decomposition products include: hydrogen chloride nitrogen oxides (NOx) and phosgene
HAZCHEM	Not Applicable

SECTION 6 Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

See section 8

Environmental precautions

See section 12

Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Minor Spills	 Clean up all spills immediately. Avoid breathing vapours and contact with skin and eyes. Control personal contact with the substance, by using protective equipment. Contain and absorb spill with sand, earth, inert material or vermiculite. Wipe up. Place in a suitable, labelled container for waste disposal.
Major Spills	 Minor hazard. Clear area of personnel. Alert Fire Brigade and tell them location and nature of hazard. Control personal contact with the substance, by using protective equipment as required. Prevent spillage from entering drains or water ways. Contain spill with sand, earth or vermiculite. Collect recoverable product into labelled containers for recycling. Absorb remaining product with sand, earth or vermiculite and place in appropriate containers for disposal. Wash area and prevent runoff into drains or waterways. If contamination of drains or waterways occurs, advise emergency services.

Personal Protective Equipment advice is contained in Section 8 of the SDS.

SECTION 7 Handling and storage

Precautions for safe handling

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 Limit all unnecessary personal contact. Wear protective clothing when risk of exposure occurs. Use in a well-ventilated area. Avoid contact with incompatible materials. When handling, DO NOT eat, drink or smoke. Keep containers securely sealed when not in use. Avoid physical damage to containers. Always wash hands with soap and water after handling. Work clothes should be laundered separately. Use good occupational work practice. Observe manufacturer's storage and handling recommendations contained within this SDS. Atmosphere should be regularly checked against established exposure standards to ensure safe working conditions are maintained.

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Other information

- Store in original containers.
- Keep containers securely sealed.
- ▶ Store in a cool, dry, well ventilated area.
- DO NOT allow to freeze.
- Store away from incompatible materials.
- Protect containers against physical damage and check regularly for leaks.
- ▶ Observe manufacturer's storage and handling recommendations contained within this SDS.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Suitable container

- ▶ Polyethylene or polypropylene container.
- Check all containers are clearly labelled and free from leaks.

Storage incompatibility

Avoid storage with oxidisers

SECTION 8 Exposure controls / personal protection

Control parameters

Occupational Exposure Limits (OEL)

INGREDIENT DATA

Not Available

Emergency Limits

Ingredient	TEEL-1	TEEL-2	TEEL-3
AC Ruffle	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available

Ingredient	Original IDLH	Revised IDLH
MCPA potassium salt	Not Available	Not Available
picloram, potassium salt	Not Available	Not Available
water	Not Available	Not Available

Occupational Exposure Banding

Ingredient	Occupational Exposure Band Rating	Occupational Exposure Band Limit	
MCPA potassium salt	С	> 0.1 to ≤ milligrams per cubic meter of air (mg/m³)	
picloram, potassium salt	Е	≤ 0.01 mg/m³	
Notes:	Occupational exposure banding is a process of assigning chemicals into specific categories or bands based on a chemical's potency and the adverse health outcomes associated with exposure. The output of this process is an occupational exposure band (OEB), which corresponds to a range of exposure concentrations that are expected to protect worker health.		

MATERIAL DATA

None assigned. Refer to individual constituents.

Exposure controls

Engineering controls are used to remove a hazard or place a barrier between the worker and the hazard. Well-designed engineering controls can be highly effective in protecting workers and will typically be independent of worker interactions to provide this high level of protection.

The basic types of engineering controls are:

Process controls which involve changing the way a job activity or process is done to reduce the risk.

Enclosure and/or isolation of emission source which keeps a selected hazard "physically" away from the worker and ventilation that strategically "adds" and "removes" air in the work environment. Ventilation can remove or dilute an air contaminant if designed properly. The design of a ventilation system must match the particular process and chemical or contaminant in use. Employers may need to use multiple types of controls to prevent employee overexposure.

Appropriate engineering controls

General exhaust is adequate under normal operating conditions. If risk of overexposure exists, wear SAA approved respirator. Correct fit is essential to obtain adequate protection. Provide adequate ventilation in warehouse or closed storage areas. Air contaminants generated in the workplace possess varying "escape" velocities which, in turn, determine the "capture velocities" of fresh circulating air required to effectively remove the contaminant.

Type of Contaminant:	Air Speed:
solvent, vapours, degreasing etc., evaporating from tank (in still air)	0.25-0.5 m/s (50-100 f/min)
aerosols, fumes from pouring operations, intermittent container filling, low speed conveyer transfers, welding, spray drift, plating acid fumes, pickling (released at low velocity into zone of active	0.5-1 m/s (100-200 f/min.)

