

Classified as hazardous in accordance with the criteria of EPA New Zealand

Section 1 - Identification

Product Identifier

Product Name

Buffer solution pH 7 Phosphate buffer

Recommended Use

Laboratory chemicals.

Uses advised against

No Information available

Product Code

AJA2491, BSPA18, BSPA98, ROA0114, FSH15676814, FSHLC124, HAC12222

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Section 2 - Hazard(s) Identification

Classification under Work Safe New Zealand

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GHS Classification

Physical hazards

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Health hazards

Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation

Category 2

Environmental hazards

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Label Elements

None required



Signal Word

Warning

Hazard Statements

H319 - Causes serious eye irritation

Precautionary Statements

Storage

P403 - Store in a well-ventilated place

Disposal

P501 - Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant

Other hazards which do not result in classification

This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors

Section 3 - Composition and Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS No	Weight %
Water	7732-18-5	60-100
Dihydrogen potassium phosphate	7778-77-0	<10
Sodium phosphate dibasic	7558-79-4	0.426
Sodium chloride	7647-14-5	0.117
Mercuric chloride	7487-94-7	0.001

Section 4 - First Aid Measures

Description of first aid measures

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Inhalation

Remove to fresh air. Get medical attention immediately if symptoms occur.

Eye Contact

Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.

Skin Contact

Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention immediately if symptoms occur.

Ingestion

Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.

Self-Protection of the First Aider

No special precautions required.

First Aid Facilities

Eyewash, safety shower and washroom.

Most important symptoms and effects

None reasonably foreseeable.

Notes to Physician

Treat symptomatically.

Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media

Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.

Extinguishing media which must not be used for safety reasons

No information available.

Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

Hazardous Combustion Products

None under normal use conditions.

Special protective equipment and precautions for fire fighters

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear.

Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures

Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment and Emergency Procedures

Emergency procedures

Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protective equipment as required. Avoid dust formation.

Environmental Precautions

Should not be released into the environment. See Section 12 for additional Ecological Information.

Methods for Containment and Clean Up

Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Avoid dust formation.

Precautions to prevent secondary hazards

Clean contaminated objects and areas thoroughly observing environmental regulations

Reference to Other Sections

Refer to protective measures listed in Sections 8 and 13.

Section 7 - Handling and Storage

Precautions for Safe Handling

Advice on safe handling

Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Avoid ingestion and inhalation. Avoid dust formation.

Hygiene Measures

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Keep away from food, drink and animal feeding stuffs. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Remove and wash contaminated clothing and gloves, including the inside, before re-use. Wash hands before breaks and after work.

Conditions for Safe Storage, Including any Incompatibilities

Storage Conditions

Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.

Incompatible Materials

None known.

AS/NZS 2243.10:2004, Safety in laboratories - Storage of chemicals

Section 8 - Exposure Controls and Personal Protection

Control parameters

Exposure limits

NZ - Workplace Exposure Standards and Biological Exposure Indices (6th edition). New Zealand Department of Labor

UK - EH40/2005 Work Exposure Limits, Fourth edition. Published 2020.

AUS - Exposure Standards for Atmospheric Contaminants in the Occupational Environment - Guidance Note on the Interpretation of Exposure Standards for Atmospheric Contaminants in the Occupational Environment [NOHSC:3008(1995)]

Adopted National Exposure Standards for Atmospheric Contaminants in the Occupational Environment [NOHSC:1003(1995)] updated in August, 2005. Safe Work Australia

ACGIH - Threshold Limit Values - Ceiling (TLV-C) guidelines by the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH) for controlling worker exposure to airborne chemical concentrations in the workplace.

Component	New Zealand WEL	Australia	ACGIH TLV	The United Kingdom
Mercuric chloride		TWA: 0.003 ppm TWA: 0.025 mg/m ³	TWA: 0.025 mg/m ³ Skin	TWA: 0.02 mg/m ³ 8 hr

Biological limit values

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH) TLVs® and BEIs®- Threshold Limit Values for Chemical Substances and Physical Agents & Biological Exposure Indices. 2022 Edition

Component	New Zealand	Australia	ACGIH - Biological Exposure Indices	United Kingdom
Mercuric chloride			20 µg/g creatinine Medium: urine Time: prior to shift Determinant: Mercury	

Appropriate engineering controls

Engineering Measures

None under normal use conditions.

Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

Eye Protection Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles) (Australian/New Zealand Standard AS/NZS 1337 - Eye protectors for Industrial applications)

Hand Protection Protective gloves

Glove material	Breakthrough time	Glove thickness	AUS/NZ Standard	Glove comments
Natural rubber, Nitrile rubber, Neoprene, PVC.	See manufacturers recommendations	-	AS/NZS 2161	(minimum requirement)

Inspect gloves before use.

Please observe the instructions regarding permeability and breakthrough time which are provided by the supplier of the gloves. (Refer to manufacturer/supplier for information)

Ensure gloves are suitable for the task: Chemical compatibility, Dexterity, Operational conditions, User susceptibility, e.g. sensitisation effects, also take into consideration the specific local conditions under which the product is used, such as the danger of cuts, abrasion.

Remove gloves with care avoiding skin contamination.

Skin and body protection Long sleeved clothing

Respiratory Protection Use an AS/NZS 1716 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced. To protect the wearer, respiratory protective equipment must be the correct fit and be used and maintained in line with AS/NZS 1715 on the use and maintenance of respiratory protective devices

Recommended Filter type: Particle filter (or AUS/NZ equivalent)

Hygiene Measures Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

Environmental exposure controls No information available.

Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties

Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Physical State	Solution	
Appearance	Green	
Odor	No information available	
Odor Threshold	No data available	
pH	7	
Melting Point/Range	No data available	
Softening Point	No data available	
Boiling Point/Range	Not applicable	
Flammability (liquid)	No data available	
Flammability (solid,gas)	No information available	
Explosion Limits	No data available	
Flash Point	Not applicable	Method - No information available
Autoignition Temperature	No data available	
Decomposition Temperature	No data available	
Viscosity	No data available	
Water Solubility	Soluble in water	
Solubility in other solvents	No information available	
Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)		
Vapor Pressure	No data available	
Density / Specific Gravity	No data available	
Bulk Density	No data available	
Vapor Density	No data available	(Air = 1.0)
Particle characteristics	No data available	

Other information

Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

Reactivity	None known, based on information available
Stability	Stable under normal conditions.
Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact	No information available
Sensitivity to Static Discharge	No information available
Hazardous Polymerization	No information available.
Hazardous Reactions	None under normal processing.
Conditions to Avoid	Heat, flames and sparks.
Incompatible Materials	None known.

Hazardous Decomposition Products None under normal use conditions.

Section 11 - Toxicological Information

Acute Effects

Information on likely routes of exposure

Product Information

Inhalation	Not an expected route of exposure.
Eyes	Not an expected route of exposure.
Skin	No known effect based on information supplied.
Ingestion	Not an expected route of exposure.

Numerical measures of toxicity

(a) acute toxicity;	
Oral	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met
Dermal	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met
Inhalation	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Toxicology data for the components

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Water	-	-	-
Dihydrogen potassium phosphate	LD50 = 3200 mg/kg (Rat)	LD50 > 4640 mg/kg (Rabbit)	LC50 > 0.83 mg/L (Rat) 4 h
Sodium phosphate dibasic	LD50 = 17 g/kg (Rat)		
Sodium chloride	LD50 = 3550 mg/kg (Rat)	LD50 > 10000 mg/kg (Rabbit)	LC50 > 42 mg/L (Rat) 1 h
Mercuric chloride	25.9 mg/kg (Rat) 1 mg/kg (Rat)	LD50 = 41 mg/kg (Rabbit)	

(b) skin corrosion/irritation; No data available

(c) serious eye damage/irritation; No data available

(d) respiratory or skin sensitization;
Respiratory No data available
Skin No data available

(e) germ cell mutagenicity; No data available

(f) carcinogenicity; No data available
 There are no known carcinogenic chemicals in this product

(g) reproductive toxicity; No data available

(h) STOT-single exposure; No data available

(i) STOT-repeated exposure; No data available
Target Organs No information available.

(j) aspiration hazard; No data available

Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed
 No information available.

