



SAFETY DATA SHEET

FreeFlo Copper

SECTION 1: IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE AND COMPANY

1.1 Identifiers

Product name: Hortcare® Copper Hydroxide 300
Other Name(s): Water dispersible granule containing 300 g/kg copper

1.2 Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use

Product Use: Fungicide, bactericide for use on Roses, ornamentals and pot plants

1.3 Supplier contact details:

Company name: Grosafe Chemicals Limited
Address: 20 Jean Batten Drive Mt Maunganui, 3116
Telephone: 0800 220 002
Email: info@grosafe.co.nz

Emergency telephone number 0800 CHEMCALL (0800 243 622)

SECTION 2: HAZARD IDENTIFICATION

2.1 Classification of the Hazardous Chemical

Hazardous substance according to Hazardous Substances and New Organisms (HSNO) Act 1996
HSNO Substance Approval: HSR000739
Classifications: 6.1D, 6.3B, 6.5B, 6.9B, 8.3A, 9.1A, 9.3C.

2.2 Label elements:

Pictograms:



Signal Word: DANGER

Hazard statements:

- H302 Harmful if swallowed.
- H313 Harmful in contact with skin.
- H316 Causes mild skin irritation.
- H317 May cause an allergic skin reaction.
- H318 Causes serious eye damage.
- H332 Harmful if inhaled.
- H373 May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.
- H410 Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

H433 Harmful to terrestrial vertebrates.

Additional labelling statements required under Hazardous Substances (Labelling) Notice 2017

Take all reasonable steps to ensure that the substance does not cause any significant adverse effects to the environment beyond the application area.

Do not apply directly into or onto water.

Precautionary statements:

Prevention

- P102 Keep out of reach of children.
- P103 Read label before use.
- P260 Do not breathe dust/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.
- P272 Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace.
- P273 Avoid release to the environment.
- P280 Wear protective gloves/clothing.

Response

- P101 If medical advice is needed, have product container or label at hand.
- P314 Met medical advice/attention if you feel unwell.
- P301 + P312 IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTRE or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.
- P330 Rinse mouth.
- P302 + P352 IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.
- P312 Call a POISON CENTRE or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.
- P304 + P340 IF INHALED: Remove to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.
- P312 Call a POISON CENTRE or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.
- P363 Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.
- P333 + P313 If skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice/attention.

- P305 + P351 + P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
- P310 Immediately call a POISON CENTRE or doctor/physician.
- P391 Collect spillage.

Storage

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Disposal

- P501 Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local regulations.

SECTION 3: COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Ingredients	CAS	Proportion % w/w
Cupric hydroxide	20427-59-2	46 - 83*
Other ingredients	Trade secret	balance

*To give equivalent to 300g/kg copper.
This is a commercial product whose exact ratio of components may vary slightly.

SECTION 4: FIRST AID MEASURES

4.1 Description of first aid measures

General Information:

For advice call the National Poison Centre, telephone 0800 POISON [0800 764 766]. Have label or Safety Data Sheet at hand.

Ingestion: If swallowed, rinse mouth with water. Call the NATIONAL POISONS CENTRE or doctor for advice if you feel unwell. Have product label or SDS at hand.

Skin Contact: Remove contaminated clothing and wash skin with plenty of soap and water. Get medical advice if irritation or rash occurs.

Eye Contact: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Get immediate medical advice/attention.

Inhalation: Remove person to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. Call the NATIONAL POISONS CENTRE or doctor for advice if you feel unwell.

4.2 Symptoms caused by exposure

Unlikely to cause harmful effects under normal conditions of handling and use.

4.3 Medical attention and special treatment

Treat symptomatically.

SECTION 5: FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

5.1 Suitable extinguishing media

Use water spray or fog, foam, CO₂ or dry chemical as appropriate for surrounding materials, Contain extinguishing media to prevent runoff into drains, sewers, waterways.

5.2 Specific hazards arising from the chemical

Fire decomposition products may be toxic/harmful and/or irritating if inhaled.

Evacuate people to safe area upwind of fire.

5.3 Special protective equipment and precautions for fire fighters

Wear full personal protective equipment including with self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA).

SECTION 6: ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Have this SDS available. In the event of a spill, wear appropriate protective clothing and eye/hand protection. Wash contaminated personal protective equipment and clothing and dry before re-use.

