

## Identification of Substance & Company

**Product** 

Product name
Other names
Product codes
Polyon NPK + Micros
no other names
NA

HSNO approval HSR002571

Approval description Fertilisers (Subsidiary Hazard) Group Standard 2017

UN number 2071 DG class 9

Proper Shipping Name AMMONIUM NITRATE BASED FERTILISER

Packaging group III
Hazchem code 1Z
Uses Fertiliser

**Company Details** 

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# **Emergency Telephone Number: 0800 764 766**

## 2. Hazard Identification

#### **Approval in New Zealand**

This product is an approved substance under the Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act (HSNO, Approval HSR002571, Fertilisers (Subsidiary Hazard) Group Standard 2017): The substance has been classified as hazardous according to the criteria in the Hazardous substances (Minimum Degrees of Hazard) Notice 2017.

#### Classes Hazard Statements

6.3B
6.4A
6.5B
H316 - Causes mild skin irritation.
H319 - Causes serious eye irritation.
H317 - May cause an allergic skin reaction.

9.1C H412 - Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

### **SYMBOLS**

# **WARNING**



# **Other Classification**

There are no other classifications that are known to apply.

## **Precautionary Statements**

P103 - Read label before use.

P261 - Avoid breathing dust.

P264 - Wash hands thoroughly after handling.

P273 - Avoid release to the environment.

P272 - Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace.

P280 - Wear protective gloves/eye protection.

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/attention.

P302+P352 - IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.

P333+P313 - If skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice/attention.

P363 - Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

P501 - Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulation.



#### 3. **Composition / Information on Ingredients**

Component	CAS/ Identification	Conc (%)
Ammonium nitrate	6484-52-2	35-45%
Potassium sulphate	7778-80-5	20-30%
Polymer coating	proprietary	4-17%
Monoammonium phosphate	7722-76-1	5-10%
Magnesium Sulphate	7487-88-9	5-10%
Non hazardous ingredients	mixture	5-10%
Ammonium phosphate dibasic	7783-28-0	<4%
Copper sulphate	7758-98-7	<0.4%
Zinc sulphate	7733-02-0	<0.3%

This is a commercial product whose exact ratio of components may vary. Trace quantities of impurities are also likely.

### **First Aid**

#### **General Information**

If medical advice is needed, have product container or label at hand. You should call the National Poisons Centre if you feel that you may have been harmed or irritated by this product. The number is 0800 764 766 (0800 POISON) (24 hr emergency service).

Recommended first aid

facilities

Ready access to running water is required. Accessible eyewash is required.

**Exposure** 

**Swallowed** 

IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTRE or doctor/physician if you feel unwell. Rinse

mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting. Give a glass of water to drink.

Eye contact

IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if

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

advice/attention.

Skin contact

IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water. If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/ attention. Take off contaminated clothing and wash before re-use.

Inhaled

Generally, inhalation of dusts is unlikely to result in adverse health effects. If coughing, dizziness or shortness of breath is experienced, remove the patient to fresh air immediately. If patient is unconscious, place in the recovery position (on the side) for transport and contact a doctor.

### **Advice to Doctor**

Treat symptomatically

# **Firefighting Measures**

Carbon dioxide, extinguishing powder, foam.

Fire and explosion hazards:

This product is not classed as flammable or as an oxidiser. It does contain ammonium nitrate which is considered an oxidiser. There is an explosion risk in case of fire.

Suitable extinguishing

substances:

Unsuitable extinguishing

substances:

Water jets

Products of combustion: Ammonia, nitrogen (NOx), potassium oxides, sulphur oxides (SOx). Carbon dioxide, and

> if combustion is incomplete, carbon monoxide and smoke. Water. May form toxic mixtures in air and may accumulate in sumps, pits and other low-lying spaces, forming potentially explosive mixtures.

**Protective equipment:** No special measures are required.

Hazchem code:

### Accidental Release Measures

Containment

If greater than 1000kg is stored, secondary containment and emergency plans to manage any potential spills must be in place. In all cases design storage to prevent discharge to storm water.