Section 12 - Ecological Information

Ecotoxicity

Aquatic ecotoxicity

Component	Freshwater Fish	Water Flea	Freshwater Algae	Microtox
Sodium chloride	Pimephals prome: LC50: 7650 mg/L/96h	EC50: 1000 mg/L/48h		
Mercuric chloride	LC50: 0.1 - 0.182 mg/L, 96h flow-through (Pimephales promelas) LC50: 0.096 - 0.133 mg/L, 96h static (Lepomis macrochirus) LC50: 0.13 - 0.19 mg/L, 96h static (Oncorhynchus mykiss) LC50: 0.014 - 0.019 mg/L, 96h flow-through (Oncorhynchus mykiss) LC50: 0.02 - 0.26 mg/L, 96h static (Cyprinus carpio) LC50: = 4.425 mg/L, 96h (Cyprinus carpio) LC50: = 0.4 mg/L, 96h semi-static (Lepomis macrochirus) LC50: = 0.041 mg/L, 96h (Poecilia reticulata) LC50: 5.933 - 10.34 mg/L, 96h static (Poecilia reticulata) LC50: = 0.155 mg/L, 96h (Pimephales promelas)	EC50=0.0015mg/L 48 h EC50=0.012mg/L >48 h		

Terrestrial ecotoxicity

Component	Earthworm	Avian	Honeybees
Sodium chloride	Acute toxicity: LC50 0.1 - 1 mg/cm2 (Eisenia foetida, 48 h, filter paper)		

Persistence and Degradability

Persistence

Soluble in water, Persistence is unlikely, based on information available.

Bioaccumulative Potential

Bioaccumulation is unlikely

Mobility

The product is water soluble, and may spread in water systems. Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its water solubility. Highly mobile in soils

Other adverse effects

Endocrine Disruptor Information Persistent Organic Pollutant Ozone Depletion Potential

This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors
This product does not contain any known or suspected substance
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Section 13 - Disposal Considerations

Waste treatment methods

Waste from Residues/Unused Products	Do not allow into drains or watercourses or dispose of where ground or surface waters may be affected. Wastes, including emptied containers, are controlled wastes and should be disposed of in accordance with all federal, E.P.A., state and local regulations. Assure conformity with all applicable regulations.
Contaminated Packaging	Empty remaining contents. Dispose of in accordance with local regulations. Do not re-use empty containers.
Other Information	Disposal agencies or waste contractors must comply with the New Zealand Hazardous Substances (Disposal) Regulations .

Section 14 - Transport Information

NZS 5433:2020 Not regulated

IATA Not regulated

IMDG/IMO Not regulated

Component	IMDG Marine Pollutant
Mercuric chloride 7487-94-7 (0.001)	IMDG regulated marine pollutant (UN1624, listed under Mercury bichloride) IMDG regulated marine pollutant (UN2025) IMDG regulated marine pollutant (Listed in the index, [MERCURY BASED PESTICIDE], listed under Mercuric compounds)

Environmental hazards	No hazards identified
Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code	Not applicable, packaged goods
Special Precautions	No special precautions required. Please refer to the applicable dangerous goods regulations for additional information.
Additional information	None known

Section 15 - Regulatory Information

Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

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National Regulations

There are no applicable tolerable exposure limits or environmental exposure limits according to the EPA Controls for Hazardous Substances

Certified handlers, tracking and controlled substance license requirements

Certified handlers are required for some substances. This includes substances requiring a controlled substance license, and most explosives, vertebrates toxic agents, and certain fumigants. Acutely toxic substances which are a Category 1 or 2, such as pesticides also require Certified handlers. Please check the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 for further information. Tracking is required for some highly hazardous substances. These substances need to be under the control of an appropriately trained person or appropriately secured. Please check the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 for further information.

Prohibition or notification/licensing requirements

Shown below are details of specific prohibition/notifications or licencing requirements when they apply.