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generation)	
direct spray, spray painting in shallow booths, drum filling, conveyer loading, crusher dusts, gas discharge (active generation into zone of rapid air motion)	1-2.5 m/s (200-500 f/min)
grinding, abrasive blasting, tumbling, high speed wheel generated dusts (released at high initial velocity into zone of very high rapid air motion).	2.5-10 m/s (500-2000 f/min.)

Within each range the appropriate value depends on:

Lower end of the range	Upper end of the range	
1: Room air currents minimal or favourable to capture	1: Disturbing room air currents	
2: Contaminants of low toxicity or of nuisance value only	2: Contaminants of high toxicity	
3: Intermittent, low production.	3: High production, heavy use	
4: Large hood or large air mass in motion	4: Small hood - local control only	

Simple theory shows that air velocity falls rapidly with distance away from the opening of a simple extraction pipe. Velocity generally decreases with the square of distance from the extraction point (in simple cases). Therefore the air speed at the extraction point should be adjusted, accordingly, after reference to distance from the contaminating source. The air velocity at the extraction fan, for example, should be a minimum of 1-2 m/s (200-400 f/min.) for extraction of solvents generated in a tank 2 meters distant from the extraction point. Other mechanical considerations, producing performance deficits within the extraction apparatus, make it essential that theoretical air velocities are multiplied by factors of 10 or more when extraction systems are installed or used.

Spraying to be carried out in conditions conforming to local state regulations.

Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment













Eye and face protection

"Safety glasses with side shields

Chemical goggles.

Contact lenses may pose a special hazard; soft contact lenses may absorb and concentrate irritants. A written policy document, describing the wearing of lenses or restrictions on use, should be created for each workplace or task. This should include a review of lens absorption and adsorption for the class of chemicals in use and an account of injury experience. Medical and first-aid personnel should be trained in their removal and suitable equipment should be readily available. In the event of chemical exposure, begin eye irrigation immediately and remove contact lens as soon as practicable. Lens should be removed at the first signs of eye redness or irritation - lens should be removed in a clean environment only after workers have washed hands thoroughly. [CDC NIOSH Current Intelligence Bulletin 59], [AS/NZS 1336 or national equivalent]"

See Hand protection below

Hands/feet protection

- ▶ Wear chemical protective gloves, e.g. PVC.
- ▶ Wear safety footwear or safety gumboots, e.g. Rubber

Body protection

Skin protection

See Other protection below

Other protection

- Overalls.
- Barrier cream
- ▶ Eyewash unit.

Recommended material(s)

GLOVE SELECTION INDEX

Glove selection is based on a modified presentation of the:

"Forsberg Clothing Performance Index".

The effect(s) of the following substance(s) are taken into account in the computer-generated selection:

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Material	СРІ
BUTYL	A
NEOPRENE	A
VITON	A
NATURAL RUBBER	С
PVA	С

- * CPI Chemwatch Performance Index
- A: Best Selection
- B: Satisfactory; may degrade after 4 hours continuous immersion
- C: Poor to Dangerous Choice for other than short term immersion

NOTE: As a series of factors will influence the actual performance of the glove,

Respiratory protection

Type -P Filter of sufficient capacity. (AS/NZS 1716 & 1715, EN 143:2000 & 149:2001, ANSI Z88 or national equivalent)

Selection of the Class and Type of respirator will depend upon the level of breathing zone contaminant and the chemical nature of the contaminant. Protection Factors (defined as the ratio of contaminant outside and inside the mask) may also be important.

Required minimum protection factor	Maximum gas/vapour concentration present in air p.p.m. (by volume)	Half-face Respirator	Full-Face Respirator
up to 10	1000	-AUS / Class1 P2	-
up to 50	1000	-	-AUS / Class 1 P2
up to 50	5000	Airline *	-
up to 100	5000	-	-2 P2
up to 100	10000	-	-3 P2

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a final selection must be based on detailed observation. -

* Where the glove is to be used on a short term, casual or infrequent basis, factors such as "feel" or convenience (e.g. disposability), may dictate a choice of gloves which might otherwise be unsuitable following long-term or frequent use. A qualified practitioner should be consulted.

