

SAFETY DATA SHEET

1. CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product Name: MAXI-ROOT
Other identifier: MAXI-ROOT
Recommended use: Fertilizer
Restrictions on use: Agriculture
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Spill Response and Transport Incidents

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Oil and chemical pollution control 083 253 6618

2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

South Africa - GHS classification and labelling of chemicals and the Regulations for Hazardous Chemical Agents - 2021.

Hazard class	Hazard category	H-statement
Health		
Reproductive Toxicity	Category 1B	H360

The most important adverse effects:

Physiochemical effects: None known.

Human health effects:

May damage fertility or the unborn child.

Pictograms:



Signal word: DANGER.

Hazard statements:

H360: May damage fertility or the unborn child.

Precautionary statements:

P101 If medical advice is needed, have product container or label at hand.

P102 Keep out of reach of children.

P103 Read carefully and follow all instructions.

P203 Obtain, read, and follow all safety instructions before use.

P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection/hearing protection.

P318 IF exposed or concerned, get medical advice.

P405 Store locked up.

P501: Empty all pesticides from the container by placing it upside down over the spray tank and holding it there for at least 30 seconds. Puncture the rinsed container to render it useless and send to a recycler.

Special labelling of certain mixtures:

None known.

Other hazards:

None known.

Toxicity:

Classification according to GHS: Not classified.

3. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Ingredients with Hazard Concerns (GHS): According to UN GHS criteria

Hazardous Component	CAS Number	Conc. (m/v) %	GHS Classification
Boric Acid	10043-35-3	>10%	Reproductive toxicity 1B (H360)

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

General Advice: The symptoms resulting from direct exposure to the product could appear a while after exposure. If there is persistent discomfort, seek medical attention. Provide this SDS to medical personnel for treatment. Immediately remove contaminated clothing and remove the affected person from the contamination area. Keep the person warm, calm and covered up. First Aid personnel should pay attention to their own safety.

Eye contact: Flush eyes with water as a precaution.

Skin contact: Remove all contaminated clothing and shoes. Wash contaminated clothing before re-use. Rinse the skin immediately with plenty of water.

Inhalation: Remove the affected victim from exposure to an area with fresh air as a precaution. If not breathing, administer artificial respiration with the aid of a pocket mask equipped with a one-way valve or other proper respiratory medical device. Obtain immediate medical attention.

Ingestion: If exposed or concerned, get medical advice.

Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed:

Symptoms of exposure to the product include: None.

Notes to physician: None.

Specific treatments: Treat symptomatically and supportively.

5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Suitable (and unsuitable) extinguishing media:

Use carbon dioxide, dry chemical, alcohol resistant foam, or water spray. Do not use water jets.

Specific hazards arising from the chemical including thermal decomposition products:

Fires involving the product may produce irritating or poisonous vapours, mists, or other products of combustion. Closed containers may explode from vapour expansion in high heat.

Special protective equipment and precautions for fire-fighters:

Firefighters must wear emergency equipment including positive pressure self-contained breathing apparatus with a full-face mask. Remove unaffected containers from fire area if possible.

Additional provisions: Act in accordance with the site's Internal Emergency Plan and the Workplace Specific Procedures for actions to be taken after an accident or other emergencies.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions, protective equipment, and emergency procedures:

Ventilate the area of the spill or leak, especially when in confined areas. Do not touch or walk through spilled material as slippery when spilt. Contain spills if it can be done without risk and clean-up immediately.

Wear appropriate protective clothing recommended in Section 8 of the SDS.

Environmental Precautions:

Prevent spillage or further leakage if safe to do so.

Do not allow the spilt product to enter water courses and drains and avoid contact with soil. Do not allow the spilt product to spread to other areas - keep the spilt material contained and isolated. Report spills and releases as required to appropriate authorities if the spilt product has caused environmental pollution (sewers, water ways, soil or air).

Methods for cleaning up:

For small spills, soak up with damp earth or sand, or other non-Combustible absorbent material. Place into a labelled waste container subsequent reclamation or disposal. Keep the wash water out of drains, sewers and waterways.