6.2 Environmental precautions

Prevent spillage from entering drains or waterways. If contamination of drains, streams, watercourses, etc. is unavoidable, warn the local water authority.

6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Contain spilled material. Collect granules for reuse or disposal. For small liquid spills, use absorbent material such as sand, soil, vermiculite and recover into labelled drums that can be sealed for safe disposal. For large liquid spills, recover liquid into labelled containers then absorb remaining liquid and transfer to drums for disposal. Clean area with water and detergent. Dispose of contaminated materials to approved landfill in accordance with local regulations.

SECTION 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE

7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Read the label before use.

Do not apply into or onto water.

Take all reasonable steps to ensure that the substance does not cause any significant adverse effects to the environment beyond the application area.
 Use only outdoors or in well-ventilated area.
 When applied product avoid inhalation of spray mist/aerosols. Wear protective equipment such as coat/trouser (overalls), boots, gloves and eye protection.
 Wash hands and exposed skin with soap and water after handling and before rest or meal breaks.
 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using.
 Do not use spray equipment contaminated with this product for any other purpose unless first thoroughly cleaned with a suitable cleaning detergent.

7.2 Conditions for safe storage

Store securely in the closed original packaging out of reach of children and in a dry, cool, well-ventilated area and out of direct sunlight. Keep away from sources of heat, food, drink and animal feedstuffs.
 Storage of 100 kg or more of this product requires an emergency response plan, secondary containment and signage.

SECTION 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS AND PERSONAL PROTECTION

8.1 Control parameters – exposure standards, biological monitoring

Ingredient	TWA (mg/m ³)	STEL (mg/m ³)
Copper	0.01 (dermal sensitiser)	

8.2 Engineering controls

Use in well-ventilated area or outdoors.

8.3 Personal protective equipment (PPE)

The following Standards provide general advice regarding safety clothing and equipment:
 Respiratory equipment: **AS/NZS 1715**, Protective Gloves: **AS 2161**, Occupational Protective Clothing: **AS/NZS 4501**, Industrial Eye Protection: **AS1336** and **AS/NZS 1337**, Occupational Protective Footwear: **AS/NZS2210**.

Eye/Face Protection: Wear chemical splash goggles if eye contact is possible.

Skin Protection: Wear impervious chemical resistant gloves (e.g. nitrile, butyl), coveralls, socks and chemical resistant footwear. For overhead spray exposure, wear chemical resistant headgear. Ensure all skin areas are covered.

Respirator: Use outdoors in well-ventilated area or use local exhaust ventilation. Where product is being sprayed and a mist could be produced a respirator should be worn. It should be fitted with a cartridge, suitable for particulates.

SECTION 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance	Blue granules
Odour	None
Odour threshold	Not known
pH	7.0 – 10.0 (1% aqueous dispersion)
Melting/Freezing Point	No data available
Boiling Point /Range	No data available
Flash point	Non flammable
Flammability (solid, gas)	Not applicable
Vapour Pressure	No data available
Vapour density	No data available
Specific gravity/bulk density	c.a 0.71 g/cc

Solubility	Dispersible in water
Partition Co-efficient n-octanol/water	No data available
Auto-ignition temperature	No data available
Decomposition temperature	No data available
Viscosity	Not applicable

SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

10.1 Reactivity

This product is unlikely to react or decompose under normal storage conditions.

10.2 Chemical stability

Stable under normal temperatures and pressure for storage and use.

10.3 Conditions to Avoid

Avoid storage in direct sunlight or exposure to heat.

10.4 Incompatible materials and possible hazardous reactions

No specific information available.

10.5 Hazardous decomposition products

Fire Decomposition: Smoke, carbon and nitrogen oxides and other unspecified compounds.

10.6 Polymerisation

Not known to occur.

SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

11.1 Health hazard information

The product is classified for health hazards according to an assessment of information on product.

11.2 Toxicological information

Acute toxicity:	Classified as harmful if ingested, in contact with skin or if is inhaled.
Aspiration hazard:	Product contains no components with aspiration hazard.
Respiratory irritation:	May be slightly irritating.
Skin corrosion/irritation	Classified as a mild skin irritant.
Serious eye damage/irritation	Classified as may cause serious eye damage.
Respiratory or skin sensitisation	Classified as a contact sensitiser.
Germ cell mutagenicity:	No ingredients in product identified as presumed or suspected mutagens.
Carcinogenicity	No ingredients in product identified as presumed or suspected carcinogens.
Reproductive toxicity	No ingredients in product identified suspected of damaging fertility or the unborn child.
Specific target organ toxicity – single/repeated exposure	Classified as may cause damage to organs (lungs) or systems through prolonged or repeated oral exposure.
Narcotic effects	Product contains no ingredient identified as causing narcotic effects.

