

### 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE / PREPARATION AND THE COMPANY:

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CHEMICAL FAMILY: Benzamide USE: Herbicide

### 2. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS:

COMMON NAME:	CAS NUMBER:	CONCENTRATION %:	HAZARD CLASSIFICATIONS:
Inerts		Balance	
Propyzamide	23950-58-5	44 %	Class 6, 9.
Sufactants		<20 %	

### 3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION:

Harmful - may cause eye irritation. Avoid contact with eyes.  
Harmful - may cause skin sensitisation from prolonged skin contact. Avoid skin contact.  
Harmful - suspected of causing cancer  
Harmful - may cause organ damage from repeated oral exposure at high doses.  
Very toxic to fish/aquatic organisms with long-lasting effects. Avoid contamination of any water supply with product or empty container.  
Very Toxic to the soil environment.  
Refer to Section 15 for ERMA Requirements.

### 4. FIRST - AID MEASURES:

EYE CONTACT: Immediately flush with flowing water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention if irritation persists.  
SKIN CONTACT: Remove contaminated clothing immediately. Flush with flowing water and wash with soap and water immediately. Wash clothing before reuse.  
INHALATION: If inhaled, move the victim to fresh air immediately. Begin artificial respiration if breathing has stopped. Use mouth to nose rather than mouth to mouth. Obtain medical attention.  
INGESTION: If swallowed, dilute by drinking several glasses of water or milk. Do not induce vomiting unless patient has received high doses. Seek medical advice.  
NOTES TO DOCTOR: No specific antidote.

### 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES:

FLASHPOINT: Non-flammable.  
FLAMMABLE LIMITS: None.  
EXTINGUISHING MEDIA: Foam, Carbon dioxide, Dry chemical or Water spray (fog). Prevent run-off from entering into any water supply.  
THERMAL DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS: Include oxides of carbon, and nitrogen  
SPECIAL FIRE FIGHTING METHODS: Addition of water may cause excessive foaming. Vapours may be toxic. Self contained breathing apparatus required. Do not allow contaminated runoff to enter drains.  
UNUSUAL FIRE OR EXPLOSION HAZARDS: None.

### 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES:

Use appropriate protective equipment. Clear area of unnecessary personnel. Spills may be slippery and should be cleaned up immediately.  
Large spill: Dike and pump as much as possible to a salvage container. Absorb the remaining liquid and any small spills with clay granules, sand or other absorbent material and sweep to a waste container. Cover the spill area with water and absorb. Minimise runoff into waterways or drains.  
Warning this substance is very toxic to aquatic organisms. Avoid contamination of any water supply with this substance or empty container.

### 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE:

Store in original container, tightly closed away from foodstuffs. Wash protective clothing daily after work.  
Keep out of reach of children.

### 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION:

EXPOSURE LIMITS: Not established.  
EYE PROTECTION: Chemical goggles or face shield when handling the concentrate.  
RESPIRATORY PROTECTION: Self contained breathing apparatus when exposed to vapours from heated material.  
PROTECTIVE CLOTHING: If skin contact or contamination of clothing is likely, protective clothing such as overalls should be worn.  
VENTILATION: General (mechanical) room ventilation is considered satisfactory.  
HYGIENE PRECAUTIONS: Do not eat drink or smoke while working with this product. Remove clothing that becomes soaked or contaminated and wash before reuse. Wash hands before breaks and after work. The use of a skin barrier cream is useful to give additional skin protection. Keep out of the reach of children.

## **9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES:**

APPEARANCE / STATE / ODOUR: White to cream liquid.

BOILING POINT:	100°C	pH:	Not Applicable
DENSITY:	1.1	SETTING POINT:	<0°C
DECOMPOSITION TEMP:	Decomposes above 156°C	AUTOIGNITION TEMP:	Not Available
FLASHPOINT:	Not Applicable.	VAPOUR DENSITY:	Heavier than air
EXPLOSION PROPERTIES:	Not Available	VAPOUR PRESSURE:	0.058 mPa @ 25°C
SOLUBILITY:	15 mg/L (25°C) water		
OTHER DATA:			
OCTANOL / WATER PARTITION COEFFICIENT:	Log Pow 3.1 - 3.2		

## **10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY:**

CONDITIONS TO AVOID: Stable under normal storage conditions. In the case of fire temperatures decomposition may occur at temperatures above 156°C

MATERIALS TO AVOID: None.

HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS: Thermal decomposition may release ammonia, carbon monoxide under incomplete combustion conditions. Under more complete combustion conditions - carbon dioxide oxides of nitrogen as well as vapours of hydrochloric acid..

## **11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION:**

ACUTE ORAL: Propazamide: LD50 (4h) for rats 5620 mg/kg female.

ACUTE DERMAL: LD50 for rats >2000 mg/kg.

ACUTE INHALATION: Acute LC50 (4hr) rats >5 gm/L air

OTHER TOXICITY INFORMATION: 6.4A; Harmful - may cause eye irritation. Avoid contact with eyes.  
6.5B; Harmful - may cause skin sensitisation from prolonged skin contact. Avoid skin contact.  
6.7B; Harmful - suspected of causing cancer.  
6.9B; Harmful - may cause organ damage from repeated oral exposure at high doses.

## **12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION:**

Aquatic Toxicity: Very toxic to fish. LC 50 (96 hr) for Rainbow trout: 72 mg/L.

Soil Toxicity: Very toxic to the soil environment.

Terrestrial Vertebrates - Birds: Not toxic to birds.

Terrestrial Invertebrates - Bees: Not toxic to bees.

9.1A; Very Toxic to fish/aquatic organisms with long lasting effects. Avoid contamination of any water supply with this product or empty container.

9.2A; Very toxic to the soil environment. Selective herbicide - very toxic to some plant species (certain plants may be killed or damaged from root uptake of this product).

## **13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS:**

Triple rinse container and add rinsate to spray tank. Dispose of container at an approved landfill or Agrecovery Depot. Avoid contamination of any water supply or stream with this product or empty container.

## **14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION:**

Proper Shipping Name:	ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE LIQUID N.O.S	UN Hazard Class:	9.
UN Number:	3082	Packing Group:	III
Hazchem Code:	2X		
Additional Information:	Contains Propyzamide.		

## **15. REGULATORY INFORMATION:**

Approved Handler

An approved handler is required when the substance is applied: a) In a widely dispersive manner. b) By a commercial contractor. c) Directly onto or into the water.

The approved handler must have the product under personal control at all times or it must be locked up. However if an approved handler is present at the facility where the substance is being handled, or the approved handler has provided guidance to the person in respect to the handling of the product and is present at all times a non approved handler may handle the product. The approved handler can be in contact by the use of a cellphone.

Record Keeping.

Record keeping is required if more than 3 Kg is used within 24 hours in a place where: The substance is likely to enter air or water and leave the place. The information must be kept for a minimum of three years.

This product DOES NOT have Tracking Requirements.

See the ERMA Website for more details: [www.ermanz.govt.nz](http://www.ermanz.govt.nz)

ERMA Approval Code: HSR000561.

ACVM Pesticide Number: P005996.

## **16. OTHER INFORMATION:**

The data given here is based on current knowledge and experience. The purpose of this safety data sheet is to describe the products in terms of their safety requirements. The data does not signify any warranty with regard to the products' properties.