100+			Airline**
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* - Continuous Flow ** - Continuous-flow or positive pressure demand A(All classes) = Organic vapours, B AUS or B1 = Acid gasses, B2 = Acid gas or hydrogen cyanide(HCN), B3 = Acid gas or hydrogen cyanide(HCN), E = Sulfur dioxide(SO2), G = Agricultural chemicals, K = Ammonia(NH3), Hg = Mercury, NO = Oxides of nitrogen, MB = Methyl bromide, AX = Low boiling point organic compounds(below 65 degC)

SECTION 9 Physical and chemical properties

Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance	Dark brown to black liquid; mixes with water.		
Physical state	Liquid	Relative density (Water = 1)	1.21
Odour	Not Available	Partition coefficient n-octanol / water	Not Available
Odour threshold	Not Available	Auto-ignition temperature (°C)	Not Applicable
pH (as supplied)	Not Available	Decomposition temperature (°C)	Not Available
Melting point / freezing point (°C)	~0	Viscosity (cSt)	Not Available
Initial boiling point and boiling range (°C)	~100	Molecular weight (g/mol)	Not Applicable
Flash point (°C)	Not Applicable	Taste	Not Available
Evaporation rate	Not Available	Explosive properties	Not Available
Flammability	Not Applicable	Oxidising properties	Not Available
Upper Explosive Limit (%)	Not Applicable	Surface Tension (dyn/cm or mN/m)	Not Available
Lower Explosive Limit (%)	Not Applicable	Volatile Component (%vol)	Not Available
Vapour pressure (kPa)	2.37 @ 20 C	Gas group	Not Available
Solubility in water	Miscible	pH as a solution (1%)	Not Available
Vapour density (Air = 1)	Not Available	VOC g/L	Not Available

SECTION 10 Stability and reactivity

Reactivity	See section 7
Chemical stability	 Unstable in the presence of incompatible materials. Product is considered stable. Hazardous polymerisation will not occur.
Possibility of hazardous reactions	See section 7
Conditions to avoid	See section 7
Incompatible materials	See section 7
Hazardous decomposition products	See section 5

SECTION 11 Toxicological information

Information on toxicological effects

Inhaled	Not normally a hazard due to non-volatile nature of product The vapour is mildly discomforting Inhalation of chlorophenoxy pesticide dusts or mist may produce a sore throat and burning sensations in the nasopharynx region and chest, coughing, lachrymation, rhinitis, dizziness and ataxia. Toxic effects may result following absorption from the lungs.
Ingestion	Accidental ingestion of the material may be harmful; animal experiments indicate that ingestion of less than 150 gram may be fatal or may produce serious damage to the health of the individual. Chlorophenoxy compounds may cause irritation of the mouth, throat, and gastrointestinal tract, nausea, vomiting, chest and

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abdominal pain, and diarrhea. Ingestion of very large doses may produce metabolic acidosis, fever or subnormal temperature, hyperventilation, hypotension, vasodilation, flushing, sweating, cardiac arrhythmias, tachycardia, lethargy, weakness, intercostal paralysis, renal and hepatic disorders, myotonia, coma, and convulsions. Skeletal muscle damage may produce muscle twitching, aching and elevated serum enzymes and myoglobin in both blood and urine. Circulatory collapse may be fatal. Acute exposure to 2,4-dichlorophenoxyacetic acid (2,4-D) and its derivatives and analogues may produce headache, dizziness, nausea, vomiting, raised temperature, low blood pressure, leucocytotoxic heart and liver injury and convulsions. All animal species tested seem to react similarly and there is only a minor difference in potency between various salts and esters of 2,4-D either as pure chemicals or as commercial preparations although the free acid exhibits a somewhat higher toxicity. In several species systemic intoxication after massive doses produces ventricular fibrillation or, if death is delayed, motor disturbances. A disinclination to move progresses to rigidity of skeletal muscles (myotonia) and ataxia (involuntary muscle movement). Severe cases show progressive apathy, depression, muscle weakness of the hind limbs, periodic clonic spasms and coma. Subacute poisonings are characterised by anorexia, eye and nose irritation, and possible epistaxis or bleeding from the mouth. Clinical reports of poisonings are rare although protracted peripheral neuropathies with myopathy appear to be characteristic. Significant cumulative toxicity does not occur with 2,4-D and most of its congeners are not metabolised and do not accumulate in body fat or in the food chain. Urinary excretion is slow with a plasma half-life of about 33 hours.

Skin Contact

Evidence exists, or practical experience predicts, that the material either produces inflammation of the skin in a substantial number of individuals following direct contact, and/or produces significant inflammation when applied to the healthy intact skin of animals, for up to four hours, such inflammation being present twenty-four hours or more after the end of the exposure period. Skin irritation may also be present after prolonged or repeated exposure; this may result in a form of contact dermatitis (nonallergic). The dermatitis is often characterised by skin redness (erythema) and swelling (oedema) which may progress to blistering (vesiculation), scaling and thickening of the epidermis. At the microscopic level there may be intercellular oedema of the spongy layer of the skin (spongiosis) and intracellular oedema of the epidermis.