11.3 Toxicological data:

Cupric hydroxide	Oral, LD ₅₀ (rat) 489 mg/kg bw
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SECTION 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

12.1 Ecotoxicity

This product is classified as very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects and harmful to terrestrial vertebrates..

12.2 Environmental Fate

Breakdown in soil and groundwater: DT₅₀ >30 days.

Bioaccumulation: Low bioaccumulation potential.

Partition coefficient (octanol/water): Log P 0.44

Soil mobility: Cupric hydroxide is minimally soluble in water.

12.3 Ecotoxicity data:

Cupric hydroxide

Fish: Rainbow trout LC₅₀ (96 hr) 0.017 mg/L

Fathead minnow LC₅₀ (96 hr) 0.023 mg/L

Crustacea: *Daphnia spp* EC₅₀ (48 h) 0.00065 mg/L

Alga: *Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata* EC₅₀ (72 hr) 0.009 mg/L

Bird: *Colinus virginianus* LD₅₀ 223 mg copper/kg

SECTION 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

13.1 Product Disposal

Refer to product label. If possible, dispose of by using according to the label. Otherwise dispose of to an approved landfill in accordance with local regulations.

13.2 Container Disposal

Refer to product label. Do not use packaging for storage of other products. Empty packaging should be disposed of to an approved recycler or crushed and sent to approved landfill.

SECTION 14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION

Road and Rail Transport:

Classified as Dangerous Good Class 9 according to NZS5433 Transport of Dangerous Goods on Land

Marine Transport (IMO/IMDG):

Classified as Dangerous Good Class 9 by the criteria of the International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG Code) for transport by sea.

Air Transport (ICAO/IATA):

Classified as Dangerous Good Class 9 by the criteria of the International Air Transport Association (IATA) Dangerous Goods Regulation for transport by air.

UN Number: 3077

UN Proper Shipping Name: ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S. (CONTAINS COPPER 30%)

Transport hazard class(es) 9

Packing Group: III

HAZCHEM: 2Z

Special Precautions for User: -

IMDG Marine pollutant: YES

Transport in Bulk: -

SECTION 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION

15.1 HSNO Act 1996

Hazardous substance according to Hazardous Substances (Classification) Notice 2017.

Approved substance number: HSR000739

Hazardous classifications: 6.1D, 6.3B, 6.5B, 6.9B, 8.3A, 9.1A, 9.3C.

Controls: Refer to control on www.epa.govt.nz for complete wording for variation Controls.

77A Do not apply onto or into water.

Additional information: Refer to HS Notices (www.epa.govt.nz) and HSW HS Regulations (www.worksafe.govt.nz)

15.2 ACVM Act 1997

Registration number: Not applicable (exempt for label claims)

Refer to www.foodsafety.govt.nz for registration conditions.

SECTION 16: OTHER INFORMATION

16.1 Date of preparation or last revision of SDS

SDS issued	18 May 2021
SDS supersedes	Not applicable
Reason issued	Update of SDS format and product information.

16.2 ABBREVIATIONS

ADI	Acceptable Daily Intakes
CAS number	Chemical Abstracts Service Registry Number
CCID	Chemical Classification Identification Database
EPA	Environmental Protection Authority
ErC₅₀	Half maximal Effective Concentration
GHS	Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals
Hazchem Code	Emergency action code of numbers and letters that provide information to emergency services especially firefighters
HSNO	Hazardous Substances and New Organisms
HS	Health and Safety
HSR	Hazardous Substances Register
IARC	International Agency for Research on Cancer
LC₅₀	Median Lethal Concentration
LD₅₀	Median Lethal Dose
SDS	Safety Data Sheets
NOAEL	No Observable Adverse Effect Level
NOEL	No Observable Effect Level
NOS	Not otherwise specified
STEL	Short Term Exposure Limit
SWA	Safety Work Australia
TWA	Time-Weighted Average
UN Number	United Nations Number

16.3 REFERENCES

EPA CCID and Approved Substance databases

PPDB- Pesticides Properties DataBase

16.4 OTHER

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