ZENECA Agrochemicals

'REGLONE'

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1. IDENTIFICATION OF SUBSTANCE/PREPARATION AND OF THE COMPANY/UNDERTAKING

Product name : 'REGLONE'

Company : ZENECA Agrochemicals

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HARMFUL

2. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Product Description

A bipyridyl contact herbicide.

An aqueous solution containing corrosion inhibitors.

EEC-No. : 201-579-4 Diquat dibromide

Hazardous CAS-No. Hazard Risk Phrases Concentration

ingredients symbols

Diquat dibromide

(Classification according to Directive 67/548/EEC)

85-00-7 T+,N R22-R26-R36/37/38 374 q/1

-R43-R48/25-R50/5

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EQUIVALENT TO: 200g/l DIQUAT ION.

3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Harmful if swallowed. Harmful to livestock.

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

For further advice on treatment, contact ZENECA Agrochemicals 24 hour emergency number:-

Maidstone (01622) 814777

Or the nearest Poisons Information Centre.

Eye contact : Immediately irrigate with eyewash solution or clean water,

holding the eyelids apart, for at least 15 minutes. Obtain

immediate medical attention.

Skin contact : Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Wash skin immediately with water followed by seap and water Sugh

immediately with water, followed by soap and water. Such action is essential to minimise contact with skin. Obtain immediate medical attention. Contaminated clothing should

be laundered before re-issue.

Inhalation : Remove patient from exposure, keep warm and at rest. Obtain

immediate medical attention.

Ingestion : SPEED IS ESSENTIAL.

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OBTAIN IMMEDIATE MEDICAL ATTENTION. Do not induce vomiting.

Medical advice

Give up to 1 litre of 15% aqueous suspension of Fuller's Earth orally or via gastric tube, together with a suitable purgative (200 ml of a 20% aqueous solution of mannitol). If ingested, wash out the stomach and test urine for the presence of diquat. If there is severe mouth ulceration give nothing by mouth until patient's condition has improved. Give intravenous fluids only.

Eye contact: - Severe damage may be caused by apparently trivial contact and healing may be delayed. Medical supervision should continue until complete healing has occurred.

5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Keep fire exposed containers cool by spraying with water.

Extinguishing media : For small fires, use foam, carbon dioxide or dry powder

extinguishant. For large fires, use foam or water-fog; avoid use of water jet. Contain run-off water with, for

example, temporary earth barriers.

Protective Equipment : A self contained breathing apparatus and suitable

protective clothing should be worn in fire conditions.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal

precautions : Rapid decontamination of diquat spillages is essential:-

crystalline material from dried concentrate may become suspended in air causing irritation and nosebleeds. Ensure suitable personal protection during removal of spillages. This means wearing eye protection, chemically

resistant gloves, boots and coveralls.

Clean up

methods : Adsorb spillages onto sand, earth or any suitable adsorbent

material. Transfer to a container for disposal. Wash the spillage area with water. Washings must be prevented from

entering surface water drains.

Spillages or uncontrolled discharges into water courses must be alerted to the appropriate regulatory body.

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7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

HANDLING

Read the label before use.

Safe handling

advice : Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Do not breathe spray.

When using do not eat, drink or smoke. Wash face and hands

before eating, drinking or smoking.

STORAGE

Safe storage advice : Keep in original containers, tightly closed, out of reach

of children. Keep away from food, drink and animal feeding

stuffs. Protect from frost.

Storage Life Physically and chemically stable for at least 2 years when

stored in the original unopened sales container at ambient

temperatures.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Personal protection

When using this product refer to the label for details.

Occupational exposure limits

Hazardous ingredient : Diquat dibromide OES/HSE

8 hr TWA 0.5 mg/m³ 15 min STEL 1 mg/m³

Not applicable to field use.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Form : liquid

Colour : dark red-brown
Odour : odourless
Boiling point : approx 100 °C
Melting point : Not available.
Flash point : does not flash
Autoignition : Not available.

temperature

Explosive properties : Non-oxidising Vapour pressure : Not available. Density : 1.2 g/ml

at 20 °C

Solubility : soluble in/with water

pH-value (quant.) : 4 .. 5.5 Partition coeff. : Not available.