2,4-D and its derivatives all penetrate intact skin of laboratory rats and man. Subacute application of 2,4-D esters and of the dimethylamine salt to rabbit skin produced only local irritation due probably to the carrier vehicle (oil). Percutaneous absorption has produced severe peripheral neuropathy in elderly patients exposed to spilled 2,4-D ester, fatigue, nausea, vomiting, anorexia, diarrhoea, swelling and aching of the extremities and muscle fasciculations progressing over a period of days to pain, paraesthesias, and severe limb paralysis. Disability was protracted and continued for several years.

Eye

When applied to the eye(s) of animals, the material produces severe ocular lesions which are present twenty-four hours or more after instillation.

On the basis, primarily, of animal experiments, concern has been expressed that the material may produce carcinogenic or mutagenic effects; in respect of the available information, however, there presently exists inadequate data for making a satisfactory assessment.

Workers exposed to chlorophenoxy herbicides show a significant increase in soft-tissue sarcoma, malignant lymphomas and bronchial carcinomas. Prolonged or repeated contact with solutions may result in non-allergic dermatoses. Until recently, most epidemiological studies of the effects of chlorophenoxy herbicides dealt with populations exposed in the 1950s and 1960s, when the trichlorophenol-based herbicides 2.4.5-T and fenoprop were contaminated with polychlorinated dioxins and furans, including 2,3,7,8-tetrachlorodibenzodioxin (TCDD); the effects observed may therefore have been a consequence of the presence of the dioxin contaminants. In addition, most epidemiological studies on chlorophenoxy herbicides conducted to date have involved multiple exposures to chemical agents, including other pesticides and synthetic organic compounds. In a series of case-referent studies conducted in Sweden in the late 1970s and early 1980s, strong associations were noted between soft tissue sarcomas (STS) and multiple lymphomas (including Hodgkin disease (HD) and non-Hodgkin lymphoma (NHL)) and the use of chlorophenoxy herbicides by agricultural or forestry workers. The association between STS and chlorophenoxy herbicide use observed in the Swedish studies has not been confirmed in other case-referent studies. Although a number of cohort studies of occupationally exposed workers have been conducted, the small size of many of them limits their usefulness in assessing the relationship between STS and the herbicides. The risk for malignant lymphoma (HD + NHL) was almost five times greater for agricultural and forestry workers exposed to a mixture of chlorophenoxy herbicides than for controls in the case-referent study in Sweden but was not significantly elevated in a Danish cohort study of 3390 workers in a chemical plant manufacturing MCPA, dichlorprop, mecoprop, and 2,4-D, as well as other industrial chemicals and dyes

Chronic

Chronic exposure to 2,4-dichlorophenoxyacetic acid(2,4-D), its salts and its esters and its analogues may result in nausea, liver function changes, contact toxic dermatitis, irritation of the airways and eyes, as well as neurological changes. Persons with chronic diseases of the central nervous system, liver, heart, kidneys, lungs and skin, as well as those with endocrinological or immunological disturbances should not be exposed to herbicides (ILO Encyclopaedia). Groups of rats receiving 2,4-D in their diets for 13 weeks showed growth retardation and decreased food intake at 150 mg/kg/day dosage and an increased serum glutamic pyruvic transaminase (SGPT). A statistically significant incidence of astrocytoma was seen in the brains of male rats receiving 45 mg/kg/day for 104 weeks suggesting a possible carcinogenic effect although the prevalence of naturally occurring tumours in controls makes this result equivocal. A controversial study implicating 2,4-D as the cause of non-Hodgkin's lymphoma among male Kansas residents, aged 21 years or older, was difficult to evaluate because of a number of confounding factors. Agent Orange, a mixture of 2,4-D and 2,4,5-T, with contamination from 2,3,7,8-tetrachlorodibenzo-p-dioxin (also referred to as "dioxin" or TCDD) has been studied due to exposure of military personnel during its use as a herbicide in Vietnam. Neurological, reproductive and carcinogenic effects, purported to have occurred amongst veterans may be related to 2,4-D and 2,4,5-T but given the toxicity of the other components this remains the subject of conjecture.

Most, if not all, occupational illnesses associated with 2,4,5-trichlorophenoxyacetic acids (2,4,5,-T) and its derivatives actually result from TCDD contamination.

Repeated overexposure to phenoxy herbicides may cause liver, kidney, gastrointestinal and muscular effects. Subchronic exposure by dogs to phenoxy herbicides produced a reduction in circulating lymphocytes Teratogenic response was exhibited in mice (but not rats). Cleft palate was demonstrated. No such findings occurred in non-human primates given up to 10 mg/kg/day (containing 0.05 ppm TCDD) from gestation day 22 to 38.

