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# **SAFETY DATA SHEET**

1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER:

Product Name: Vegetable Food Fertiliser

**Recommended Use:** Fertiliser for use in home gardens.

Company: Tui Products Ltd

Address: Truman Lane, Mount Maunganui

New Zealand

**Telephone Number:** +64 7 5752160

Emergency Telephone Numbers: 0800 CHEMCALL (0800 243 622) 24 hours

0800 POISON (0800 764 766) National Poisons Centre

111 - New Zealand Fire Service

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# 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION:

Dangerous Goods: Not classified as a Dangerous Good according to NZS 5433:2012 Transport of

Dangerous Goods on Land.

Hazardous Substance (HSNO): Classified as hazardous according to criteria in the HS (Minimum Degree of

Hazard) Regulations 2001.

**HSNO Hazard Classifications:** 6.1E, 6.4A, 9.1D.

Signal Word: Warning



**Hazard Statements:** May be harmful if swallowed.

May be harmful if inhaled. Causes eye irritation.

May cause long lasting harmful effects to aquatic life.

**Prevention Statements:** Keep out of reach of children.

Read label before use.

Read Safety Data Sheet before use.

Wash hands, arms and face thoroughly after handling.

Wear eye/face protection.

Response Statements: Call a POISON CENTRE or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.

If medical advice is needed, have product container or label at hand.

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

Do NOT induce vomiting.

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.



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3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS:			
COMPONENT	CONCENTRATION	CAS NUMBER	
Ammonium Nitrate	1 - 20%	6484-52-2	
Calcium Carbonate	1 – 10%	471-34-1	

# 4. FIRST AID MEASURES:

For advice, contact the National Poisons Centre 0800 POISON (0800 764 766) or a doctor/physician.

**Inhalation:** Remove to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for

breathing. Contact a doctor immediately.

**Ingestion:** If swallowed, seek immediate medical attention. Do NOT induce

vomiting unless directed to do so by medical personnel.

**Eye Contact:** Immediately flush with cold water. Continue for at least 15 minutes.

Remove contact lenses if present and easy to do so. Seek medical

advice.

**Skin Contact:** Wash the skin well with plenty of water and soap whilst removing

contaminated clothing. Wash clothing before re-use. If irritation occurs

seek medical advice.

Notes to Physician: Treat symptomatically.

# **5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES:**

Suitable Extinguishing Media: Water.

Precautions for fire fighters and special protective clothing:

Decomposes on heating emitting toxic fumes. Fire fighters to wear self-contained breathing apparatus and suitable protective clothing.

**Hazards from combustion products:** Decomposes on heating emitting toxic fumes including oxides of

carbon, oxides of calcium, nitrogen monoxide, nitrogen dioxide, di-

nitrogen oxide, ammonia.

# 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES:

**Emergency Procedures:** Protect yourself and others from injury. Wear appropriate protective

clothing to prevent skin and eye contact and breathing in dust. If contamination of sewers or waterways has occurred advise local

emergency services.

Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment and Emergency

Procedures:

Refer to SDS section 7 for handling and precautionary measures. Refer to SDS section 8 for additional information and personal protection equipment to prevent contamination of skin, eyes and

personal clothing.

**Environmental Precautions:** Contain – Prevent product from entering into soil, ditches, sewers,

waterways and/or groundwater.

Methods and Materials for Containment and Clean up:

Contain the spill and prevent entry into waterways and drains. Avoid generating dust. Wear appropriate protective clothing to prevent skin and eye contact. Avoid breathing in dust. Contain spill and sweep or vacuum up, collect spilled product and place in properly

labelled, sealable container for reuse or disposal.

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emergency services.



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# 7. HANDLING & STORAGE:

Precautions for safe handling and storage:

**Handling:** Keep out of reach of children.

Avoid skin and eye and contact.

Avoid generating dust, and do not breathe in dust.

After work, clean up spilled material, remove protective clothing and equipment, wash hands before eating, drinking, and chewing gum, using tobacco or using the toilet. ash protective clothing, equipment

and work area after use.

Storage: Wash hands, face and exposed skin thoroughly after handling.

Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated areas. Avoid unintended release to the environment.

Avoid static discharges.

Store in a tightly closed original container in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area out of direct sunlight. Store away from children, animals, food, feedstuffs, drink containers and sources of ignition,

combustible material and other fertilisers.

Keep containers closed when not in use and check regularly for leaks.

Vegetable Food Fertiliser is subject to the requirement for an emergency management plan, and signage whenever it is held in quantities of 1000 kg or more, either alone or in aggregate with other hazardous substances. See Hazardous Substances Emergency Management and Identification Regulations for further information.

# 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION:

Occupational Exposure Limits: No ADE, PDE or TEL values are set by EPA for this substance at this

time.

