


Rhododendron Fertiliser

Section 1: SUBSTANCE IDENTIFICATION AND SUPPLIER

Product Name:	Rhododendron Fertiliser
Product Code:	N/A
Recommended Use:	Agricultural Fertiliser
Restrictions of Use:	Refer to Section 15
Company Identification:	Ravensdown Limited
Address:	292 Main South Road, Hornby, Christchurch, 8042 PO Box 1049, Christchurch 8011
Customer Centre:	0800 100 123
National Poisons Information Centre:	0800 POISON (0800 764 766)
Emergency Phone Number:	0800 CHEMCALL (0800 243 622) (24hr) (Emergencies Only)
Transport Emergency Phone Number:	111 - tell operator what service is needed: Fire, Ambulance or Police
Date of SDS Preparation	20 May 2022

Section 2: HAZARD IDENTIFICATION

This substance is hazardous according to the EPA Hazardous Substances (Classification) Notice 2020

EPA Approval No:	Fertilisers (subsidiary) – HSR002571
Pictograms:	
Signal Word:	Warning

GHS Classification and Category	Hazard Code	Hazard Statement
Acute oral toxicity Cat. 4	H302	Harmful if swallowed.
Eye irritation Cat. 2	H319	Causes serious eye irritation.
Reproductive toxicity Cat. 2	H361	Suspected of damaging fertility or the unborn child.
Hazardous to the aquatic environment chronic Cat. 4	H413	May cause long lasting harmful effects to aquatic life.

Prevention Code	Prevention Statement
P102	Keep out of reach of children.
P103	Read label before use.
P201	Obtain special instructions before use.
P202	Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.
P264	Wash hands thoroughly after handling.
P270	Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
P273	Avoid release to the environment.
P280	Wear protective clothing as detailed in Section 8.

P281	Use personal protective equipment as required.
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Response Code	Response Statement
P101	If medical advice is needed, have product container or label at hand.
P330	Rinse mouth.
P301 + P312	IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.
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.
P337 + P313	If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.

Storage Code	Storage Statement
P405	Store locked up.

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

Section 3: COMPOSITION INFORMATION

INGREDIENT	CAS No.	CONTENT %
Sulphur Super 30	Proprietary/Mixture	50-55
Ammonium Sulphate	7783-20-2	<0.1
Borate 46	Proprietary/Mixture	<0.5

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 skin with plenty of soap and water. If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/ attention.
If ingested:	Rinse mouth. 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. Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.
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. Get medical advice if breathing becomes difficult.
Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed	
Symptoms:	
Eyes:	Causes serious eye irritation.
Skin:	Not applicable.
Ingested:	Harmful if swallowed.
Inhaled:	Not applicable.
Chronic:	Suspected of damaging fertility or the unborn child.

Section 5: FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Hazard Type	Not flammable or combustible.
Hazards from combustion products	No data available.
Suitable Extinguishing media	Use media suitable for surrounding materials.
Precautions for firefighters and special protective clothing	Wear full protective gear.
HAZCHEM CODE	None allocated

Section 6: ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures:

Wear appropriate protective clothing as detailed in Section 8. Exclude non-essential people from the area. If possible, avoid contact with eyes and skin. Avoid generation of dusts, do not inhale.

Environmental precautions:

Avoid from entering drains, waterways or sewers.

Methods and material for containment and cleaning up:

Scrape up the product with a shovel and put it in a container which can always be used if the product is not contaminated Forward for disposal. Clean up affected area with plenty of water. Dispose as per Section 13.

Section 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling:	<p>Read label before use. Obtain special instructions before use. Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Wash hands thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Wear protective clothing as detailed in Section 8. Use personal protective equipment as required. Avoid generating dusts, do not breathe dusts. Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid release to the environment.</p>
Storage:	<p>Store locked up. Store out of reach of children. Store away from incompatible materials listed in Section 10. Store in a cool, dry area.</p>

Section 8: EXPOSURE CONTROL/PERSONAL PROTECTION

WORKPLACE EXPOSURE STANDARDS (provided for guidance only)

Substance	TWA ppm mg/m ³	STEL ppm mg/m ³
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No exposure limits have been assigned for this product.

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 April 2022 13TH EDITION.

Engineering Controls:	Ensure ventilation is adequate of work place.
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Personal Protection Equipment:



Eyes:	Wear goggles with side shields. Avoid wearing contact lenses.
Skin/Hands:	Wear protective gloves.
Respiratory:	Wear a protective mask.
General:	Always wash hands after handling product. Do not drink, eat or smoke at workplace. Wash contaminated clothing before re-use.

Section 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance	Mainly granular with some powder, flake and crystals
Colour	Brown/Grey and White/cream granules with white powder or flake and white/colourless crystals, yellow sulphur may be visible
Odour	Nil
Odour Threshold	Not available
pH	Not available
Boiling Point	Not available
Melting Point	Not available
Freezing Point	Not available
Flash Point	Not available
Flammability	Not available
Upper and Lower Explosive Limits	Not available
Vapour Pressure	Not available
Vapour Density	Not available
Specific Gravity	Not available
Water Solubility	Components range from high through medium to low solubility
Partition Coefficient:	Not available
Auto-ignition Temperature	Not applicable
Decomposition Temperature	Not available
Kinematic Viscosity	Not available
Granulometrics (mm)	Not available

Section 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Stability of Substance	Stable under normal conditions. The mixture is slightly hygroscopic.
Possibility of hazardous reactions	Not data available.
Conditions to Avoid	None when applied and handled in accordance with conditions for use.
Incompatible Materials	Strong oxidizing agents
Hazardous Decomposition Products	No data available.

Section 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute Effects:

Swallowed	Harmful if swallowed. Mixture rules calculation = LD50 969 mg/kg
Dermal	Not applicable
Inhalation	Not applicable
Eye	Causes serious eye irritation.
Skin	Not applicable.

Chronic Effects:

Carcinogenicity	Not applicable
Reproductive Toxicity	Suspected of damaging fertility or the unborn child.
Germ Cell Mutagenicity	Not applicable
Aspiration	Not applicable
STOT/SE	Not applicable
STOT/RE	Not applicable

Individual component information:

Acute Toxicity:

Chemical Name	Oral – LD50	Dermal – LD50	Inhalation – LC50
Granular Ammonium Sulphate	2840 mg/kg (rat) / CCID (NZ) = 640 mg/kg	-	-

	(mouse)		
Potassium Sulphate	6600 mg/kg (rat)		
Kieserite	5000 mg/kg (mouse)		

Section 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

May cause long lasting harmful effects to aquatic life.

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

Avoid unintended release into streams and waterways.

Section 13: DISPOSAL INFORMATION

Disposal Method:	Using the product correctly should not generate waste. Disposal of unused product in the landfill. Dispose empty packaging safely with domestic rubbish.
Precautions or methods to avoid:	Avoid unintended release into streams and waterways.

Section 14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION

This product is NOT classified as a Dangerous Good for transport in NZ ; NZS 5433:2012

Section 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION

This substance is classified hazardous according to the EPA Hazardous Substances (Classification) Notice 2020

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HSW (HS) Regulations 2017	Trigger Quantity
Signage Trigger Quantities (Schedule 3)	Not required
Emergency Response Plan (Schedule 5)	1000 kg
Secondary Containment (Schedule 5)	1000 kg
Tracking (Schedule 26)	Not required
Certified Handlers	Not required
Location Certificate	Not required
Restrictions of use	None known.

Section 16: OTHER INFORMATION

Glossary

Cat	Category
EC ₅₀	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 ₅₀	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 2020 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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