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# SAFETY DATA SHEET

NOT CLASSIFIED AS HAZARDOUS ACCORDING TO THE CRITERIA OF SAFE WORK AUSTRALIA

## SECTION 1 - IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

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**PRODUCT NAME RECOMMENDED USE:** 

Organics - Natural Potash Fertiliser

### **SECTION 2 - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**

NOT CLASSIFIED AS HAZARDOUS ACCORDING TO THE CRITERIA OF SAFE WORK AUSTRALIA NOT CLASIFIED AS A DANGEROUS GOOD. NOT A SCHEDULED POISON.

PHYSICAL HAZARDS: Not Classified HEALTH HAZARDS: None ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS: None

#### HAZARD STATEMENT:

#### None

#### PREVENTION

P102: Keep out of reach of children.

P261: Avoid breathing dusts

P262: Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing.

P264: Wash contacted areas thoroughly after handling.

#### RESPONSE

P352: Wash with plenty of soap and water.

P301+P330+P331: IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.

P305+P351+P338: IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

P337+P313: If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice.

P370+P378: Not combustible. Use extinguishing media suited to burning materials.

#### STORAGE

P402+P404: Store in a dry place. Store in a closed container.

DISPOSAL

P501: Sweep up and re-use if practical. Otherwise dispose of small quantities and empty containers by wrapping with paper and putting in household waste for landfill.

### SECTION 3 - COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Name	CAS Number	Concentration (typical)
Potassium sulphate	7778-80-5	93%
Other sulphates (magnesium / calcium sulphates		3%
Chlorides (sodium and potassium)		1.4%
Water of crystallisation		2.6%

Label elements GHS Signal Word: None



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### SECTION 4 - FIRST AID MEASURES

**GENERAL INFORMATION**: If in doubt, get medical attention promptly. Show this Safety Data Sheet to medical personnel.

**EYES**: Hold eyelids open and rinse the eye continuously with a gentle stream of clean running water for at least fifteen minutes. Seek medical attention if any irritation persists.

**SKIN**: Remove contaminated clothing and wash thoroughly with soap and water. Use water alone, if soap is unavailable. Apply a moisturising hand cream, if available. Seek medical attention if any soreness or inflammation of the skin develops or persists, considered very unlikely. Launder affected clothing before re-use.

**INGESTION**: Rinse mouth out with water ensuring that mouth wash is not swallowed. Give about 250mL (2 glasses) of water to drink. DO NOT attempt to induce vomiting. Seek medical attention as a precautionary measure.

**INHALATION**: First aid is unlikely to be required as a result of exposure during normal use. If symptoms occur, remove to fresh air. Keep warm and at rest. Seek medical attention if symptoms persist.

#### Additional Information:

First Aid Facilities: Not required.

Advice to Doctor: Treat symptomatically.

### SECTION 5 - FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

**SUITABLE EXTINGUISHING MEDIA:** Non-combustible and does not support combustion. Extinguish fire using whatever is suitable for the primary cause of the fire. Carbon dioxide, dry chemical, foam or water fog are all suitable. **HAZARDS FROM COMBUSTION PRODUCTS:** This product may decompose in a fire situation giving rise to oxides of sulphur.

**PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT:** Fire fighters should wear self-contained breathing apparatus.

## SECTION 6 - ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

**EMERGENCY PROCEDURES**: Wear protective equipment as specified for handling (See Section 8).

**SPILLS**: Minor spills do not normally need any special clean-up measures. In the event of a major spill, sweep up and collect into labelled containers for recycling or disposal.

#### **SECTION 7 - HANDLING AND STORAGE**

**SAFE HANDLING PRECAUTIONS:** Avoid eye contact and prolonged or repeated skin contact. **SAFE STORAGE PRECAUTIONS:** Keep out of reach of children. Keep closed, in the original container, in a dry place.

#### SECTION 8 - EXPOSURE CONTROLS AND PERSONAL PROTECTION

**EXPOSURE STANDARDS:** None specified for any of the ingredients in this product.

E.S. TWA: None

Exposure standards represent the airborne concentration of a particular substance in the worker's breathing zone, exposure to which, according to current knowledge, should not cause adverse health effects nor cause undue discomfort to nearly all workers. The exposure standard can be of three forms; time-weighted average (TWA), peak, or short-term exposure limit (STEL).

