



# SAFETY DATA SHEET

## OXALIC ACID

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ISSUED by: JASOL NEW ZEALAND

CLASSIFIED AS HAZARDOUS

### 1. IDENTIFICATION

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**GHS Product Identifier**

OXALIC ACID

**Product Code**

2062240

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**Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use**

Reducing Souring Agent for General Laundry Work. Add At a Rate of 5-10 Gram per kg Dry Weight Linen.

### 2. HAZARD IDENTIFICATION

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**GHS classification of the substance/mixture**

Classified as Hazardous according to the Hazardous Substances (Minimum Degrees of Hazard) Regulations 2001, New Zealand.  
Not classified as Dangerous Goods for transport according to the New Zealand Standard NZS 5433:2012 Transport of Dangerous Goods on Land.

6.1D (Oral) - Substance that is acutely toxic

- 6.1D (Dermal) - Substance that is acutely toxic
- 6.1D (Inhalation – vapours, dusts or mists) - Substance that is acutely toxic
- 6.8C Substance that produces toxic human reproductive or developmental effects on or via lactation
- 6.9B (Single exposure) - Substance that is harmful to human target organs or systems
- 8.1A Substance that is corrosive to metals
- 8.2C Substance that is corrosive to dermal tissue
- 8.3A Substance that is corrosive to ocular tissue
- 9.3B Substance that is ecotoxic to terrestrial vertebrates

**Signal Word (s)**

DANGER

**Hazard Statement (s)**

- H302 Harmful if swallowed.
- H312 Harmful in contact with skin.
- H332 Harmful if inhaled.
- H362 May cause harm to breast-fed children.
- H371 May cause damage to organs.
- H373 May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.
- H290 May be corrosive to metals.
- H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
- H318 Causes serious eye damage.
- H422 Toxic to the soil environment.

**Pictogram (s)**

Corrosion, Exclamation mark, Health hazard, Environment



**Precautionary statement – Prevention**

- P201 Obtain special instructions before use.
- P234 Keep only in original container.
- P260 Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.
- P261 Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.
- P263 Avoid contact during pregnancy/while nursing.
- P264 Wash contaminated skin thoroughly after handling.
- P270 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
- P271 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.
- P273 Avoid release to the environment.
- P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.

**Precautionary statement – Response**

- P301+P312 IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.
- P301+P330+P331 IF SWALLOWED: rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.
- P302+P352 IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.
- P303+P361+P353 IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.
- P304+P340 IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.
- P305+P351+P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
- P308+P313 IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention.
- P309+P311 IF exposed or if you feel unwell: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.
- P310 Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.
- P312 Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.
- P314 Get medical advice/attention if you feel unwell.
- P330 Rinse mouth.
- P363 Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.
- P390 Absorb spillage to prevent material damage.
- P391 Collect spillage.

**Precautionary statement – Storage**

P405 Store locked up.  
P406 Store in corrosive resistant/ container with a resistant inner liner.

### 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

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#### Ingredients

Name	CAS	Proportion
Oxalic acid	144-62-7	100%

### 4. FIRST-AID MEASURES

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#### First Aid Measures

24 Hour Emergency Contact: 0800 CHEMCALL (0800 243 622)  
New Zealand Poisons Information Centre: 0800 POISON (0800 764 766)  
New Zealand Emergency Services: 111

#### Inhalation

Remove victim from exposure - avoid becoming a casualty. Remove contaminated clothing and loosen remaining clothing. Allow patient to assume most comfortable position and keep warm. Keep at rest until fully recovered. For all but the most minor symptoms arrange for patient to be seen by a doctor as soon as possible, either on site or at the nearest hospital.

#### Ingestion

Contact a doctor or the Poisons Information Centre immediately. Give patient 1-3 cups of milk or water to drink. Do NOT induce vomiting. Transport to a hospital or doctor immediately.

#### Skin

If skin contact occurs, remove contaminated clothing and wash skin thoroughly with running water and a mild soap. If swelling, redness, blistering or irritation occurs seek medical advice.

#### Eye contact

If in eyes, hold eyes open, flood with water for at least 15 minutes and see a doctor.

#### First Aid Facilities

Eye wash station and normal washroom facilities.

#### Advice to Doctor

The systemic effects are attributed to the removal by the oxalic acid of the calcium in the blood. The renal tubules obstructed by calcium oxalate. If ingestion has occurred, administer a dilute solution of calcium/magnesium compound, eg. milk of magnesia, calcium lactate, calcium gluconate.

#### Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed

No adverse health effects expected if the product is handled in accordance with this MSDS and the product label.

### 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

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#### Suitable Extinguishing Media

Use water fog or fine water spray type extinguishers.

#### Specific Methods

Fire-fighters to wear self contained breathing apparatus and protective equipment. If safe to do so remove containers from path of fire.

#### Specific Hazards Arising From The Chemical

Combustible solid. Incompatible with alkalis, oxidising agents, calcium salts, silver, mercury and sodium chlorite. A violent reaction occurs with furfuryl alcohol. Decomposes on melting releasing oxides of carbon gases.

