

## **SAFETY DATA SHEET**

According to HSNO Hazardous Substances (Safety Data Sheets) Notice 2017

## Section 1. Identification of the material and the supplier

Product: OXALIC ACID

Product Use: Textile cleaning, flameproofing, rust removal, metal and

equipment cleaning, anti-corrosion coating, chemical

intermediate and catalyst.

Restriction of Use: Refer to Section 15

New Zealand Supplier: Hobeca Trading Co Ltd Address: 25 Andrew Baxter Drive

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Emergency No: 0800 764 766 (National Poison Centre)

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## Section 2. Hazards Identification

This substance is hazardous according to the EPA Hazardous Substances (Classification) Notice 2017

**EPA Approval No: HSR002710** 

## **Pictograms**







Irritant

Chronic

Corrosive

Ecotoxic

Signal Word: DANGER

HSNO Classification	Hazard Code	Hazard Statement	GHS Category
6.1D (oral)	H302	Harmful if swallowed.	Acute Tox. 4
6.1D (dermal)	H312	Harmful in contact with skin.	Acute Tox. 4
6.1D (inh)	H332	Harmful if inhaled.	Acute Tox. 4
6.8C	H362	May cause harm to breast-fed children.	Lact.
6.9B	H371	May cause damage to organs	STOT RE 2
8.1A	H290	May be corrosive to metals.	Met. Corr. 1
8.2C	H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.	Skin Corr. 1C
8.3A	H318	Causes serious eye damage.	Eye Corr. 1
9.3B	H432	Toxic to terrestrial vertebrates.	-

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<b>Prevention Code</b>	Prevention Statement
P102	Keep out of reach of children.
P103	Read label before use.
P234	Keep only in original container.
P260	Do not breathe fumes, mist, vapours or spray.
P264	Wash hands thoroughly after handling.
P270	Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
P271	Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.
P273	Avoid release to the environment.
P280	Wear protective clothing.

Response Code	Response Statement
P101	If medical advice is needed, have product container or label at hand.
P310	Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.
P363	Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.
P390	Absorb spillage to prevent material damage.
P391	Collect spillage.
P301 + P312	IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.
P301 + P330+P331	IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.
P303 + P361+P353	IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.
P304 + P340	IF INHALED: Remove to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.
P305 + P351+P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
P309 + P311	IF exposed or if you feel unwell: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.

Storage Code	Storage Statement	
P405	Store locked up.	
P406	Store in corrosive resistant container with a resistant inner liner.	

Disposal Code	Disposal Statement
P501	Dispose of according to Local Regulations or Authorities

## Section 3. Composition / Information on Hazardous Ingredients

Ingredients	Wt%	CAS NUMBER.
Oxalic acid	100	144-62-7

## Section 4. First Aid Measures

## Routes of Exposure:

If in Eyes Rinse cautiously with water for 15 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if

present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. If eye irritation persists: Get

medical advice.

If on Skin Wash with plenty of soap and water. Take off contaminated clothing and

wash before re-use. If skin irritation occurs: get medical advice/attention.

If Swallowed IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. DO NOT induce vomiting. Never give

anything to the mouth of an unconscious person. If vomiting occurs, place victim face downwards, with the head turned to the side and lower than the hips to prevent vomit entering the lungs. Immediately call a POISON

CENTER or doctor/physician.

If Inhaled Remove person to fresh air. Remove contaminated clothing and loosen

> remaining clothing. Allow person to assume most comfortable position and keep warm. Keep at rest until fully recovered. Apply artificial respiration if not breathing. Get medical advice if breathing becomes

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

Symptoms:

Ingestion: Harmful if swallowed. Inhalation: Harmful if inhaled.

Harmful in contact with skin. Causes severe skin burns. Skin:

Causes serious eye damage. Eve:

May cause harm to breast-fed children. **Chronic:** 

May cause damage to organs.

#### Section 5. Fire Fighting Measures

Hazard Type	Non Flammable
Hazards from combustion products	Under fire conditions this product may emit toxic and/or irritating fumes including carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide and formic acid.
Suitable	Use water fog, foam or dry agent
Extinguishing	
media	
<b>Precautions for</b>	This product will burn if exposed to fire. Keep containers cool.
firefighters and	Water may be used to flush spills away from exposures. Fumes may be
special protective	highly toxic and irritating. Fire-fighters should wear full protective
clothing	clothing and self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) operated in
HAZCHEM CODE	None Allocated

#### Section 6. **Accidental Release Measures**

Remove all sources of heat. Increase ventilation. Wear sufficient respiratory protection and full protective clothing to minimise skin and eye exposure. Sweep up material avoiding dust generation. With a clean shovel, transfer spilled material into clean, labelled containers for disposal. Prevent from entering drains, sewers, streams or other bodies of water. If large quantities of this material enter the waterways contact the Environmental Protection Authority, or your local Waste Management Authority.

