

## Section 1 - Identification of the Material and Supplier

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**Chemical nature:** Glufosinate ammonium is an organophosphorus-phosphinic acid derivative.  
**Trade Name:** **Macspred Glufosinate 200 SL Herbicide**  
**APVMA Approval No:** 83359  
**Product Use:** Agricultural herbicide for use as described on the product label.  
**Creation Date:** **June, 2017**  
**This version issued:** **June, 2022** and is valid for 5 years from this date.

## SECTION 2 - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### Statement of Hazardous Nature

**SUSMP Classification:** S5

**ADG Classification:** None allocated. Not a Dangerous Good under the ADG Code.

**UN Number:** None allocated



### GHS Signal word: DANGER

Acute Toxicity Oral Category 4  
Acute Toxicity Dermal Category 4  
Skin Irritation Category 2  
Eye irritation Category 2B  
Acute Toxicity Inhalation Category 4  
Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Single Exposure Category 3  
Reproductive Toxicity Category 1  
Specific Target Organ toxicity - repeated exposure Category 2

### HAZARD STATEMENT:

H302: Harmful if swallowed.  
H312: Harmful in contact with skin.  
H315: Causes skin irritation.  
H320: Causes eye irritation.  
H332: Harmful if inhaled.  
H335: May cause respiratory irritation.  
H360: May damage fertility or the unborn child.  
H373: May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

### PREVENTION

P102: Keep out of reach of children.  
P201: Obtain special instructions before use.  
P202: Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.  
P261: Avoid breathing fumes, mists, vapours or spray.  
P262: Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing.  
P264: Wash contacted areas thoroughly after handling.  
P270: Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.  
P271: Use only outdoors or in a well ventilated area.  
P280: Wear protective gloves, protective clothing and eye or face protection.

### RESPONSE

P362: Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse.  
P301+P312: IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTRE or doctor 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.

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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.  
 P332+P313: If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice.  
 P337+P313: If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice.  
 P370+P378: Not combustible. Use extinguishing media suited to burning materials.

**STORAGE**

P410: Protect from sunlight.  
 P402+P404: Store in a dry place. Store in a closed container.  
 P403+P235: Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool.

**DISPOSAL**

P501: Dispose of contents and containers as specified on the registered label.

**Emergency Overview**

**Physical Description & colour:** Clear, greenish-blue liquid.

**Odour:** Weak, slightly pungent odour.

**Major Health Hazards:** May impair fertility. Possible risk of harm to the unborn child. Harmful in contact with skin and if swallowed. Irritating to eyes and skin. Harmful: danger of serious damage to health by prolonged exposure through inhalation and if swallowed.

**SECTION 3 - COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

Ingredients	CAS No	Conc, %	TWA (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	STEL (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )
Glufosinate-ammonium	77182-82-2	200g/L	not set	not set
Other non hazardous ingredients	secret	to 100	not set	not set

This is a commercial product whose exact ratio of components may vary slightly. Minor quantities of other non hazardous ingredients are also possible.

The SWA TWA exposure value is the average airborne concentration of a particular substance when calculated over a normal 8 hour working day for a 5 day working week. The STEL (Short Term Exposure Limit) is an exposure value that may be equalled (but should not be exceeded) for no longer than 15 minutes and should not be repeated more than 4 times per day. There should be at least 60 minutes between successive exposures at the STEL. The term "peak "is used when the TWA limit, because of the rapid action of the substance, should never be exceeded, even briefly.

**SECTION 4 - FIRST AID MEASURES**

**General Information:**

You should call The Poisons Information Centre if you feel that you may have been poisoned, burned or irritated by this product. The number is 13 1126 from anywhere in Australia (0800 764 766 in New Zealand) and is available at all times. Have this SDS with you when you call.

**Inhalation:** First aid is not generally required. If in doubt, contact a Poisons Information Centre or a doctor.

**Skin Contact:** Wash gently and thoroughly with warm water (use non-abrasive soap if necessary) for 10-20 minutes or until product is removed. Under running water, remove contaminated clothing, shoes and leather goods (e.g. watchbands and belts) and completely decontaminate them before reuse or discard. If irritation persists, repeat flushing and seek medical attention.

