#### **Contact Organics LocalSafe Weed Terminator Concentrate**

#### 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

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**Synonym(s)** LocalSafe Weed Terminator Concentrate

**Use** Herbicide concentrate.

This Safety Data Sheet describes the properties of the concentrated product based on the best available information. The physical properties and health assessments do not apply to the properties of the product when diluted for application. The product is practically non-hazardous when used at the recommended dilution rate.

#### 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

#### **GLOBALLY HARMONISED SYSTEM (GHS)**

**Hazard Classification** Corrosive to Metals, Category 1

Skin Corrosion/Irritation, Category 1A Serious eye damage, Category 1

Signal Word

**Pictograms** 



DANGER

**Hazard Statements** May be corrosive to metals.

Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

#### **Precautionary Statements**

Preventative

P260 Do not breathe vapour or spray.

P264 Wash hands and exposed skin thoroughly after

handling.

P234 Keep only in the original container.

P280 Wear protective gloves. Protective clothing, eye and

face protection.

Response

P301+P330+P331 IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce

vomiting.

	P310	Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.
	P303+P361+P353	
	P305+P351+P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy
		to do. Continue rinsing.
	P304+P340	IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.
	P363	
	P390	Absorb spillage to prevent material damage.
	P391	Collect spillage
Storage		
	P405	Store locked up.
Disposal		
	P501	Dispose of contents and container in accordance with local state and federal regulations.

#### **DANGEROUS GOODS CLASSIFICATION (ADG Code)**

Classified as a dangerous good by the criteria of the Australian Dangerous Goods Code (ADG Code).

3.	COMPOSITION	'INFORMATION ON	INGREDIENTS

Ingredient	CAS No.	Content (%w/w)
Acetic acid	64-19-7	60 - 79
Hydrochloric acid	7647-01-0	<2%
Ingredients determined to be non-hazardous	Not available	10 - 30
including water		

#### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Inhalation

Skin

Ingestion

Eye	Hold eyes open and flush immediately with large amounts of water for at least 15 minutes. Transport to hospital or doctor
	without delay. Removal of contact lenses after an eye injury should only be undertaken by skilled personnel.

Remove to fresh air immediately. Lie patient down and keep
warm and rested. Items such as false teeth should be removed
as they may block or impede airways. Apply artificial respiration
if not breathing, preferably with a demand valve resuscitator,
bag-valve mask device, or pocket mask. Perform CPR if
necessary. Transport to hospital, or doctor as soon as possible.

If	skin	or	hair	contact	occurs,	immediately	remove
cor	ntamin	ated	clothi	ng includi	ng footw	ear and wash	skin and
hai	hair with soan and water						

#### First Aid Facilities

Safety shower and eye wash station.

### Medical attention and special treatment

Inhalation of vapours or aerosols may cause lung oedema. Corrosive substances may cause lung damage e.g. lung oedema (fluid in the lungs). As this reaction may be delayed for up to 24 hours after exposure, affected individuals need complete rest (preferably in semi-recumbent posture) and must be kept under medical observation even if no symptoms are immediately apparent. Administration of a spray containing a dexamethasone derivative or beclomethasone derivative should be considered.

### Symptoms caused by exposure

**Eye**: Severe irritation, pain and redness.

Inhalation: Severe irritation of upper respiratory tract,

shortness of breath, possible lung oedema.

Skin: Irritation and redness.

**Ingestion:** Nausea or vomiting. May cause damage to the

oesophagus.

#### **5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES**

### Suitable extinguishing media

Use extinguishing media appropriate to the surrounding fire.

## Specific hazards arising from the chemical

May evolve toxic gases (including oxides of carbon and chlorides) when heated to decomposition. Containers may rupture when strongly heated.

# Special protective equipment and precautions for fire fighters

Evacuate area and contact emergency services. Toxic gases may be evolved in a fire situation. Remain upwind and notify those downwind of hazard. Wear full protective equipment including Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) when combatting fire. Use water fog to cool intact containers and nearby storage areas. Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water courses.

#### **6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Clean up spills immediately to prevent further accidents. Wear personal protective equipment (PPE) as specified in Section 8. Avoid breathing vapours and contact with skin and eyes. Shut off leaks, if safe to do so. Isolate hazard area and deny entry to unnecessary or unprotected personnel.