For large spills, contain the spillage with absorbent material (non-combustible for flammable products). Sweep up with absorbent material, contain and collect spilt product in suitable containers for proper disposal. Keep the wash water out of drains, sewers and waterways.

Reference to other sections:

See Section 1 for emergency contact information.

See Section 8 for information on appropriate personal protective equipment.

See Section 13 for additional waste treatment information.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE REQUIREMENTS

Precautions for safe handling

Always provide good ventilation in the work area. Prevent contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Do not breathe in dust. Wear protective clothing and equipment during handling as described in Section 8 of the SDS.

Do not eat or drink during use. Wash the hands and face thoroughly with soap after handling. Keep containers closed when not in use. Do not permit smoking in use or storage areas. Locate emergency showers and eye-rinsing facility near the work/handling area. Maintain good normal industrial hygiene and housekeeping practices in areas where the product is used/handled.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Always store locked up and keep containers tightly closed when not in use. Store in a cool, dry and well-ventilated place, out of direct sunlight. Check storage containers regularly for leaks and protect containers from physical damage. Store in the original container, avoid cross contamination with other agricultural products. Keep out of reach of children, uninformed persons, and animals. Do not contaminate water, food, or feed by storage or disposal.

It is recommended to have appropriate spill control kits equipped with absorbent material in close proximity to storage areas (see Section 6).

Specific end use(s)

Use as directed. Use original container.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROL / PERSONAL PROTECTION

National Occupational Exposure Limits – Restricted limits for hazardous chemical agents.

Component	Type	Control Parameter	Update	Reference
Not Applicable	OEL-eight hour TWA	N/A	2021	South African RELs*
	OEL-STEL/C	N/A	2021	South African RELs*

Appropriate engineering controls: Good general ventilation should be sufficient to control worker exposure to airborne contaminants.

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT:

Respiratory protection: Respiratory protection selection must be based on known or anticipated exposure levels, the hazards of the product and the safe working limits of the selected respirator. Use a properly fitted and well-maintained particulate filter respirator, complying with an approved standard. Respirator selection and use should be based on contaminant type, form and concentration. For emergency conditions, use an approved positive-pressure self-contained breathing apparatus.

Skin and Hand Protection: Select skin and hand protection based on the task being performed and the risks involved with the task. The gloves should be replaced immediately in case of damage or signs of wear. The personal protective clothing must be properly fitted and well maintained.

Eye/Face Protection: Select safety eye/face protection based on the task being performed and the risks involved with the task. Wear tightly fitted and well-maintained safety eyewear compliant with an approved standard.

Hygiene Measures: Wash the hands and/or face before breaks, eating, smoking, or using the lavatory and at the end of the shift/working period. Eye wash fountains and safety showers should be available and easily accessible. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance/physical state: Suspension Concentrate.

Odour: Slight Marine Odour.

Colour: Green.

Boiling Point: Not applicable.

Vapour Pressure (mm Hg): Not applicable.

Evaporation Rate: Not applicable

Relative Vapour Density: 1.12-1.15

Solubility in water: Soluble in water.

Decomposition temperature: Not applicable.

Melting point/freezing point: Not available.

pH: 3.7-4.3

Density/relative density(g/cm³): 1.12-1.15

Flammability: Not flammable.

Flash Point: Not applicable.

Flammable limits-LEL: Not applicable

Auto-ignition temperature: Not applicable.

Viscosity: Not applicable.

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity: The product is stable under normal ambient conditions.

Chemical Stability: Stable under normal ambient conditions of use, storage and transport.

Possibility of Hazardous Reactions: None known under conditions of normal use.

Conditions to Avoid: Avoid extreme temperatures (>50°C). Keep away from heat and ignition sources.

Incompatible Materials: Incompatible with: Avoid strong oxidizing agents and acids.

Hazardous Decomposition Products: Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous decomposition products should not be produced.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

ACUTE TOXICITY: Calculated.

Acute Oral Toxicity: Not classified.

