

Section 1 - Identification of Chemical Product and Company

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Trade Name: Fertico Granular Gypsum
Product Use: Granulated gypsum for direct application to pastures and crops.
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Section 2 - Hazards Identification

Statement of Hazardous Nature

This product is not classified as hazardous according to the criteria of NOHSC Australia.

Not a Dangerous Good according to the Australian Dangerous Goods (ADG) Code.

Risk Phrases: Not Hazardous according to criteria of Worksafe Australia.

Safety Phrases: Not Hazardous according to criteria of Worksafe Australia

SUSDP Classification: None allocated.

ADG Classification: None allocated. Not a Dangerous Good.

UN Number: None allocated

Emergency Overview

Physical Description & colour: Light coloured granular solid

Odour: No discernible odour

Major Health Hazards: No significant risk factors have been found for this product.

Potential Health Effects

Inhalation: Available data indicates that this product should present no significant problems to typical persons if used as directed. Dust may be slightly irritating to upper respiratory tract.

Skin Contact: Available data indicates that this product should present no significant problems to typical persons if used as directed but may cause dryness of the skin with repeated contact.

Eye Contact: May be Irritative by mechanical abrasion if exposed to dust

Ingestion: Available data indicates that this product should present no significant problems to typical persons if used as directed – may be irritating to throat due to sandy texture

Carcinogen Status:

ASCC: No significant ingredient is classified as carcinogenic by ASCC.

NTP: No significant ingredient is classified as carcinogenic by NTP.

IARC: No significant ingredient is classified as carcinogenic by IARC.

Section 3 - Composition/Information on Ingredients

Ingredients	CAS No	Conc.%	TWA (mg/m ³)	STEL (mg/m ³)
Calcium Sulphate Dihydrate (Gypsum)	77030-59-2	90	not set	not set
Calcium Carbonate	471-34-1	0-10	not set	not set
Magnesium Carbonate	7757-69-9	0-10	not set	not set
Inert Non Hazardous binder				

This is a commercial product whose exact ratio of components may vary slightly. Minor quantities of other non hazardous ingredients are also possible.

The ASCC TWA exposure value is the average airborne concentration of a particular substance when calculated over a normal 8 hour working day for a 5 day working week. There is a blanket limit of 10mg/m³ for dusts or mists when limits have not otherwise been established. The STEL (Short Term Exposure Limit) is an exposure value that may be equalled (but should not be exceeded) for no longer than 15 minutes and should not be repeated more than 4 times per day. There should be at least 60 minutes between successive exposures at the STEL. The term "peak" is used when the TWA limit, because of the rapid action of the substance, should never be exceeded, even briefly.

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Section 4 - First Aid Measures

General Information:

You should call The Poisons Information Centre if you feel that you may have been poisoned, burned or irritated by this product. The number is 13 1126 from anywhere in Australia (0800 764 766 in New Zealand) and is available at all times. Have this MSDS with you when you call.

Inhalation: First aid is not generally required. However individuals with pre-existing lung conditions may have increased susceptibility to dust exposure. Remove affected persons to a well ventilated area. Clear nasal and respiratory passages by encouraging patient to blow nose to ensure clear breathing passages. Rinse mouth with water. Seek immediate medical attention if irritation exists. If in doubt, contact a Poisons Information Centre or a doctor.

Skin Contact: If product gets on to skin, wash skin to remove material. No further measures should normally be required

Eye Contact: If product gets in to eyes, immediately irrigate with copious amounts of lukewarm, gently flowing water until the product is removed. No further measures should normally be required

Ingestion: Rinse mouth thoroughly with water immediately and give water or milk to drink. . Do not induce vomiting. If more than a small quantity has been swallowed, seek medical assistance. If in doubt contact a Poisons Information Centre or a doctor.

Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures

Fire and Explosion Hazards: There is no risk of an explosion from this product under normal circumstances if it is involved in a fire.

If Calcium Sulphate dihydrate is heated to the point where water is driven off, anhydrous calcium Sulphate is formed. Anhydrous calcium Sulphate is considered hazardous.

Thermal decomposition may emit oxide of Sulphur fumes. Explosion can result when mixed with diazomethane vapour or aluminium powder.

Extinguishing Media: Not Combustible. Use extinguishing media suited to burning materials.