#### Hazchem Code

None allocated

## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

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### Spills & Disposal

Clear area of all unprotected personnel. Wear protective equipment to prevent skin and eye contamination. Sweep up, but avoid generating dust. Collect and seal in drums for disposal. Do NOT wash untreated material down the drain or sewer. CAUTION: Before dealing with spillage take necessary protective measures, inform others to keep at a safe distance and, for flammable materials, shut off all possible sources of ignition.

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

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### Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store in cool place in sealed plastic containers. Store in a well ventilated area. Store away from oxidising agents and foodstuffs. Store away from sources of heat. Keep containers closed when not in use. This material is a Schedule Poison (S6) and must be used, stored and maintained in accordance with the relevant regulations.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

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### Occupational exposure limit values

Oxalic Acid  
STEL (mg/m<sup>3</sup>): 2  
STEL (ppm): -  
TWA (mg/m<sup>3</sup>): 1  
TWA (ppm):-

### Appropriate Engineering Controls

In very confined spaces have sufficient ventilation or local exhaust. Keep containers closed when not in use.

### Personal Protective Equipment

Avoid contact with the skin and eyes. Avoid breathing dust. Personal protection to be selected from those recommended below, as appropriate to mode of use, quantity handled and degree of hazard:- Dust mask Safety glasses Gloves, rubber or plastic Plastic apron, sleeves and boots Overalls or dust coat. Always maintain a high level of personal hygiene when using this product. That is wash hands before eating, drinking, smoking or using the toilet

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

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### Form

Solid

### Appearance

White Powder

### Colour

White

### Odour

No Odour

### Melting Point

101°C

### Boiling Point

150°C

### Solubility in Water

102 g/L (25°C)

### Specific Gravity

1.65

### pH

1.3 (1% solution)

**Vapour Pressure**

N/A

**Flash Point**

None

**Flammability**

Combustible solid

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**10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

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**Hazardous Decomposition Products**

Water vapour, carbon dioxide.

**Possibility of hazardous reactions**

Contact with metals may produce hydrogen gas which is flammable. Do not mix with bleaches, or other cleaning solutions.

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**11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

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**Toxicology Information**

No toxicity information is available for this product.

**Ingestion**

Corrosive. Toxic. May cause burns of the mouth and oesophagus, nausea, gastroenteritis and shock. Absorption can occur causing systematic poisoning. Symptoms may include headache, weak pulse and muscle cramps, May cause kidney damage.

**Inhalation**

Moderately corrosive - may cause burns and desquamation to respiratory tract.

**Skin**

An irritant to the skin. May cause redness, pain and burn to the skin. May be absorbed through the skin.

**Eye**

Exposure to dust is moderately corrosive and/or irritative.

**Chronic Effects**

Prolonged inhalation of mist may cause inflammation of the upper respiratory tract. Skin contact may cause dermatitis. May cause kidney damage, cyanosis of the fingers and possible ulcerations.

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**12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

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**Ecological information**

No data

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**13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

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**Waste Disposal**

Refer to Land Waste Management Authority in your State.

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**14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

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**Transport Information**

Not classified as Dangerous Goods for transport according to the New Zealand Standard NZS 5433:2007 Transport of Dangerous Goods on Land.

**U.N. Number**

None Allocated

**UN proper shipping name**

None Allocated

**Transport hazard class(es)**

None allocated

**Sub.Risk**

None allocated

**Hazchem Code**

None allocated

**Packaging Method**

None allocated

**UN Number (Sea Transport)**

None allocated

**UN Number (Road Transport)**

None allocated

**UN Number (Air Transport, ICAO)**

None allocated

**IATA/ICAO Hazard Class**

None allocated

**IATA/ICAO Packing Group**

None allocated

**IATA/ICAO Sub Risk**

None allocated

**IMDG UN No**

None allocated

**IMDG Hazard Class**

None allocated

**IMDG Pack. Group**

None allocated

**IMDG Subsidiary Risk**

None allocated

## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

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**Regulatory information**

Oxalic acid (CAS: 144-62-7) is found on the following regulatory lists

New Zealand Hazardous Substances and New Organisms (HSNO) Act - Chemicals (single components)", "New Zealand Hazardous Substances and New Organisms (HSNO) Act - Classification of Chemicals", "New Zealand Hazardous Substances and New Organisms (HSNO) Act - Classification of Chemicals - Classification Data"

**HSNO Approval Number**

HSR002710

**Other Information**

Specific advice on controls required for materials used in New Zealand can be found at <http://www.epa.govt.nz/hazardous-substances/approvals/Pages/default.aspx>.

## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

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**Date of preparation or last revision of SDS**

26/10/2018

**Technical Contact Numbers**

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New Zealand Emergency Services: 111

**Other Information**

The SDS is a Hazard Communication tool and should be used to assist in the Risk Assessment. Many factors determine whether the

reported Hazards are Risks in the workplace or other settings.

This SDS summarises to our best knowledge at the date of issue, the chemical health and safety hazards of the material and general guidance on how to safely handle the material in the workplace. Since Jasol NZ cannot anticipate or control the conditions under which the product may be used, each user must, prior to usage, assess and control the risks arising from its use of the material.

If clarification or further information is needed, the user should contact their Jasol NZ representative or Jasol NZ at the contact details on page 1.

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