**Emergency procedures** 

In the event of spillage alert the fire brigade to location and give brief description of hazard. Stop the source of the leak, if safe to do so. Shut off all possible sources of ignition. Wear protective equipment to prevent skin, eye and respiratory exposure. Clear area of any unprotected personnel. Prevent by whatever means possible any spillage from entering drains, sewers, or water courses. (If this occurs contact your regional council immediately).

Clean-up method Page 2 of 6

Collect and seal in properly labelled containers or drums for disposal. If contamination of

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crops, sewers or waterways has occurred advise local emergency services. **Disposal** 

Carefully sweep up and collect recoverable material into labelled containers for recycling or salvage. Recycle containers wherever possible. This material may be suitable for

approved landfill. Dispose of only in accord with all regulations.

**Precautions** Wear protective equipment to prevent skin and eye contamination and the inhalation of

dusts. Work up wind or increase ventilation.

# Storage & Handling

Storage Keep container tightly closed. Store in a cool, dry, well ventilated place. Sote in original

container. Store away from incompatible materials listed in section 10.

Handling Keep exposure to a minimum, and minimise the quantities kept in work areas. See

section 8 with regard to personal protective equipment requirements.

# **Exposure Controls / Personal Protective Equipment**

### **Workplace Exposure Standards**

A workplace exposure standard (WES) has not been established by WorkSafe NZ for this product. There is a general limit of 3mg/m³ for respirable particulates and 10mg/m³ for inhalable particulates when limits have not otherwise been established.

**NZ** Workplace Ingredient **WES-TWA\* WES-STEL Exposure Stds** Copper sulphate 1.0 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (as Cu dust) data unavailable 10mg/m<sup>3</sup> (as Zn dust) Zinc sulphate data unavailable

### **Engineering Controls**

In industrial situations, it is expected that employee exposure to hazardous substances will be controlled to a level as far below the WES as practicable by applying the hierarchy of control required by the Health and Safety at Work Act (2015) and the Health and Safety at Work (General Risk and Workplace Management) Regulations 2016. Exposure can be reduced by process modification, use of local exhaust ventilation, capturing substances at the source, or other methods. If you believe air borne concentrations of mists, dusts or vapours are high, you are advised to modify processes or increase ventilation.

# **Personal Protective Equipment**

**Eyes** 



Avoid contact with eyes. Use safety glasses and or chemical splash goggles if splashes are possible. Select eye protection in accordance with AS/NZS 1337.

Skin



Avoid repeated or prolonged skin contact. Wear overalls, rubber boots and impervious gloves. Nitrile or rubber gloves are recommended. Protective gloves or suitably resistant material must comply with AS 2161. Replace frequently. Gloves should be checked for tears or holes before use. Protective clothing must comply with AS 2919, AS3765.1 or AS3765.2. PVC or rubber boots must comply with AS/NZS 2210.2 and selected and maintained in accordance with AS/NS2210.1. Remove protective clothing and wash exposed areas with soap and water prior to eating, drinking or smoking. Wash hands after handling.

Respiratory

A respirator when airborne concentrations approach the WES (section 8). Respirators must have filters appropriate to the duty and comply with AS/NZS1716 and selected, used and maintained in accordance with AS/NS 1715. Use a respirator with a particulate filter. If using a respirator, ensure that the cartridges are correct for the potential air contamination and are in good working order. Fit testing and clear guidelines and training for use and maintenance of PPE are necessary.

### **WES Additional Information**

Not applicable

#### **Physical & Chemical Properties** 9.

**Appearance** green solid Odour not specified Hq not available Vapour pressure no data **Viscosity** no data **Boiling point** no data Volatile materials no data Freezing / melting point no data Solubility not available Specific gravity / density not available no data

Flash point

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Danger of explosionno dataAuto-ignition temperatureno dataUpper & lower flammable limitsno dataCorrosivenessno data

10. Stability & Reactivity

Stability May explode under confinement and high temperatures but not readily detonated.

Hygroscopic: absorbs moisture or water from surrounding air.

Conditions to be avoided Containers should be kept closed in order to avoid contamination. Keep from extreme

heat and open flames.

none known

**Incompatible groups** Reducing agents. Combustible material. Strong acids. Tetranitromethane,

Dichloroisocyanuric acid, trichloroisocyanuric acid, halogen and halogen compounds,

hypochlorite, perchlorate, chloroisocyanurate, nitrates and metal powder.