### Environmental precautions

Prevent from spreading and entering waterways by using sand, earth or other non-combustible material. Ventilate contaminated area thoroughly.

# Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Contain spillage, then cover / absorb spill with absorbent material (vermiculite, sand, or similar), collect and place in suitable containers for disposal. Eliminate all ignition sources. In the event of a large spill, contain spilled material with sand, earth or other absorbent material. Prevent run-off into drains or waterways. Transfer spilled material to suitable containers for re-use or disposal. Transfer contaminated sand or earth into suitable containers for disposal. Suitable containers include

plastic containers or plastic-lined metal drums. Clearly label all containers. Wash contaminated area with detergent and water.

#### 7. STORAGE AND HANDLING

### Precautions for safe handling

Before use carefully read the product label. Use safe work practices to avoid eye or skin contact and inhalation of vapour. Wear PPE as specified in Section 8. Use product only in well-ventilated areas. Observe good personal hygiene, including washing hands before eating, drinking or smoking. Prohibit eating, drinking and smoking in contaminated areas.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities Store in a cool, dry, well ventilated area, away from incompatible materials and foodstuffs. Ensure containers are adequately labelled, protected from physical damage and sealed when not in use. Check regularly for leaks or spills.

#### 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

#### **Exposure Standards**

Occupational exposure limits:

Component	Source	TWA	STEL	Peak	Notation
Acetic acid	Australian	25 mg/m3	25 mg/m3	Not	Not
	exposure	(10ppm)	(10ppm)	available	available
	standards				

STEL - Short Term Exposure Limit. TWA - Time Weighted Average

#### **Biological Limits**

None allocated.

#### **Engineering Controls**

No special engineering controls required when used in small quantities. Use with good general ventilation. If mists or aerosols are generated, a system of local and/or general exhaust is recommended to keep employee exposure as low as possible. Local exhaust ventilation is preferable because it can control emissions at source preventing dispersion into the general work area.

Individual protective measures and personal protective equipment (PPE) **Eye Protection:** Face shield and/or splash-proof chemical goggles (AS1336/1337). Contact lenses may pose a special hazard; soft contact lenses may absorb and concentrate irritants. Contact lenses should not be worn when handling this product.

**Glove Type:** Impervious PVC, rubber or nitrile gloves (AS2161).

**Clothing:** When using large quantities or where heavy contamination is likely, wear PVC, nitrile or rubber apron and enclosed shoes.

**Respirator**: If an inhalation risk exists, wear an approved respirator complying with AS 1715/1716. In general, respirator use should be limited, and engineering controls used to minimise exposure. If respirators must be worn, ensure adequate respirator selection and training is undertaken. Some respirators are extremely uncomfortable to wear for extended periods. Air powered or air supplied respirators

should be considered where prolonged or repeated use is necessary.

#### 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

 Appearance
 Clear blue liquid
 Solubility (Water)
 Soluble

 Odour
 Strong vinegar
 Specific Gravity
 1.17

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 3.2482 @ 2090
 1.17
 Not detailed

Vapour Pressure2.3kPa @ 20°C% VolatilesNot determinedVapour DensityNot determinedFlammabilityNot combustibleBoiling Point>100°CFlash Point> 100°C

Melting Point Not determined pH (neat) 2.5 – 3.5

Evaporation Rate Not determined pH (1% in water) 3 -4

#### 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**Reactivity** Stable under recommended conditions of storage and use.

**Chemical Stability** Stable under recommended conditions of storage and use.

**Conditions to Avoid** Keep away from heat.

Incompatible materials and possible

hazardous reactions

Keep away from strong oxidising agent, strong alkalis, bases, sulphides, carbonates and cyanides. May react violently with strong alkalis. Incompatible with mild steel, galvanised iron and zinc. Reacts with these materials to form hydrogen gas which

can form explosive mixtures with air.

Hazardous decomposition products Will evolve toxic gases including carbon oxides, chlorides and acidic vapours when heated to decomposition.

#### 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Eye** Direct contact with the eye may cause chemical burns. Vapours

or mists are extremely irritating to the eyes. Direct eye contact may produce pain, tears, sensitivity to light and burns. Mild burns of the cornea generally recover rapidly and completely.

