

PRODUCT SAFETY DATA SHEET

KERNEL

1. Identification of the Preparation and the Company:

Trade Name: KERNEL

A herbicide for use in agriculture, horticulture, forestry and aquatic situations

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2. † Hazards:

May be irritating to eyes, causing pain and redness.

The (COSHH) Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations may apply to the use of this product at work.

Dangerous for the environment. Very toxic to aquatic organisms. May cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.

3. Composition:

A soluble liquid containing 480 g/l (45% w/w) glyphosate as its isopropylamine salt* with tallow alkyl amine ethoxylate (9% w/w) isopropylamine (10% w/w) and water.

* contains 640 g/l of glyphosate isopropylamine salt, equivalent to 480 g/l glyphosate acid.

Hazardous components:

Tallow alkyl amine ethoxylate

EU Classification: Harmful Xn, Irritating Xi

Risk phrases R20, R36

4. First Aid Measures:

Eyes: Irrigate with clean water for at least 15 minutes. Seek medical attention if any irritation or redness persists.

Skin: Remove contaminated clothing. Wash thoroughly with soap and water. Seek medical advice if any irritation persists.

Ingestion: If swallowed dilute by drinking water. Obtain medical advice.

Inhalation: Remove from exposure and provide maximum ventilation.

Guide to

Doctors: This product contains a glycine herbicide of low acute toxicity. Treatment should be symptomatic and supportive. There is no specific antidote. Ingestion may cause irritation of the gastro-

intestinal tract and the mouth, with nausea, vomiting and diarrhoea. Ingestion of large quantities of a similar product has been reported as resulting in hypertension and lung oedema.

5. **Fire Fighting Measures**

Kernel will burn. If involved in a fire, fumes and vapours will be harmful and may include oxides of carbon, nitrogen and phosphorus. Fire fighters should wear full protective clothing and breathing apparatus.

Use dry chemical, foam, water spray, sand or earth. Prevent entry of the product or contaminated water into watercourses ditches or drains by bunding the area with sand or earth if possible. Inform the water authorities if contamination of water is threatened or occurs.

6. **Accidental Release (Spillage)**

Wear suitable protective clothing (see Section 8). Remove contaminated clothing immediately. Do not eat drink or smoke. Keep bystanders away. Provide maximum ventilation. Absorb the spill onto absorbent clay or sand, sweep up and transfer to a container for later removal to a safe place for disposal. Thoroughly scrub the area with an industrial detergent when all the spillage has been removed. Spills which soak into the ground should be dug up, placed in containers and removed to a safe place for disposal. Prevent the spillage or washing water from entering watercourses sewers or drains. Inform the proper authorities if gross contamination of waterways, sewers or drains is threatened or occurs.

7. **Storage and Handling**

Keep in original container, tightly closed

Keep cool and dry in a suitable agricultural chemical store under lock and key
Keep away from food, drink and animal feedingstuffs and out of reach of children.

Do not store, mix or apply this product or dilute solutions of it in galvanised or unlined steel containers or sprayer tanks. Use only stainless steel, aluminium, fibreglass, plastic (HDPE or PET) or plastic-lined containers.

8. **Personal Protection**

Wear coveralls, suitable protective rubber gloves and face-shield to BS2092 when handling the concentrated product or contaminated surfaces. Avoid breathing the spray mist when using.

Decontaminate all personal protective equipment after use.

Occupational Exposure Limits: None applicable

9. **Physical and Chemical Properties**

Appearance: a clear viscous amber to light brown liquid

Odour: faint, chemical

Solubility: Completely soluble in water

Specific gravity: 1.196 at 20°C

Viscosity: 79.3 cS at 25°C

Vapour pressure: 1.75 x 10⁽⁻⁷⁾ mm Hg at 25°C

Partition coefficient: P=4.5 x 10⁽⁻⁴⁾

PH: 4.5 (1% solution in water)
Flashpoint: >120°C (Pensky-Martin CC)
Boiling point: 113°C

10. Stability and Reactivity

Stability: Very stable. Stores for at least 2 years in original containers in normal agricultural chemical storage conditions.

Reactivity: Avoid strong alkalis. **Avoid galvanised or unlined steel. The product will react with these materials to produce hydrogen and highly combustible gas mixtures may form which could flash or explode causing severe injury.**

11. Toxicological Information

Acute Toxicity:

This product is of low acute toxicity:

Acute oral LD50: >5,000 mg/kg.bw (rat)

Acute dermal LD50: >2,000 mg/kg.bw (rat)

Inhalation LC50: > 4.86 mg/litre

Irritancy: Moderately irritating to eyes but non-irritating to skin. Not a sensitiser

Carcinogenicity: EPA category E (Non-carcinogenic)

Chronic toxicity: Not mutagenic or teratogenic

12. Environmental Protection

Toxicity to:

fish: 96-hour LC50 = 18.6 mg/l (Rainbow trout)
= 11.9 mg/l (Bluegill sunfish)

Aquatic invertebrates: 48 hour EC50 (Daphnia spp) = 21.6 mg/l

Aquatic algae: 72 hour EC50 (Scenedesmus spp) = 100 mg/l
(Selenastrum spp) = 2 mg/ml

Birds: LD50 (Bobwhite quail) = >2000mg/kg.bw

Bees: Oral LD50 = >100 ug/bee

This product is a herbicide and therefore toxic to all green plants. It is harmful to fish, aquatic invertebrates and aquatic plants.

Soil mobility: Strongly binds to clay particles. Not mobile.

Bio-degradation: Slow to bio-degrade in the environment and in waste water plants. Microbial activity is the main degradation mechanism but aerobic and anaerobic degradation also occur.

Bio-accumulation: Unlikely to bio-accumulate

13. Disposal of Unwanted Product and Used Containers

Consult the local authorities before disposing of unwanted chemical.

Triple-rinse used containers and dispose of as permitted by local authorities.

Do not re-use containers for any purpose.

14. **Transport Information**

Road Transport:	Environmentally hazardous liquid
UN Number:	3082
Proper Shipping Name:	Environmentally Hazardous Substance, Liquid, N.O.S (contains glyphosate)
UN Class:	9
CPL Packing Group:	III
IMDG Class:	Not classified
ICAO/IATA Class:	Not classified

15. † **Regulatory Information**

Hazard Symbol:	Dangerous for the Environment N
Risk Phrases:	
R50/53	Very toxic to aquatic organisms; may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment
Safety Phrases:	
S60	This material and its container must be disposed of as hazardous waste
S61	Avoid release into the environment. Refer to special instructions / safety data sheets

16. **Other Information**

The above information is intended to give health and safety guidance on the storage and transport of the substance or product to which it relates. It is not intended to apply to the use of the product, for which purpose the product label and any appropriate technical usage literature available should be consulted and any relevant licences, consents or approvals complied with. The requirements or recommendations of any relevant site or working procedure, system or policy in force or arising from any risk assessment involving the substance or product should take precedence over any of the guidance contained in this safety data sheet where there is a difference in the information given.

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