The no-observed effect level (NOAEL) in hamsters was 2 mg/kg 2,4,5-T

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TOXICITY	IRRITATION
Not Available	Not Available
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Oral (Mouse) LD50; 450 mg/kg ^[2]	Not Available
TOXICITY	IRRITATION
Oral (Rat) LD50: 686 mg/kg ^[2]	Not Available
TOXICITY	IRRITATION
Oral (Rat) LD50: >90000 mg/kg ^[2]	Not Available
Value obtained from Europe ECHA Registered Substances - Acute toxicity 2. Value obtained from manufacturer's SDS.	
	Not Available TOXICITY Oral (Mouse) LD50; 450 mg/kg ^[2] TOXICITY Oral (Rat) LD50: 686 mg/kg ^[2] TOXICITY Oral (Rat) LD50: >90000 mg/kg ^[2]

Spasticity, diarrhoea, haemorrhage, effects on fertility recorded. For chlorophenoxy pesticides:

WARNING: This substance has been classified by the IARC as Group 2B: Possibly Carcinogenic to Humans.

Side-reactions during manufacture of the parent compound may result in the production of trace amounts of polyhalogenated aromatic hydrocarbon(s). Halogenated phenols, and especially their alkali salts, can condense above 300 deg. C . to form polyphenoxyphenols or, in a very specific reaction, to form dibenzo-p-dioxins

Polyhalogenated aromatic hydrocarbons (PHAHs) comprise two major groups. The first group represented by the halogenated derivatives of dibenzodioxins (the chlorinated form is PCDD), dibenzofurans (PCDF) and biphenyls (PCB) exert their toxic effect (as hepatoxicants, reproductive toxicants, immunotoxicants and procarcinogens) by interaction with a cytostolic protein known as the Ah receptor. In guinea pigs the Ah receptor is active in a mechanism which "pumps" PHAH into the cell whilst in humans the reverse appears to true. This, in part, may account for species differences often cited in the literature. This receptor exhibits an affinity for the planar members of this group and carries these to the cellular nucleus where they bind, reversibly, to specific genomes on DNA. This results in the regulation of the production of certain proteins which elicit the toxic response. The potency of the effect is dependent on the strength of the original interaction with the Ah receptor and is influenced by the degree of substitution by the halogen and the position of such substitutions on the parent compound.

The most potent molecule is 2,3,7,8-tetrachlorodibenzo-p-dioxin (TCDD) while the coplanar PCBs (including mono-ortho coplanars) possess approximately 1% of this potency. Nevertheless, all are said to exhibit "dioxin-like" behaviour and in environmental and health assessments it has been the practice to assign each a TCDD-equivalence value.

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The most subtle and important biological effects of the PHAHs are the effects on endocrine hormones and vitamin homeostasis. TCDD mimics the effect of thyroxin (a key metamorphosis signal during maturation) and may disrupt patterns of embryonic development at critical stages. Individuals from exposed wildlife populations have been observed to have altered sexual development, sexual dysfunction as adults and immune system suppression. Immunotoxic effects of the PHAHs (including the brominated congener, PBB) have been the subject of several studies. No clear pattern emerges in human studies however with T-cell numbers and function (a blood marker for immunological response) increasing in some and decreasing in others.

Developmental toxicity (e.g. cleft palate, hydronephrosis) occurs in relatively few species; functional alterations following TCDD exposure leads to deficits in cognitive functions in monkeys and to adverse effects in the male reproductive system of rats.

Three incidences have occurred which have introduced abnormally high levels of dioxin or dioxin-like congeners to humans. The explosion at a trichlorophenol-manufacturing plant in Seveso, Italy distributed TCDD across a large area of the country-side, whilst rice-oil contaminated with heat-transfer PCBs (and dioxin-like contaminants) has been consumed by two groups, on separate occasions (one in Yusho, Japan and another in Yu-cheng, Taiwan). The only symptom which can unequivocally be related to all these exposures is the development of chloracne, a disfiguring skin condition, following each incident. Contaminated oil poisonings also produced eye-discharge, swelling of eyelids and visual disturbances. The Babies born up to 3 years after maternal exposure (so-called "Yusho-babies") were characteristically brown skinned, coloured gums and nails and (frequently) produced eye-discharges. Delays in intellectual development have been noted. It has been estimated that Yu-cheng patients consumed an average level of 0.06 mg/kg body weight/day total PCB and 0.0002 mg/kg/day of PCDF before the onset of symptoms after 3 months. When the oil was withdrawn after 6 months they had consumed 1 gm total PCB containing 3.8 mg PCDF. Taiwanese patients consumed 10 times as much contaminated oil as the Japanese patients (because of later withdrawal); however since PCB/PCDF concentration in the Japanese oil was 10 times that consumed in Taiwan, patients from both countries consumed about the same amount of PCBs/PCDFs. Preliminary data from the Yusho cohort suggests a six-fold excess of liver cancer mortality in males and a three-fold excess in women.