#### Section 7. **Handling and Storage**

## **Precautions for Handling:**

- Read label before use.
- Obtain special instructions before use.
- Keep only in original container.
- Do not breathe fumes, mist, vapours or spray.
- Wash hands thoroughly after handling.
- Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
- Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.
- Avoid release to the environment.
- Wear protective clothing.

#### **Precautions for Storage:**

- Store away from incompatible materials listed in Section 10.
- Store locked up.
- Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool. Store in corrosive resistant container with a resistant inner liner.
- Limit quantity of material in storage.
- Restrict access to storage area.
- Post warning signs when appropriate.
- Keep storage area separate from populated work areas.

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### WORKPLACE EXPOSURE STANDARDS (provided for guidance only)

Substance	TWA ppm	mg/m³	STEL ppm	mg/m³
Oxalic acid [144-62-7]	-	1	-	2

Workplace Exposure Standard – Time Weighted Average (WES-TWA). The time-weighted average exposure standard designed to protect the worker from the effects of long-term exposure. Workplace Exposure Standard – Short-Term Exposure Limit (WESSTEL). The 15-minute average exposure standard. Applies to any 15- Minute period in the working day and is designed to protect the worker against adverse effects of irritation, chronic or irreversible tissue change, or narcosis that may increase the likelihood of accidents. The WES-STEL is not an alternative to the WES-TWA; both the short-term and time-weighted average exposures apply. Workplace Exposure Standards and Biological Exposure Indices NOV 2019 11<sup>TH</sup> EDITION.

#### **Engineering Controls**

Engineering control methods to reduce hazardous exposures are preferred.

General methods include mechanical ventilation (dilution and local exhaust), process or personnel enclosure, control of process conditions, and process modification (e.g., substitution of a less hazardous material). Administrative controls and personal protective equipment may also be required. Use a corrosion-resistant ventilation system separate from other exhaust ventilation systems. Exhaust directly to the outside. Use local exhaust ventilation, and process enclosure if necessary, to control airborne dust/mist. Supply sufficient replacement air to make up for air removed by exhaust systems.

Note - Exposure to this material can be controlled in many ways. The measures appropriate for a particular worksite depend on how this material is used and on the extent of exposure. Use this general information to help develop specific control measures. Ensure that control systems are properly designed and maintained. Comply with occupational, environmental, fire and other applicable regulations.

### **Personal Protection Equipment**



Eyes	Safety glasses with side shields, goggles or full faceshield should be worn as described in Australian Standard AS/NZS 1337 – Eye Protectors for Industrial Applications.
Hands	For prolonged or repeated handling, use the following type of gloves: Recommended: Natural rubber, neoprene, nitrile. Useful: Butyl rubber, polyethylene, chlorinated polyethylene. Not recommended: Polyvinyl alcohol.
Skin	Suitable protective clothing should be worn e.g. cotton overalls buttoned at neck and wrist.
Respiratory	Where sufficient ventilation is not available, avoid breathing dust by wearing an AS 1716 approved P1 particulate filter respirator. Dependent on airrborne concentrations a supplied air respirator may be required. Final choice of appropriate breathing protection is dependent upon actual airborne concentrations and the type of breathing protection required will vary according to individual circumstances. Expert advice may be required to make this decision.

# Section 9 Physical and Chemical Properties

Appearance	Transparent crystals
Odour	Odourless
Odour Threshold	Not applicable
pH	1.3 (0.1M solution in water)
<b>Boiling Point</b>	149°C <sub>-</sub> 160°C (dihydrate)

Melting Point	187°C
Freezing Point	Not applicable
Flash Point	Not applicable
Flammability	Not applicable
Upper and Lower	Not applicable
Exposure Limits	
Vapour Pressure	< 0.14 Pa @ 20°C
Vapour Density	Not applicable
Relative Density	1.65 @ 250C (water = 1)
Solubilities	Soluble in water, alcohol, glycerol, partially soluble in ether
Partition Coefficient:	Not applicable
<b>Auto-ignition</b>	Not applicable
Decomposition	Not applicable
Viscosity	Not applicable
<b>Particle Characteristics</b>	Not applicable

