

SAFETY DATA SHEET



Fumasol[®] Soil fumigant

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1. SUBSTANCE/PREPARATION AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Chemical name of active ingredient(s): Metam sodium
Sodium N-methyldithiocarbamate

Recommended use: Soil Fumigation

Supplier: Etec Crop Solutions Limited
PO Box 51584
Pakuranga, Auckland
Phone 0800 100 325

Emergency telephone number: 0800 Poison (0800 764 766) 24 Hours

2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Hazard Classification: Toxic: 6.1D, 6.3A, 6.4A, 6.5B, 6.7B, 6.8B, 6.9A,
Ecotoxic: 9.1A, 9.2C, 9.3C

Required identification Details: Approved Handler applies
This product needs to be tracked
HARMFUL
KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN
ECOTOXIC
May be harmful if swallowed, inhaled or absorbed through the skin.
May cause skin and eye irritation.
May cause sensitization from prolonged skin contact.
Causes burns. Contact with acids liberates toxic gas.
Repeated oral exposure at high doses is suspected of causing cancer and reproductive damage.
TOXIC - repeated exposure at high doses is suspected of causing damage to the respiratory system.
ECOTOXIC - very toxic to aquatic organisms. May cause long-term effects in the aquatic environment.
Harmful to the soil environment and to terrestrial vertebrates.

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Substance/preparation Information on hazardous ingredients

Common name	CAS No	%
Metam sodium	137-42-8	42

4. FIRST-AID MEASURES

Description of necessary first aid measures:

If symptoms persist seek medical help. Show this safety data sheet to the medical practitioner.

Effects and symptoms

First-aid measures

Inhalation of product mist may cause irritation of the nose, throat and respiratory tract.

Ingestion of product solution may cause irritation of the gastrointestinal tract to include nausea, vomiting and diarrhea.

Fumasol is classified as slightly toxic to humans.

Skin contact with product may cause skin irritation.

Repeated/prolonged skin contact may cause hypersensitivity type dermatitis. Skin absorption is unlikely to occur.

Eyes: Contact with the eyes by may cause irritation or a burning sensation.

Inhalation:

Remove victim from contaminated atmosphere. Move to fresh air. If breathing is laboured, administer oxygen. If breathing has ceased, clear airway and start mouth to mouth resuscitation. If heart has stopped beating, external heart massage should be applied. Obtain immediate medical attention.

Ingestion:

If swallowed, seek medical advice and show this safety data sheet or label. DO NOT INDUCE VOMITING. Give 1 or 2 glasses of water. If vomiting does occur, repeat fluid administration. Treat symptomatically. If unconscious or convulsing, do not give fluids. Obtain immediate medical attention.

Skin contact:

Immediately flush with large quantities of water for 15 minutes. Remove contaminated clothing (under a safety shower). Do not neutralize with chemical agents. Obtain medical attention if irritation occurs.

Eye contact:

Immediately flush with large quantities of water for 15 minutes. Remove contact lenses if present and easy to do. Hold eyelids apart during irrigation to insure thorough flushing of the entire area of the eye and lids. Do not attempt to neutralize with chemical agents or use oils or ointments. Obtain immediate medical attention. Continue flushing if medical help not immediately available.

Notes to a physician:

Treat symptomatically.

5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

HAZCHEM Code:

3Z

Extinguishing media:

Fine water mist or fog, carbon dioxide, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemicals.

DO NOT USE HIGH VOLUME WATER JET.

Specific methods:

The product itself doesn't burn. Cool container/tanks with water spray. Do not flush into surface water or sewer system. Keep product and empty container away from heat and sources of ignition.

Protection of fire-fighters:

In the event of fire, wear self contained breathing apparatus. Wash, decontaminate removed clothing before re-use.

Specific hazards

Heating or fire can release toxic gas. Flammable.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions:

Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Wear protective gloves/clothing and eye/face protection. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Keep people away from upwind of spill/leak. Remove immediately adhering matter. Prevent product from entering sewers, drains or surface waterways. Toxic to fish. Confine and absorb small releases on sand, earth or other inert absorbent material. Place in a chemical waste container.

Environmental precautions:

Methods for cleaning up:

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling:

In accordance with local and national regulations. Use only in a well ventilated area. Use spark-proof tools and explosion-proof equipment.

Avoid contact with eyes. Wear personal protective equipment. Wash thoroughly after handling. Avoid prolonged or repeated breathing of vapors. Avoid prolonged or repeated contact with the skin.

Storage:

In accordance with local and national regulations. Store in cool, dry, well ventilated areas in closed container. Do not reuse empty containers.