**Inhalation** Corrosive acids cause irritation to the respiratory tract with

coughing, choking and mucous membrane damage. Dizziness, headache, nausea and weakness may also be present. Inhalation of quantities of liquid mist may be extremely hazardous, even lethal due to spasm, extreme irritation of the larynx and bronchi, chemical pneumonitis and pulmonary oedema. Minor exposure to acetic acid may cause temporary loss of voice while severe acute vapour exposure may cause fluid accumulation in the lungs. Exposure at 800-1200 ppm

cannot be tolerated for longer than three minutes.

**Skin** Repeated or prolonged direct contact with the skin may produce

chemical burns. Systemic effects may result from absorption of acetic acid through the skin. Open wounds, abraded, or irritated

skin should not be exposed to this material.

**Ingestion** Ingestion may cause chemical burns to the mouth, throat and

gastrointestinal tract. Immediate pain and difficulty swallowing

and speaking may also occur. Ingestion of large amounts may cause delayed stomach, intestinal and oesophageal perforation,

and death in extreme cases.

Chronic Repeated or prolonged exposure to acids may result in the

> erosion of teeth, swelling and/or ulceration of mouth lining. Irritation of airways to lung, with cough, and inflammation of lung tissue often occurs. Repeated minor exposure to acetic acid by mouth can cause blackening of the skin and teeth,

erosion of the teeth, vomiting, diarrhea and nausea.

Dermal LD50 (rabbit): >1500 mg/kg (estimated) **Toxicity Data** 

Oral LD50 (rat): >4000 mg/kg (estimated)

#### 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Ecotoxicity** This product may be toxic to aquatic organisms due to the

acidic nature of the product.

Persistence and In air: Acetic acid is degraded photochemically in the Degradability: atmosphere (estimated typical half-life of 22 days). In water:

Natural water will neutralize dilute solutions of acetic acid. Spills of acetic acid on soil will readily biodegrade - the biodegradation rate for acetic acid after 14 days and under aerobic conditions is 74 days. Acetic acid is not expected to bioconcentrate in aquatic systems. Inorganic constituents are

not biodegradable.

Mobility in soil Acetic acid is highly mobile in soil. Other ingredients have low

mobility.

Bioaccumulative

potential

None of the ingredients are considered to have the potential to

bioaccumulate.

Other adverse effects None known

#### 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Safe handling and disposal methods

Recover or recycle if possible. Waste material may be incinerated under controlled conditions, where permitted. Refer to local waste management authority for other approved methods. Empty containers should be decontaminated by rinsing with water prior to disposal or recycling. Product must be contained and not disposed of in sewerage systems, drains

or waterways.

Disposal of contaminated packaging

Empty packaging should be decontaminated with 5% agueous soda ash and disposed of in accordance with local, state, and federal regulations or recycled/reconditioned at an approved

facility.

Environmental regulations

Dispose of in accordance with relevant local, state and federal

legislation.

#### 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

#### LAND TRANSPORT (Australia)

Classified as a Dangerous Good according to the criteria of the

Australian Dangerous Goods Code for the Transport of Dangerous

Goods by Road and Rail (ADG Code).

Proper Shipping Name ACETIC ACID SOLUTION, not less than 50% but not more than 80%

acid, by mass

UN Number: 2790
DG Class: 8
Subsidiary Risk(s): None
Packing Group: ||
Hazchem Code: 2R

**SEA TRANSPORT** 

**Classification** Classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the International

Maritime Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG Code) for transport by sea.

Marine Pollutant Yes.

Proper Shipping ACETIC ACID SOLUTION, not less than 50% but not more than 80%

Name: acid, by mass

UN Number: 2790
IMDG Class: 8
EMS No: F-A, S-B
Subsidiary Risk(s): None

Packing Group: II Hazchem Code: 2R

#### 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

AICS All ingredients are listed on the Australian Inventory of

Chemical Substances (AICS).

Poisons Schedule: S6

Other Information None.

#### 16. OTHER INFORMATION

**Additional Information** The effects from exposure to this product depend on several

factors including frequency and duration of use, the amount used, control measures adopted, personal protective equipment used and method of use. It is impractical to prepare a data sheet that encompasses all possible situations; therefore, it is anticipated that users will assess the risks and

apply control measures as appropriate.

**Report Status**This document is based on the best available information on

the date of issue and is believed to represent the current state of knowledge as to the appropriate safety and handling precautions for this product. While all due care has been taken to include accurate and up-to-date information, no warranty as

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