Substance Specific

Incompatibility

Hazardous decomposition

products

Hazardous reactions none known

Ammonia, nitrogen (NOx), potassium oxides, sulphur oxides (SOx).

## 11. Toxicological Information

**Summary** 

IF SWALLOWED: may cause discomfort if swallowed.

IF IN EYES: causes serious eye irritation.

IF ON SKIN: dust may irritate skin.

IF INHALED: dust may cause respiratory irritation.

**Supporting Data** 

**Acute** Oral Using LD<sub>50</sub>'s for ingredients, the calculated LD<sub>50</sub> (oral, rat) for the mixture is >5,000

mg/kg. Data considered includes: ammonium nitrate 2217 mg/kg (rat), Copper sulphate

125mg/kg (rabbit), Ammonium phosphate dibasic 6500mg/kg, Potassium sulphate

6600mg/kg (rat), zinc sulphate 926mg/kg (mouse).

**Dermal** No evidence of dermal toxicity.

**Inhaled** Using LC<sub>50</sub>'s for ingredients, the calculated LC<sub>50</sub> (inhalation, rat) for the mixture is

>5mg/L. Data considered includes: ammonium nitrate >88.8 mg/L (rat), Ammonium

phosphate dibasic 8.1mg/L.

Eye The mixture is considered to be an eye irritant, because some of the ingredients present

are considered eye irritants in more concentrated form.

**Skin** The mixture is considered to be a skin irritant, because some of the ingredients present

are considered skin irritants in more concentrated form.

**Chronic** Sensitisation The mixture is considered to be a contact sensitizer, because copper sulphate present in

greater than 0.1% is known to be a contact sensitizer.

MutagenicityNo ingredient present at concentrations > 0.1% is considered a mutagen.CarcinogenicityNo ingredient present at concentrations > 0.1% is considered a carcinogen.Reproductive /No ingredient present at concentrations > 0.1% is considered a reproductive or

**Developmental** developmental toxicant or have any effects on or via lactation.

**Systemic** No ingredient present at concentrations > 1% is considered a target organ toxicant.

**Aggravation of** None known.

existing conditions

# 12. Ecological Data

# **Summary**

This mixture may be harmful towards aquatic organism with long lasting effects if undiluted.

**Supporting Data** 

**Aquatic** Using EC<sub>50</sub>'s for ingredients, the calculated EC<sub>50</sub> for the mixture is between 10 mg/L and

100 mg/L. Data considered includes: ammonium nitrate 74 mg/l (48hr) fish, 111 - 840 mg/L (48hr) (Crustacea) 83 mg/l (algae), Copper sulphate 0.0028mg/L (acute, 96hr, Fathead minnow), 0.0014mg/L (48hr, waterflea), 0.005mg/L (72hr, seawater algae), Ammonium phosphate dibasic 40mg/L (96hr, grammarus pseudolimnaeus), Potassium sulphate LC<sub>50</sub>: 1530mg/L (96hr, fish), 720mg/L (48h, crustaceans),, zinc sulphate 98.77ug/L (96hr, Oncorhynchus mykiss), 0.09877mg/L (48hr, Daphnia hyalina),

0.02469mg/L (5d, Ditylum brightwellii Diatom).

Bioaccumulation No data
Degradability No data

**Soil** No evidence of soil toxicity.

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Terrestrial vertebrate Terrestrial invertebrate See acute toxicity.

Terrestrial invertebrate Biocidal

No evidence of toxicity towards terrestrial invertebrates.

no data

### 13. Disposal Considerations

**Restrictions**There are no product-specific restrictions, however, local council and resource consent

conditions may apply, including requirements of trade waste consents.

**Disposal method**Disposal of this product must comply with the Hazardous Substances (Disposal) Notice 2017 and the requirements of the Resource Management Act for which approval should

be sought from the Regional Authority. The substance must be treated and therefore

rendered non-hazardous before discharge to the environment.