Recent findings from Seveso indicate that the biological effects of low level exposure (BELLEs), experienced by a cohort located at a great distance from the plant, may be hormetic, i.e. may be protective AGAINST the development of cancer. The PHAHs do not appear to be genotoxic - they do not alter the integrity of DNA. This contrasts with the effects of the many polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) (or more properly, their reactive metabolites). TCDD induces carcinogenic effects in the laboratory in all species, strains and sexes tested. These effects are dose-related and occur in many organs. Exposures as low as 0.001 ug/kg

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> body weight/day produce carcinoma. Several studies implicate PCBs in the development of liver cancer in workers as well as multi-site cancers in animals. The second major group of PHAH consists of the non-planar PCB congeners which possess two or more ortho-substituted halogens. These have been shown to produce neurotoxic effects which are thought to reduce the concentration of the brain neurotransmitter, dopamine, by inhibiting certain enzyme-mediated processes. The specific effect elicited by both classes of PHAH seems to depend on the as much on the developmental status of the organism at the time of the exposure as on the level of exposure over a lifetime.

NOTE: Some jurisdictions require that health surveillance be conducted on workers occupationally exposed to polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons. Such surveillance should emphasise

- demography, occupational and medical history
- health advice, including recognition of photosensitivity and skin changes
- physical examination if indicated
- records of personal exposure including photosensitivity

Animal Metabolism - MCPA is rapidly absorbed and eliminated from mammalian systems. Rats eliminated nearly all of a single oral dose within 24 hours, mostly in urine with little or no metabolism. In another rat study, three guarters of the dose was eliminated within two days. All was gone the by the eighth day. Humans excreted about half of a 5 mg dose in the urine within a few days. No residues were found after day five. Cattle and sheep fed MCPA in low to moderate doses in the diet for two weeks had no residues from levels less than about 18 mg/kg. The major metabolite of MCPA is 2-methyl-4-chlorophenol in the free and conjugated form, which is formed in the liver

For picloram:

Acute toxicity: Picloram is slightly to practically nontoxic via ingestion, with reported oral LD50 values of greater than 5000 mg/kg to 8200 mg/kg in rats, 2000 to 4000 mg/kg in mice, and approximately 2000 mg/kg in rabbits . The reported dermal LD50 in rabbits is greater than 4000 mg/kg, a level which produced no mortality or toxic signs . This indicates slight toxicity via the dermal route as well. Technical picloram is reported to cause no skin and moderate eye irritation in the rabbit, and to cause no skin sensitisation in the guinea pig. Some formulations have caused mild or slight skin irritation and skin sensitization in test animals. The technical grade is moderately toxic by inhalation, with a reported 4-hour inhalation LC50 of greater than 0.35 mg/L. Formulated products may show a lesser toxicity via this route . There is no documented history of human intoxication by picloram, so symptoms of acute exposure are difficult to characterise.

Chronic toxicity: Male mice receiving picloram at dietary doses of 1000 to 2000 mg/kg/day over 32 days showed no clinical signs of toxicity nor changes in blood chemistry, but females did show decreased body weight and increased liver weights . Liver effects were also seen in rats at very high doses of 3000 mg/kg/day over an exposure period of 90 days, and above 225 mg/kg/day for 90 days. Dogs, sheep, and beef cattle fed low levels of picloram for a month experienced no toxic effects. The ester and triisopropanolamine salt showed low toxicity in animal tests . Picloram may show additive effects if mixed with other herbicides such as 2,4-D.

Reproductive effects: In multi-generational studies, pregnant rats exposed during critical periods of gestation to doses of about 180 mg/kg/day of picloram showed no changes in fertility . The fertility of pregnant mice fed 15 mg/kg/day for 4 days before and 14 days after mating was not adversely affected . Other studies showed no effects on fertility or fecundity in rats at doses as high as 1000 mg/kg/day. Picloram does not appear to cause reproductive toxicity.