Acute Dermal Toxicity: Not classified.

Acute Inhalation Toxicity: Not classified.

Skin Corrosion/Irritation/: Not classified.

Eye Damage/Irritation: Not classified.

Skin Sensitization: Not classified.

Respiratory Sensitization: Not classified.

Germ cell mutagenicity: Not classified.

Carcinogenicity: Not classified.

Reproductive toxicity: May damage fertility or the unborn child.

Specific target organ toxicity – single exposure: Not classified.

Specific target organ toxicity – repeated exposure: Not classified.

Aspiration hazard: Not classified.

Symptoms related to the physical, chemical, and toxicological characteristics.

No information available.

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

ECOTOXICITY DATA: Not classified

ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS:

Plants: No information available.

Persistence and degradability: No information available.

Bio-accumulative Potential: No information available.

Mobility in soil: No information available.

Other adverse effects: None known.

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste handling and disposal: Dispose product related waste in accordance with all local regulations and prevent the contamination of water, food, or feed by storage or disposal of the waste. The product container/bags may be taken to a registered waste disposal site or incineration plant.

General container handling: Empty all pesticides from the container by placing it upside down over the spray tank and holding it there for at least 30 seconds. Puncture the

rinsed container to render it useless and send to a recycler.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

	Land Transport (ADR/RID)	Inland Waterways (AND/ADNR)	Sea Transport (IMDG)	Air Transport (ICAO-TI/ IATA-DGR)
UN Number	Not regulated	Not regulated	Not regulated	Not regulated
UN Proper Shipping Name	-	-	-	-
Transport Hazard Class	-	-	-	-
Transport Hazard Class Pictogram	-	-	-	-
Packing Group	-	-	-	-
Environmental Hazard	-	-	-	-

·Not a classified as dangerous goods

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation for the mixture.

South Africa

Regulations for Hazardous Chemical Agents – 2021 – SA Occupational Health and Safety Act. - Handling, labelling and Safety Data Sheets for hazardous and GHS classified substances and mixtures. Occupational Exposure Limits. Hazardous Substances Act, 1973 (Act No.15 of 1973) - Requirements on the prohibition and control of the importation, manufacture, sale, use, operation, application, modification, disposal or dumping of hazardous substances. Occupational Health and Safety Act No. 85 of 1993.- Occupational Health and Safety Standards for employers and users working with and around hazardous chemical substances. National Road Traffic Act, 1996 (ACT NO. 93 of 1996). - The identification and classification of dangerous goods for transport by road and rail modes.

Botswana

Pesticides and Toxic Substances Regulations. 1994 (2006) - Control and management of pesticides and other toxic substances. Environmental and Pollution Control Act. 1990 - Hazardous waste disposal, hazardous substances, pesticides, and effluent wastewater/discharge.

Namibia

Labour Act 11 of 2007 - Hazardous substances classification, labelling, Chemical Safety Data Sheets and Occupational Exposure Limits. Notification of the use of carcinogens and other controlled substances. Regulations relating to the Health and Safety of Employees at Work Government Notice 156 of 1997. Labour Act 11 of 2007 schedule, item 2(2). - Occupational Health and Safety Standards for employers and users

working with and around hazardous chemical substances.

16. OTHER INFORMATION

Packaging: Packed in 0.1, 0.2, 0.25, 0.5, 1, 5, 10, 25, 200, 210, 100 litre plastic containers and labelled according to South African regulations and guidelines.

Relevant classification and H-Statements:

Reproductive Toxicity- Category 1B
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Key to Abbreviations

AND European Provisions concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by inland Waterways

ADR The European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road

ATE Acute Toxicity Estimate

COD Chemical Oxygen Demand

GHS Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals

IATA International Air Transport Association

ICAO International Civil Aviation Organisation

IMDG International Maritime Dangerous Goods

Log_{Pow} Logarithm of the octanol/water partition coefficient

LD₅₀ Lethal Dose 50

LC₅₀ Lethal Concentration 50

RID The Regulations concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail

SDS Safety Data Sheet

UN United Nations

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