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Oxidizing properties : Non-oxidising

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Hazardous reactions

(materials to avoid) : The concentrated material is corrosive to most metals

including zinc, aluminium and mild steel. This product contains corrosion inhibitors that protect application

equipment at field rates.

Hazardous decomposition

products : Combustion or thermal decomposition will evolve toxic and

irritant vapours.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

ACUTE TOXICITY (LETHAL DOSES)

This health hazard assessment is based on information available on similar formulations.

LD50 Oral male rats

: 1389 mg formulation/kg

LD50 Dermal rat

: > 2000 mg/kg

Inhalation

Unlikely to cause harmful effects when handled and used as directed on the label. Nose bleeding and soreness of the throat may result from spray mist or dust trapped on the nasal mucosa. If this occurs review spraying and handling technique.

ACUTE TOXICITY (IRRITATION, SENSITISATION ETC.)

Eye Irritation

: Mild irritant to rabbit eyes.

Skin Irritation

: Slight irritant to rabbit skin.

Skin Sensitisation - Buehler

: It is not a skin sensitiser in animal tests.

CHRONIC TOXICOLOGICAL EFFECTS / LONG TERM EXPOSURE

Long Term Exposure

: Ocular effects (cataracts) have been reported following long term oral exposure of laboratory animals (rat and dog). This is not considered to be a risk to man when handled and used as directed on the label.

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12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

ENVIRONMENTAL FATE AND DISTRIBUTION

Diquat is rapidly adsorbed and de-activated by soil.

ECOTOXICITY

Unlikely to be hazardous to aquatic life. Harmful to livestock.

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Do not contaminate ponds, waterways or ditches with chemical or used containers. Surplus material must be disposed of as detailed in the 'Guidelines for the avoidance, limitation and disposal of pesticide waste on the farm' GCPF, 1987. Empty containers should be washed and discarded. Empty containers should not be used for other purposes.

Disposal should be in accordance with local, state or national legislation.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

Road transport ADR/RID

UN No. : UN1760 Class-primary : 8 Corrosive Number/letter: : 66 / (c)

Proper shipping name : 1760 CORROSIVE LIQUID, N.O.S., DIQUAT MIXTURE

Maritime transport IMDG

: UN1760 UN No. : 8 Corrosive Class-primary

UN Pack. Group : III

Proper shipping name : CORROSIVE LIQUID, N.O.S., (contains diquat

as dibromide salt 37% w/v)

: No Marine pollutant

Air transport ICAO/IATA

UN/ID No.: : UN1760

: 8 Corrosive Class-primary

UN Pack. Group : III

Proper shipping name : CORROSIVE LIQUID, N.O.S., (contains diquat

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15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Classification : HARMFUL

Hazard symbols : Xn

Risk Phrases : (R22) Harmful if swallowed.

Safety Phrases

: (S2) Keep out of the reach of children. (S13) Keep away from food, drink and animal feeding

stuffs.

(S20/21) When using, do not eat, drink or smoke. (S36/37) Wear suitable protective clothing and gloves. (S46) If swallowed, seek medical advice immediately and

show this container or label.

Special label : (SO53) Do not re-use container, keep tightly closed in a

safe place.

16. OTHER INFORMATION

Use: : An agricultural/horticultural/aquatic herbicide and desiccant.

' is the property of an AstraZeneca Group company. Read the label before you buy: use pesticides safely.

This data sheet was prepared in accordance with Directive 91/155/EEC (93/112/EC).

The information on this sheet is not a specification, it does not guarantee specific properties. The information is intended to provide general guidance as to health and safety based upon our knowledge of the handling, storage and use of the product. It is not applicable to unusual or non-standard uses of the product nor where instructions or recommendations are not followed.

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