## Section 10. Stability and Reactivity

Stability of Substance	Normally stable. If heated to melting point, sublimation and decomposition occurs.
Conditions to Avoid	Excessive temperatures, moist or damp environments, dust.
Incompatible Materials	BASES - vigorous reaction may occur, yielding heat and pressure.  OXIDIZING AGENTS (e.g. sodium chlorite, sodium hypochlorite) may react violently or explosively.  SILVER - May form explosive silver oxalate.  ALKALI METALS (e.g. sodium or potassium) - may react violently and produce flammable hydrogen gas.  IRON AND IRON COMPOUNDS (e.g. ferric oxide) - may react rapidly to form ferric oxalate.  ACID CHLORIDES - may react vigorously, producing toxic fumes.
Hazardous Decomposition Products	may emit toxic and/or irritating fumes including carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide and formic acid

## Section 11 Toxicological Information

## **Acute Effects:**

Swallowed	Harmful if swallowed. LD50 Female Rat: 375 mg / kg	
Dermal	Harmful in contact with skin. LD50 Rabbit : 20g / kg	
Inhalation	Harmful if inhaled.	
Eye	Causes serious eye damage.	
Skin	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.	

## **Chronic Effects:**

Carcinogenicity	Not applicable.	
Reproductive	Not applicable.	
Toxicity		
Germ Cell	May cause harm to breast-fed children.	
Mutagenicity		
Aspiration	Not applicable.	
STOT/SE	May cause damage to organs.	
STOT/RE	Not applicable.	

## Section 12. Ecotoxicological Information

HSNO Classes: 9.3B Toxic to terrestrial vertebrates.

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Product:	
Persistence and degradability	No data available
Bioaccumulation	No data available
Mobility in Soil	No data available
Other adverse effects	No data available

Do not allow to enter waterways.

## Section 13. Disposal Considerations

#### **Disposal Method:**

Spent media that has removed toxic chemicals should be examined for specific hazards. Spilled product may be recovered for use if it has not come in contact with liquids or been exposed to significant amounts of gaseous contaminants. Dispose of according to Local Regulations.

Ensure any container holding waste product or contaminated spill media is labelled "Hazardous Waste – Corrosive, Chronic" and that the label also has the Chronic, Corrosive Pictogram, waste type identifier, and the business name, address, and phone number.

**Precautions or methods to avoid:** Avoid release to the environment.

## Section 14 Transport Information

## This product is classified as a Dangerous Good for transport in NZ; NZS 5433:2012



#### Road, Rail, Sea and Air Transport

UN No	1759	
Class - Primary	8	
Packing Group	II	
<b>Proper Shipping Name</b>	CORROSIVE SOLID, ACIDIC, ORGANIC, N.O.S	
Marine Pollutant	No	
Special Provisions	, 5,	
	transported as a non-DG as long as the product packaging is still	
	labelled as per DG requirements and the driver is given safety	
	information in accordance with Chapter 3.4 of the UNRTDG.	

## Section 15 Regulatory Information

This substance is classified hazardous according to the EPA Hazardous Substances (Classification) Notice 2017

EPA Approval Code: HSR002710

HSNO Classification: 6.1D(oral,dermal,inh), 6.8C, 6.9B, 8.1A, 8.2C, 8.3A, 9.3B

HSW (HS) Regulations 2017 and EPA Notices	Trigger Quantity
Certified Handler	Not required
Location Certificate	Not required
Tracking Trigger Quantities	Not required
Signage Trigger Quantities	1000kg (8.1A, 8.2C, 8.3A, 9.3B)
Emergency Response Plan	1000kg (6.1D)
Secondary Containment	1000kg (6.1D)
Restriction of Use	Only use for the intended purpose.

#### Section 16 Other Information

Glossary

EC50 Median effective concentration.
EEL Environmental Exposure Limit.
EPA Environmental Protection Authority

HSNO Hazardous Substances and New Organisms.

HSW Health and Safety at Work.

 $LC_{50}$  Lethal concentration that will kill 50% of the test organisms

inhaling or ingesting it.

LD<sub>50</sub> Lethal dose to kill 50% of test animals/organisms.

LEL Lower explosive level.

OSHA American Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

TEL Tolerable Exposure Limit.

TLV Threshold Limit Value-an exposure limit set by responsible

authority.

UEL Upper Explosive Level WES Workplace Exposure Limit

## References:

1. EPA Hazardous Substances (Safety Data Sheets) Notice 2017

2. Workplace Exposure Standards and Biological Exposure Indices Nov 2017 edition.

3. Assigning a hazardous substance to a HSNO Approval (Aug 2013).

4. Transport of Dangerous goods on land NZS 5433:2012

5. HSW (Hazardous Substances) Regulations 2017

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