International Regulations**Ozone Depletion Potential** This product does not contain any known or suspected substance**Persistent Organic Pollutant** This product does not contain any known or suspected substance**Rotterdam Convention (PIC)** Chemicals Subject to Prior Informed Consent (PIC)

Component	Rotterdam Convention (PIC)
Mercuric chloride - 7487-94-7	X

Component	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Major Accident Notification	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Safety Report Requirements	IMDG Marine Pollutant
Mercuric chloride			IMDG regulated marine pollutant (UN1624, listed under Mercury bichloride) IMDG regulated marine pollutant (UN2025) IMDG regulated marine pollutant (Listed in the index, [MERCURY BASED PESTICIDE], listed under Mercuric compounds)

Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH

Component	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XIV - Substances Subject to Authorization	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XVII - Restrictions on Certain Dangerous Substances	REACH Regulation (EC 1907/2006) article 59 - Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC)
Mercuric chloride	-	Use restricted. See entry 75. (see link for restriction details) Use restricted. See entry 18. (see link for restriction details)	-

<https://echa.europa.eu/substances-restricted-under-reach>**International Inventories**

New Zealand (NZIoC), Australia (AICS), Europe (EINECS/ELINCS/NLP), Korea (KECL), China (IECSC), Taiwan (TCSI), Japan (ENCS), Japan (ISHL), Canada (DSL/NDL), Philippines (PICCS). US EPA (TSCA) - Toxic Substances Control Act, (40 CFR Part 710)

Component	CAS No	NZIoC	AICS	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	KECL	IECSC	TCSI
Water	7732-18-5	X	X	231-791-2	-	-	KE-35400	X	X
Dihydrogen potassium phosphate	7778-77-0	X	X	231-913-4	-	-	KE-28622	X	X
Sodium phosphate dibasic	7558-79-4	X	X	231-448-7	-	-	KE-12344	X	X
Sodium chloride	7647-14-5	X	X	231-598-3	-	-	KE-31387	X	X
Mercuric chloride	7487-94-7	X	X	231-299-8	-	-	KE-23121	X	X

Component	CAS No	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive	DSL	NDL	PICCS	ISHL	ENCS
Water	7732-18-5	X	ACTIVE	X	-	X	-	X
Dihydrogen potassium phosphate	7778-77-0	X	ACTIVE	X	-	X	X	X
Sodium phosphate dibasic	7558-79-4	X	ACTIVE	X	-	X	X	X
Sodium chloride	7647-14-5	X	ACTIVE	X	-	X	X	X
Mercuric chloride	7487-94-7	X	ACTIVE	X	-	X	X	X

Legend: X - Listed '-' - Not Listed**KECL** - NIER number or KE number (<http://ncis.nier.go.kr/en/main.do>)**Section 16 - Other Information**

This safety data sheet complies with the requirements of the EPA Hazardous Substances (Hazard Classification) Notice 2020 and WorkSafe New Zealand Regulations

Legend

NZIoC - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals	AICS - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances
TSCA - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory	EINECS/ELINCS - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances/EU List of Notified Chemical Substances
DSL/NDL - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List	ENCS - Japanese Existing and New Chemical Substances
IECSC - Chinese Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances	KECL - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances
PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances	CAS - Chemical Abstracts Service
TWA - Time Weighted Average	ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists
IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer	PNEC - Predicted No Effect Concentration
NZS 5433:2020 - Transport of Dangerous Goods on Land	OECD - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
ICAO/IATA - International Civil Aviation Organization/International Air Transport Association	IMO/IMDG - International Maritime Organization/International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code
MARPOL - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships	ADG - Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail
LD50 - Lethal Dose 50%	LC50 - Lethal Concentration 50%
EC50 - Effective Concentration 50%	ATE - Acute Toxicity Estimate
WEL - Workplace Exposure Limit	RPE - Respiratory Protective Equipment
DNEL - Derived No Effect Level	NOEC - No Observed Effect Concentration
POW - Partition coefficient Octanol:Water	BCF - Bioconcentration factor
vPvB - very Persistent, very Bioaccumulative	PBT - Persistent, Bioaccumulative, Toxic
VOC - (Volatile Organic Compound)	

Key literature references and sources for data

HSNO classifications provided in the New Zealand Chemical Classification Information Database (CCID).

<https://echa.europa.eu/information-on-chemicals>

Suppliers safety data sheet, Chemadvisor - LOLI, Merck index, RTECS

EPA Guide to classifying hazardous substances in New Zealand

EPA - Assigning a product to an existing HSNO approval guide

Classification and procedure used to derive the classification for mixtures according to Regulation (EC) 1272/2008 [CLP]:

Physical hazards	On basis of test data
Health Hazards	Calculation method
Environmental hazards	Calculation method

Training Advice

Chemical hazard awareness training, incorporating labelling, Safety Data Sheets (SDS), Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and hygiene.

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