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Teratogenic effects: No teratogenic effects were seen in the offspring of pregnant rats exposed during gestation to 400 mg/kg/day of the acid or potassium salt, or to 1000 mg/kg/day of the ester or other salt [58]. At 2000 mg/kg/day, maternal toxicity was noted but did not induce malformation in the pups . It appears that picloram is not teratogenic.

Mutagenic effects: One test has shown that picloram is mutagenic (to the bacterium Saccharomyces cerevisiae) and another test has shown that it is not mutagenic (Ames test). In tests for unscheduled DNA synthesis and structural chromosome aberrations, the results were also negative . These data suggest that picloram is either nonmutagenic or weakly mutagenic. Carcinogenic effects: Mice fed average doses of 18 mg/kg/day or 30 mg/kg/day for 80 weeks and observed for another 10 weeks did not display any carcinogenic effects . Male rats fed 17.5 or about 40 mg/kg/day for 80 weeks and observed for 33 weeks showed no carcinogenicity, but females developed benign liver tumor nodules . Other tests have indicated an increased incidence of cancer among animals treated with picloram, but these data are difficult to interpret due to possible interference of hexachlorobenzene contaminants. These data suggest that picloram is noncarcinogenic or weakly carcinogenic.

Organ toxicity: Animal studies show the target organs for picloram to be the liver and kidneys.

Fate in humans and animals: Picloram was rapidly absorbed through the gastrointestinal tract in studies using human volunteers, and was excreted unchanged in the urine . Half of the product was excreted within a day or so. Skin absorption is minimal . Rats showed similar results, with administered doses excreted virtually unchanged in urine and faeces within 48 hours . Picloram does not accumulate in fat. No measurable residues were found in milk from cows fed small amounts of the herbicide in their diets At higher levels of exposure, milk levels of picloram were low (0.05 to 0.29 ppm) and declined rapidly upon withdrawal of picloram from the diet.

The material may produce moderate eye irritation leading to inflammation. Repeated or prolonged exposure to irritants may

The material may cause skin irritation after prolonged or repeated exposure and may produce a contact dermatitis (nonallergic). This form of dermatitis is often characterised by skin redness (erythema) and swelling epidermis. Histologically there may be intercellular oedema of the spongy layer (spongiosis) and intracellular oedema of the epidermis.

WATER

No significant acute toxicological data identified in literature search.

Acute Toxicity	✓	Carcinogenicity	✓
Skin Irritation/Corrosion	~	Reproductivity	×
Serious Eye Damage/Irritation	~	STOT - Single Exposure	×
Respiratory or Skin sensitisation	×	STOT - Repeated Exposure	×
Mutagenicity	×	Aspiration Hazard	×

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Legend:

★ - Data either not available or does not fill the criteria for classification

– Data available to make classification

SECTION 12 Ecological information

Toxicity

	Endpoint	Test Duration (hr)	Species	Value	Source
AC Ruffle	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available
	Endpoint	Test Duration (hr)	Species	Value	Source
MCPA potassium salt	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available
picloram, potassium salt	Endpoint	Test Duration (hr)	Species	Value	Source
	EC50	48h	Crustacea	63-75mg/L	4
	LC50	96h	Fish	10-68mg/l	4
	NOEC(ECx)	720h	Fish	0.6mg/l	4
	Endpoint	Test Duration (hr)	Species	Value	Source
water	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available
Legend:	4. US EPA, Ed	n 1. IUCLID Toxicity Data 2. Europe ECHA rotox database - Aquatic Toxicity Data 5. El on Data 7. METI (Japan) - Bioconcentratio.	CETOC Aquatic Hazard Assessment Dat	•	

DO NOT discharge into sewer or waterways.

Persistence and degradability

Ingredient	Persistence: Water/Soil	Persistence: Air
water	LOW	LOW

Bioaccumulative potential

Ingredient	Bioaccumulation
	No Data available for all ingredients

Mobility in soil

Ingredient	Mobility
	No Data available for all ingredients

SECTION 13 Disposal considerations

Waste treatment methods

Product / Packaging disposal

- ▶ Recycle wherever possible or consult manufacturer for recycling options.
- ▶ Consult State Land Waste Management Authority for disposal.
- Bury residue in an authorised landfill.
- Recycle containers if possible, or dispose of in an authorised landfill.

