# **MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET**

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Product Name: Scythe® Herbicide Contact: Mycogen Corporation

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Primary Hazards: Skin and Eye Irritant

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SECTION 1 - MATERIAL IDENTIFICATION

**INGREDIENT 1** 

Mycogen Code:

EPA Registration No.:

Common Name: Pelargonic Acid
Chemical Name: Nonanoic Acid
Molecular Formula: C9H18O2
CAS Number: 112-05-0

Percent: 57%

**INGREDIENT 2** 

Common Name: Paraffinic petroleum oil
Chemical Name: Non Applicable (mixture
Molecular Formula: Non Applicable (mixture)

CAS Number 64741-88-4

Percent: 30%

**INGREDIENT 3** 

Common Name: Emulsifies and other short chain fatty acids

Chemical Name: Trade Secret
Molecular Formula: Trade Secret
CAS Number: Trade Secret

Percent: 13%

SECTION 2 - PHYSICAL DATA

Boiling Point: 230 - 237°C (atmospheric pressure)

Melting Point: 12.5°C

Vapor Pressure: 20 mm Hg @ 153°C

Specific Gravity: 0.900

Solubility in Water: Emulsifiable in water

Appearance: Colorless to faint yellow liquid

Odor: Wax-like odor

pH: 3.75 (1% solution in distilled water)

SECTION 3 FIRE AND EXPLOSION DATA

Flash Point: >200°F

Method: Pensky Martine Closed Cup

Extinguishing Media: Use water spray, dry chemical, foam or carbon

dioxide.

SECTION 3 FIRE AND EXPLOSION DATA (Cont)

Special Fire Fighting

Procedures: Wear self-contained breathing apparatus

when fire fighting in confined area.

Unusual Fire and

Explosion Hazards: Foam or Water can cause frothing.

SECTION 4 - REACTIVITY

Stability: Stable
Hazardous Poly-merization None likely.
Materials to Avoid: Oxidizing agents.

Hazardous Decomposition Products: Decomposition may produce carbon

dioxide and carbon monoxide.

**SECTION 5 - HEALTH HAZARD** 

Primary Route of Entry: Dermal, Inhalation.

Exposure Limit: TLV: 5 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (Ingredient 2).

Corrosivity: Not Corrosive.

Skin/Eye Irritation: Moderate skin, severe eye irritant

Sensitization: Not a sensitizer.

Effects of Overexposure: Prolonged or repeated exposure may be

irritating to skin, eyes, and mucous membranes. Highly irritating to eyes.

Toxicity: None of the components of this product are listed as carcinogenic by

NTP, IARC, or OSHA

Acute Studies

Oral LD50 (Rat): > 5000 mg/kg (low toxicity)
Dermal LD50 (Rabbit): > 2000 mg/kg (low toxicity)

Inhalation LC50 (Rat): > 5.29 mg/L (4 hour) (low toxicity)

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#### **SECTION 6 - FIRST AID**

Emergency First Aid Procedures:

If swallowed: Call a doctor or get medical attention. Do not induce

vomiting. Do not give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Drink promptly a large quantity of milk, eggwhites, gelatin solution, or if these are not available, drink large

quantities of water. Avoid alcohol.

If on skin: Wash with plenty of soap and water. Get medical attention if

irritation persists.

If in eyes: Hold eyelids open and flush with a steady, gentle stream of

water for 15 minutes. Get medical attention if irritation

persists.

Note to Physician: Contains petroleum distillates. Vomiting may cause

aspiration pneumonia.

# SECTION 7 - SPILL, LEAK AND DISPOSAL PROCEDURES

Steps To Be Taken In Case Material Is Released Or Spilled:

Do not breath vapor. Do not handle in confined spaces without adequate ventilation. If inadequate use suitable respirator. Avoid contact with skin and eyes.

Contain leaking liquid with sand, earth or other absorbent and place in a clean container for disposal.

Waste Disposal Method:

Waste, including spills or rinsates, and leftover pesticide that cannot be used according to label instructions must be disposed of according to applicable federal, state, and local procedures.

### SECTION 8 - SPECIAL HANDLING

Clothing: Wear long-sleeved shirt and long pants, and shoes

plus socks.

Respiratory Protection: Ensure good ventilation. Specific respiratory

protection should not be necessary.

Protective Gloves: Wear chemical resistant-gloves such as barrier

laminate, nitrile rubber or neoprene rubber.

Eye Protection: Protective eyewear such as chemical safety goggles

should be worn.

Although general guidance has been provided, the degree of protection required in a particular situation depends on factors such as concentration and duration. More detailed advice on protective devices is available from Mycogen.

#### **SECTION 9 - SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS**

Precautions To Be Taken In Handling And Storing:

Keep in original container, tightly closed in a safe place.

Empty container completely and dispose of safely.

Wash any contamination from skin or eyes immediately. Remove any heavily contaminated clothing immediately.

Wash hands and exposed skin before eating, drinking, or smoking and after

working with product.

#### Environmental Hazards:

This product may be hazardous to aquatic invertebrates. Do not apply directly to water or areas where surface water is present, or to intertidal areas below the mean high water mark. Do not contaminate water by disposal of equipment washwaters.

# **SECTION 10 - SHIPPING REGULATIONS**

DOT Shipping Name: None
DOT Hazard Class/ I.D. No.: None
DOT Label(s): None

Freight Classification: Compounds, Tree or Weed Killing,

Herbicides, N.O.I. NMFC 50320, Class 60

SARA Title III Hazard Classification:

Immediate (acute) Health:

Delayed (chronic) Health:

No
Fire:

Sudden Release of Pressure:

No
Reactive:

No

National Fire Protection Association Rating: Health: 2

Flammability: 1
Reactivity: 0

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