**Contaminated packaging**Disposal of contaminated packaging must comply with the Hazardous Substances

(Disposal) Notice 2017 clause 12. Ensure that the package is rendered incapable of containing any substance and is disposed in a manner that is consistent with the requirements of the substance it contained and the material of the package. If possible

reuse or recycle packaging.

# 14. Transport Information

Land Transport Rule: Dangerous Goods 2005 - NZS 5433:2007

Transport according to NZS 5433 (Transport of Hazardous Substances on Land). Considered a dangerous good for

transport.

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Packing group:

FERTILISER

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Class(es) 9
Precautions Read safety

Read safety Hazchem code: instructions, SDS and

emergency procedures before handling.

# 15. Regulatory Information

This product is an approved substance under the Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act (HSNO). Approval code: HSR002571, Fertilisers (Subsidiary Hazard) Group Standard 2017. All ingredients appear on the New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals NZIoC.

#### **Specific Controls**

Key workplace requirements are:

SDS To be available within 10 minutes in workplaces storing any quantity.

Inventory An inventory of all hazardous substances must be prepared and maintained.

Packaging All hazardous substances should be appropriately packaged including substances

that have been decanted, transferred or manufactured for own use or have been

supplied

Labelling Must comply with the Hazardous Substances (Labelling) Notice 2017.

Emergency plan Required if > 1000kg is stored.

Certified handler Not required.
Tracking Not required.

Bunding & secondary containment Required if > 1000kg is stored.

Signage Required if > 1000kg is stored.

Location compliance certificate Not required.
Flammable zone Not required.
Fire extinguisher Not required.

Note: The above workplace requirements apply if only this particular substance is present. The complete set of controls for a location will depend on the classification and total quantities of other substances present in that location.

#### Other Legislation

In New Zealand, the use of this product may come under the Resource Management Act and Regulations, the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 and the Health and Safety at Work (General Risk and Workplace Management) Regulations 2016, local Council Rules and Regional Council Plans.



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### 16. Other Information

**Abbreviations** 

Approval Code Approval HSR002571, Fertilisers (Subsidiary Hazard) Group Standard 2017 Controls,

EPA. www.epa.govt.nz

CAS Number Unique Chemical Abstracts Service Registry Number

Ecotoxic Concentration 50% – concentration in water which is fatal to 50% of a test

population (e.g. daphnia, fish species)

**EPA** Environmental Protection Authority (New Zealand)

GHS Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals

HAZCHEM Code Emergency action code of numbers and letters that provide information to emergency

services, especially fire fighters

**HSNO** Hazardous Substances and New Organisms (Act and Regulations)

IARC International Agency for Research on Cancer
LEL/UEL Lower Explosive Limit/ Upper Explosive Limit

**LD**<sub>50</sub> Lethal Dose 50% – dose which is fatal to 50% of a test population (usually rats).

Lethal Concentration 50% – concentration in air which is fatal to 50% of a test population

(usually rats)

MSDS (SDS) Material Safety Data Sheet (or Safety Data Sheet)

NZIoC New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals

STEL Short Term Exposure Limit - The maximum airborne concentration of a chemical or

biological agent to which a worker may be exposed in any 15 minute period, provided the

TWA is not exceeded

TWA Time Weighted Average – generally referred to WES averaged over typical work day

(usually 8 hours)

UN Number United Nations Number

WES Workplace Exposure Standard - The airborne concentration of a biological or chemical

agent to which a worker may be exposed during work hours (usually 8 hours, 5 days a week). The WES relates to exposure that has been measured by personal monitoring

using procedures that gather air samples in the worker's breathing zone.

References

Unless otherwise stated comes from the EPA HSNO chemical classification information

database (CCID).

Controls EPA notices, www.epa.govt.nz, Health and Safety at Work (Hazardous Substances)

Regulations 2017, www.legislation.govt.nz

WES The latest NZ Workplace Exposure Standards, published by WorkSafe NZ and available

on their web site - www.worksafe.govt.nz.

ES Workplace Exposure standards for airborne contaminants – Safework Australia.

Other References: Suppliers SDS, EU ECHA, ingredients SDS's, ChemIDplus

Review

DateReason for reviewJanuary 2020Not applicable – new SDS

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