SECTION 14 Transport information

Labels Required

Marine Pollutant	NO
HAZCHEM	Not Applicable

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Land transport (ADG): NOT REGULATED FOR TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS

Air transport (ICAO-IATA / DGR): NOT REGULATED FOR TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS

Sea transport (IMDG-Code / GGVSee): NOT REGULATED FOR TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS

14.7.1. Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL and the IBC code

Not Applicable

14.7.2. Transport in bulk in accordance with MARPOL Annex V and the IMSBC Code

Product name	Group
MCPA potassium salt	Not Available
picloram, potassium salt	Not Available
water	Not Available

14.7.3. Transport in bulk in accordance with the IGC Code

Product name	Ship Type
MCPA potassium salt	Not Available
picloram, potassium salt	Not Available
water	Not Available

SECTION 15 Regulatory information

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

MCPA potassium salt is found on the following regulatory lists

Australia Chemicals with non-industrial uses removed from the Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (old Inventory)

Australia Hazardous Chemical Information System (HCIS) - Hazardous Chemicals

Australia Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP) - Schedule 6 $\,$

picloram, potassium salt is found on the following regulatory lists

Australia Chemicals with non-industrial uses removed from the Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (old Inventory)

water is found on the following regulatory lists

Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals (AIIC)

Additional Regulatory Information

Not Applicable

National Inventory Status

National Inventory	Status	
Australia - AIIC / Australia Non-Industrial Use	Yes	
Canada - DSL	No (MCPA potassium salt; picloram, potassium salt)	
Canada - NDSL	No (MCPA potassium salt; picloram, potassium salt; water)	
China - IECSC	No (MCPA potassium salt; picloram, potassium salt)	
Europe - EINEC / ELINCS / NLP	Yes	
Japan - ENCS	No (MCPA potassium salt)	
Korea - KECI	No (MCPA potassium salt; picloram, potassium salt)	
New Zealand - NZIoC	Yes	
Philippines - PICCS	No (MCPA potassium salt; picloram, potassium salt)	
USA - TSCA	No (MCPA potassium salt; picloram, potassium salt)	
Taiwan - TCSI	No (MCPA potassium salt; picloram, potassium salt)	
Mexico - INSQ	No (MCPA potassium salt; picloram, potassium salt)	
Vietnam - NCI	No (picloram, potassium salt)	

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National Inventory	Status		
Russia - FBEPH	No (MCPA potassium salt; picloram, potassium salt)		
Legend:	Yes = All CAS declared ingredients are on the inventory No = One or more of the CAS listed ingredients are not on the inventory. These ingredients may be exempt or will require registration.		

SECTION 16 Other information

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Initial Date	17/03/2016

SDS Version Summary

Version	Date of Update	Sections Updated
4.1	20/08/2021	Classification change due to full database hazard calculation/update.
5.1	10/03/2023	Classification change due to full database hazard calculation/update.

Other information

Classification of the preparation and its individual components has drawn on official and authoritative sources as well as independent review by the Chemwatch Classification committee using available literature references.

The SDS is a Hazard Communication tool and should be used to assist in the Risk Assessment. Many factors determine whether the reported Hazards are Risks in the workplace or other settings. Risks may be determined by reference to Exposures Scenarios. Scale of use, frequency of use and current or available engineering controls must be considered.

Definitions and abbreviations

- PC TWA: Permissible Concentration-Time Weighted Average
- PC STEL: Permissible Concentration-Short Term Exposure Limit
- ► IARC: International Agency for Research on Cancer
- ACGIH: American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists
- ► STEL: Short Term Exposure Limit
- ► TEEL: Temporary Emergency Exposure Limit,
- ▶ IDLH: Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health Concentrations
- ES: Exposure Standard
- ► OSF: Odour Safety Factor
- ▶ NOAEL: No Observed Adverse Effect Level
- LOAEL: Lowest Observed Adverse Effect Level
- TLV: Threshold Limit Value
- LOD: Limit Of Detection
- ▶ OTV: Odour Threshold Value
- ► BCF: BioConcentration Factors
- ▶ BEI: Biological Exposure Index
- ▶ DNEL: Derived No-Effect Level
- ▶ PNEC: Predicted no-effect concentration
- AIIC: Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals
- ▶ DSL: Domestic Substances List
- ▶ NDSL: Non-Domestic Substances List
- ► IECSC: Inventory of Existing Chemical Substance in China
- ► EINECS: European INventory of Existing Commercial chemical Substances
- ► ELINCS: European List of Notified Chemical Substances
- NLP: No-Longer Polymers
- ► ENCS: Existing and New Chemical Substances Inventory
- ▶ KECI: Korea Existing Chemicals Inventory
- ▶ NZIoC: New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals
- ▶ PICCS: Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances
- ► TSCA: Toxic Substances Control Act
- ► TCSI: Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory
- ► INSQ: Inventario Nacional de Sustancias Químicas
- ▶ NCI: National Chemical Inventory
- ▶ FBEPH: Russian Register of Potentially Hazardous Chemical and Biological Substances

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