Do not store combustibles in the area of storage vessels. Keep away from any sources of heat or flame. Do not store near acids.

Packaging materials:

Dispose of in compliance with local and national regulations. Metal Drums

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Workplace Exposure Guidelines

Workplace exposure standards:

Not Established

Exposure Standards outside:

The workplace:

TEL:

Not Established

EEL:

Not Established

Engineering measures

Exposure control measures:

Use adequate exhaust ventilation to prevent inhalation of product.

Personal Protective Equipment

Detail specifications for equipment:

Respiratory system:

Wear full protective gear and self-contained breathing apparatus.

Skin and body:	Wear suitable protective equipment. Choose body protection according to the amount and concentration of the substance at the workplace
Hands:	Neoprene gloves. Choose body protection according to the amount and concentration of the substance at the workplace.
Eyes:	Chemical goggles and a full face shield.
Environmental exposure controls:	Prevent product from entering drains, sewers and mixing with surface water. Avoid subsoil penetrations.
General hygiene:	Do not eat, drink or smoke while handling. Wash face, hands and exposed skin after work and before eating or drinking.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Physical state, odour & colour:	Amber to green liquid with slightly sulphurous odour.
pH:	7.5 – 10.5 (42% solution)
Vapour Pressure:	0.0575 Pa @ 25°C (99.9%)
Boiling Point:	97 - 102°C
Freezing/melting point:	NA
Solubility:	578.29 g/L (99.9%)
Specific gravity or density:	1.15 – 1.21 g/ml
Viscosity:	3.54cSt @20°C
Flashpoint:	>NA
Octanol/water partition coefficient:	Log Pow -2.91
Explosion properties:	Not Explosive
Oxidation properties:	Not an oxidizer

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Stability:	Stable under normal conditions of storage and use.
Conditions to avoid:	Heat
Materials to avoid:	Metam sodium solutions are corrosive to copper, zinc, or aluminum or any of their alloys such as brass, or galvanized materials. These materials of construction should not be used in handling systems or storage containers for this product. Decomposes by reaction with strong acids.
Hazardous decomposition Products:	Combustible material. Contact with acids liberates toxic gas. Avoid subsoil penetration. MITC vapour can be released during processing. Other hazardous decomposition products: carbon oxides, nitrogen oxides, sulphur oxides.
Hazardous polymerization:	Will not occur
Specific Data:	
Hazardous reactions :	None known.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute toxicity – Oral :	Acute Oral LD50 = 896 mg/kg (Rat)
Acute toxicity - Dermal :	Acute Dermal LD50 > 2,000 mg/kg (Rat)
Acute toxicity – Inhalation:	Acute Inhalation LC50 =2.54mg/L, 4 hr (Rat)
Skin irritation :	Corrosive (rabbit)

Eye irritation: None (rabbit)
Sensitization : Causes sensitisation on guinea pigs.
Human experience: Causes severe burns, headache, nausea, respiratory disorders, eye irritation.

Chronic toxicity

Carcinogenicity: Did not show mutagenic or carcinogenic effects in animal experiments.
Other information: Repeated oral exposure at high doses is suspected of causing cancer and reproductive damage.
Repeated exposure at high doses is suspected of causing damage to the respiratory system.

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity
E.E.L Not established
T.E.L Not established
Fish LC₅₀ : 0.10 – 100 mg/L

Daphnia magna EC₅₀ 1 – 10 mg/L (48h)
Algae EC₅₀ 0.56 mg/L (72h)
Bacteria IC₅₀ : 4.36 mg/L (3h)
Mobility Koc = <50
Persistence/degradability Soil Aquatic environment: According to the results of tests of biodegradability this product is considered a being readily biodegradable.

Bioaccumulative potential: minimum

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste from Residues / Unused product Dispose of in accordance with local regulations.
Waste codes should be assigned by the user based on the application for which the product was used.
Classified as hazardous waste.

Container disposal: Triple rinse container and add residue to spray tank. Burn if permitted and circumstances, especially wind direction permit, otherwise bury in landfill.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION - International transport regulations

UN number: 3267
Class or Division: 8
Sub Class: 9
Packing Group: III
Marine Pollutant: Yes
Proper shipping name : CORROSIVE LIQUID,BASIC,ORGANIC,N.O.S. (Contains 51% metam sodium)
Other Information:

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

ACVM Registered Number:
HSNO Approval Code:

Registered pursuant to ACVM Act 1997, No. P4234
HSNO Approval Code HSR000628

16. OTHER INFORMATION

Additional information:

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