No WES values are set by EPA for this substance at this time. However WES for constituent<sup>(1)</sup> Calcium Carbonate (CAS 471-34-1):

WES-TWA =  $10 \text{mg/m}^3$ .

**Engineering Controls:** Handle in a well-ventilated area; ensure ventilation is adequate to

maintain air concentrations below exposure standards. If dust is generated use local extraction to control. Avoid inhalation of dust.

Keep containers closed when not in use.

Personal Protective Equipment: Avoid contact with eyes, skin and breathing in dust

**Respiratory Protection:** 

Use with adequate ventilation, atmospheric levels should be

maintained below the exposure guidelines.

Skin protection:

Using rubber gloves is recommended when handling.

Wash hands, face and exposed skin thoroughly after use and before

smoking, eating, drinking or using the toilet.

Eye protection:

Avoid eye contact when handling. Safety glasses can be used to

reduce eye contact.



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9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES:

**Appearance:** Solid green/blue granules and white, grey and brown powder.

Odour: Non-specific.

**pH:** Not available.

Solubility in water: Partially Soluble

Bulk Density (kg/m³): Not available.

Flash point (°C): Not applicable.

Specific Gravity: Not available.

Melting Point (°C): Not applicable.

10. STABILITY and REACTIVITY:

**Chemical Stability:** Stable under normal conditions of use.

Conditions to avoid: Avoid excessive heat. Avoid creating dust when handling.

**Incompatible materials:** Sulphur, chlorites, chloride, chlorates, hypochlorites, acid or

alkaline reacting substances, flammable oxidizable substances, nitrites, metallic salts, metallic powder, herbicide, chlorinated

hydrocarbons, organic compounds.

**Hazardous decomposition products:** Decomposes on heating emitting toxic fumes including oxides of

carbon, oxides of calcium, nitrogen monoxide, nitrogen dioxide, di-

nitrogen oxide, ammonia.

**Hazardous Reactions:** Evolution of ammonia under influence of alkalis.

### 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION:

**Potential Health Effects:** This section includes possible adverse effects, which could occur if the product is not handled in the recommended manner.

**Eye Contact:** An eye irritant. Causes serious eye irritation. Exposure to the dust may cause

discomfort, pain or redness. Prolonged or repeated exposure may produce

conjunctivitis.

**Skin:** Contact with skin may result in irritation.

Prolonged or repeated skin exposure may result in irritation, itching and rash.

**Ingestion:** Ingestion of can result in the generation of uncomfortable quantities of carbon dioxide

gas in the stomach. Ingestion of large doses can result in nausea, vomiting,

gastrointestinal irritation and abdominal pain.

**Inhalation:** Breathing in dust may result in respiratory irritation or upper respiratory tract infection.

**Toxicity Data:** No  $LD_{50}$  data available for the product.

**Long Term Effects:** This product contains small amounts of crystalline silica. Long-term exposure to

crystalline silica causes silicosis, a form of pulmonary fibrosis. Continued exposure to crystalline silica can lead to cardiopulmonary impairment. Symptoms are usually

delayed (10 years or more).

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# 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION:

**Ecotoxicity:** Avoid unintended release to the environment, sewers or waterways.

# 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS:

Disposal methods:

Dispose of this product by using in accordance with the product label directions.

Do not dispose of this product; down drains or sewers.

Collect any unused product and dispose of in an approved landfill. Packaging disposal – Dispose of packaging safely with domestic rubbish or crush and bury packaging in a suitable approved landfill. If wastes and/or packaging cannot be disposed of according to the product label directions, disposal of this material must be in accordance with your local area regulatory authorities following all applicable regional, national and local laws and regulations. Some local authorities offer hazardous waste collection, contact your local council for details.

### 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION:

Not classified as a Dangerous Good for Transport.

Maximum volume permitted to be transported in a passenger service vehicle: 10 kg per bag.

# 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION:

EPA New Zealand Approval Code: HSR002571.

### **16. OTHER INFORMATION:**

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**Abbreviations in SDS: EPA**: The Environmental Protection Authority of New Zealand.

**LD**<sub>50</sub>: Lethal Dose-50%. The doses of a chemical that will kill 50% of the test

animals receiving it.

pH: A measurement of how acidic or alkaline a material is using a scale of 1 -14.

pH 1 is strongly acidic, pH 14 is strongly alkaline.

WES: Work place exposure standard set by EPA or NZ Dept. of Labour Health

& Safety.

(1) Workplace Exposure and Biological Exposure Indices, 6<sup>th</sup> Edition.

Effective from JULY 2011. NZ Department of Labour, Health & Safety.

### **DISCLAIMER:**

This product must be used strictly as directed. To the maximum extent permitted by law Tui Products Limited, its officers, employees, agents, distributors and retailers shall have no liability to any purchaser or user of this product, or any other person, for any loss, damage or injury (including personal injury) arising out of the use or storage of this product otherwise than in accordance with the directions for use and storage.

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