Fire Fighting: If a significant quantity of this product is involved in a fire, call the fire brigade.

Flash point: Does not burn.

Upper Flammability Limit: Does not burn.

Lower Flammability Limit: Does not burn.

Autoignition temperature: Not applicable - does not burn.

Flammability Class: Does not burn.

Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures

Accidental release: Minor spills do not normally need any special cleanup measures. In the event of a major spill, prevent spillage from entering drains or water courses. As a minimum, wear overalls, goggles and gloves. If there is a significant chance that dusts are likely to build up in the cleanup area, we recommend that you use a respirator. Usually, no respirator is necessary when using this product. However, if you have any doubts consult the Australian Standard mentioned below (section 8).

Stop leak if safe to do so, and contain spill. Sweep up and shovel or collect recoverable product into labelled containers for recycling or salvage, and dispose of promptly. Recycle containers wherever possible after careful cleaning. After spills, wash area preventing runoff from entering drains. If a significant quantity of material enters drains, advise emergency services. This material may be suitable for approved landfill. Ensure legality of disposal by consulting regulations prior to disposal. Thoroughly launder protective clothing before storage or re-use. Advise laundry of nature of contamination when sending contaminated clothing to laundry.

Section 7 - Handling and Storage

Handling: Keep exposure to this product to a minimum, and minimise the quantities kept in work areas. Check Section 8 of this MSDS for details of personal protective measures, and make sure that those measures are followed. The measures detailed below under "Storage" should be followed during handling in order to minimise risks to persons using the product in the workplace. Also, avoid contact or contamination of product with incompatible materials listed in Section 10.

Storage: Store in a dry, cool, well-ventilated area – dampness may cause handling difficulty Make sure that the product does not come into contact with substances listed under "Materials to avoid" in Section 10.

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Breakdown of Chemical in Soil & Groundwater: Inert product in normal environmental conditions.

Products of Biodegradation:

Possibly hazardous short term degradation products are not likely. However, long term degradation products may arise.

Section 13 - Disposal Considerations

Disposal: This product is a soil conditioner and may be distributed on agricultural land. If no agricultural land is available, collect in sealed containers and dispose in accordance with EPA guidelines

Section 14 - Transport Information

ADG Code: This product is not classified as a Dangerous Good. No special transport conditions are necessary unless required by other regulations.

Section 15 - Regulatory Information

ASCC: Not classified as hazardous

SUSDP: Not listed as a poison

AICS: All of the significant ingredients in this formulation are to be found in the public AICS Database.

Section 16 - Other Information

This MSDS contains only safety-related information. For other data see product literature.

Acronyms:

ADG Code	Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail
AICS	Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances
ASCC	Australian Safety & Compensation Council
CAS number	Chemical Abstracts Service Registry Number
Hazchem Number	Emergency action code of numbers and letters that provide information to emergency services especially firefighters
IARC	International Agency for Research on Cancer
NOS	Not otherwise specified
NTP	National Toxicology Program (USA)
R-Phrase	Risk Phrase
SUSDP	Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Drugs & Poisons
UN Number	United Nations Number

THIS MSDS SUMMARISES OUR BEST KNOWLEDGE OF THE HEALTH AND SAFETY HAZARD INFORMATION OF THE PRODUCT AND HOW TO SAFELY HANDLE AND USE THE PRODUCT IN THE WORKPLACE. EACH USER MUST REVIEW THIS MSDS IN THE CONTEXT OF HOW THE PRODUCT WILL BE HANDLED AND USED IN THE WORKPLACE.

IF CLARIFICATION OR FURTHER INFORMATION IS NEEDED TO ENSURE THAT AN APPROPRIATE RISK ASSESSMENT CAN BE MADE, THE USER SHOULD CONTACT THIS COMPANY SO WE CAN ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FROM OUR SUPPLIERS. OUR RESPONSIBILITY FOR PRODUCTS SOLD IS SUBJECT TO OUR STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS, A COPY OF WHICH IS SENT TO OUR CUSTOMERS AND IS ALSO AVAILABLE ON REQUEST.

Please read all labels carefully before using product.

This MSDS is prepared in accord with the NOHSC document "National Code of Practice for the Preparation of Material Safety Data Sheets" 2nd Edition [NOHSC:2011(2003)]

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