BIOLOGICAL LIMIT VALUES: None allocated

ENGINEERING CONTROLS: Natural ventilation is adequate for normal use of this product.

**PERSONAL PROTECTION**: Requirements depend on working conditions, method of application and quantity of product in use. No special equipment is required for handling small quantities, but safety glasses or goggles should be worn if necessary to prevent eye contact. Nitrile, neoprene, PVC or natural rubber gloves should be worn if necessary to prevent repeated skin contact. Respiratory protection is unlikely to be required for normal use of this product.

#### SECTION 9 - PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES:

Physical Description & colour: Odour: Colourless to white hard crystals or powdered solid. None



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Boiling Point: Melting Point: Volatiles: Vapour Pressure: Vapour Density: Specific Gravity: Water Solubility: pH: Volatility: Evaporation Rate: Auto ignition temp: Flash point: Upper Flammability Limit: Lower Flammability Limit: Decomposes above  $1067^{\circ}$ C Solid at normal temperatures Negligible. Negligible Not applicable 2.66 Soluble in water (12g/100g water at 20°C), 7 – 9 in a 5% solution Negligible. Negligible. None None None None None

# SECTION 10 - STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**CHEMICAL STABILITY**: Stable under normal conditions of use and storage **CONDITIONS TO AVOID**: Keep out of reach of children. Keep in the original container in a dry area. **INCOMPATIBLE MATERIALS**: None known.

HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS: None.

**HAZARDOUS REACTIONS**: Corrosivity similar to common salt. In the presence of moisture, Sulfate of Potash is mildly corrosive to cement, mild steel, zinc and copper.

POLYMERISATION: Will not occur.

# **SECTION 11 - TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

**ACUTE - SWALLOWED**: Not toxic but acts as a laxative and results in stomach upset and diarrhoea. **ACUTE – EYE**: May cause mild, transient irritation. No other symptoms are anticipated once exposure has ceased.

ACUTE - SKIN: No symptoms are expected as a result of brief contact.

ACUTE - INHALED: Dusts may cause transient irritation.

#### CHRONIC HEALTH EFFECTS

LD50 (Ingestion): 6600mg/kg (rat)

LDLo (Ingestion): 750mg/kg (woman)

No chronic effects are known for this product.

Not listed as a carcinogen by Safe Work Australia, the National Toxicology Program (NTP), the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC), the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), or the Occupational Health and Safety Administration (OSHA).

No additional data available.

# SECTION 12 - ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

This product is used as a fertiliser and is unlikely to adversely affect the environment unless released in large quantities it which case it may be harmful to plants. Salts, acids and bases are typically diluted and neutralised when released to the environment in small quantities. Not expected to be an environmental hazard in small quantities.



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# **SECTION 13 - DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

**DISPOSAL:** Small volumes may be disposed to household waste. For large volumes, recycling is the preferred option but if that is not practicable, dispose to waste for landfill.

# **SECTION 14 - TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

This product is not a dangerous good according to the Australian Code for the Transportation of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail (ADG Code), the International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG) nor the International Air Transport Association (IATA) criteria.

UN Number:	None allocated
Proper shipping name:	None allocated
DG Class:	None allocated
HazChem code:	None allocated
Packing group:	None allocated

### SECTION 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION

All ingredients in this formulation are listed in the Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances and National Industrial Chemicals Notification and Assessment Scheme (NICNAS).

# **SECTION 16 - OTHER INFORMATION**

#### REFERENCES

- 1. National Code of Practice: Preparation of Safety Data Sheets for Hazardous Chemicals, 2011
- 2. Safe Work Australia, Workplace exposure standards for airborne contaminants, 2024
- 3. Australian Code for the Transportation of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail (ADG Code), 7.8<sup>th</sup> Edition, 2022
- 4. Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons, February 2024 and subsequent amendments

#### ABBREVIATIONS

CAS number	Chemical Abstracts Service Registry Number
DG	Dangerous Goods
LD <sub>50</sub>	Lethal Dose for 50% of a test population
LD <sub>lo</sub>	Lowest lethal dose
Hazchem Code	Emergency action code of numbers and letters that provide information to emergency services especially firefighters
UN Number	United Nations Number

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