**Eye Contact:** Immediately flush the contaminated eye(s) with lukewarm, gently flowing water for 15 minutes or until the product is removed, while holding the eyelid(s) open. Take care not to rinse contaminated water into the unaffected eye or onto the face. Obtain medical attention immediately. Take special care if exposed person is wearing contact lenses.

**Ingestion:** If swallowed, do NOT induce vomiting. Wash mouth with water and contact a Poisons Information Centre, or call a doctor.

**SECTION 5 - FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES**

**Fire and Explosion Hazards:** The major hazard in fires is usually inhalation of heated and toxic or oxygen deficient (or both), fire gases. There is no risk of an explosion from this product under normal circumstances if it is involved in a fire.

This product is likely to decompose only after heating to dryness, followed by further strong heating.

Fire decomposition products from this product are likely to be irritating if inhaled.

**Extinguishing Media:** Not combustible. Use extinguishing media suited to burning materials.

**Fire Fighting:** If a significant quantity of this product is involved in a fire, call the fire brigade.

**Flammability Class:** Does not burn.

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## SECTION 6 - ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

**Accidental release:** In the event of a major spill, prevent spillage from entering drains or water courses. Wear full protective clothing including eye/face protection. All skin areas should be covered. See below under Personal Protection regarding Australian Standards relating to personal protective equipment. Suitable materials for protective clothing include PVC, Nitrile. Eye/face protective equipment should comprise as a minimum, protective goggles. If there is a significant chance that vapours or mists are likely to build up in the cleanup area, we recommend that you use a respirator. Usually, no respirator is necessary when using this product. However, if you have any doubts consult the Australian Standard mentioned below (section 8).

Stop leak if safe to do so, and contain spill. Absorb onto sand, vermiculite or other suitable absorbent material. If spill is too large or if absorbent material is not available, try to create a dike to stop material spreading or going into drains or waterways. Sweep up and shovel or collect recoverable product into labelled containers for recycling or salvage, and dispose of promptly. Recycle containers wherever possible after careful cleaning. Refer to product label for specific instructions. After spills, wash area preventing runoff from entering drains. If a significant quantity of material enters drains, advise emergency services. Full details regarding disposal of used containers, spillage and unused material may be found on the label. If there is any conflict between this SDS and the label, instructions on the label prevail. Ensure legality of disposal by consulting regulations prior to disposal. Thoroughly launder protective clothing before storage or re-use. Advise laundry of nature of contamination when sending contaminated clothing to laundry.

## SECTION 7 - HANDLING AND STORAGE

**Handling:** Keep exposure to this product to a minimum, and minimise the quantities kept in work areas. Check Section 8 of this SDS for details of personal protective measures, and make sure that those measures are followed. The measures detailed below under "Storage" should be followed during handling in order to minimise risks to persons using the product in the workplace. Also, avoid contact or contamination of product with incompatible materials listed in Section 10.

**Storage:** This product is a Scheduled Poison. Observe all relevant regulations regarding sale, transport and storage of this schedule of poison. Protect this product from light. Store in the closed original container in a dry, cool, well-ventilated area out of direct sunlight. Make sure that the product does not come into contact with substances listed under "Incompatibilities" in Section 10. Some liquid preparations settle or separate on standing and may require stirring before use. Check packaging - there may be further storage instructions on the label.

## SECTION 8 - EXPOSURE CONTROLS AND PERSONAL PROTECTION

The following Australian Standards will provide general advice regarding safety clothing and equipment:

Respiratory equipment: **AS/NZS 1715**, Protective Gloves: **AS 2161**, Occupational Protective Clothing: AS/NZS 4501 set 2008, Industrial Eye Protection: **AS1336** and **AS/NZS 1337**, Occupational Protective Footwear: **AS/NZS2210**.

**SWA Exposure Limits**                      **TWA (mg/m<sup>3</sup>)**                                      **STEL (mg/m<sup>3</sup>)**

Exposure limits have not been established by SWA for any of the significant ingredients in this product.

The ADI for Glufosinate-ammonium is set at 0.02mg/kg/day. The corresponding NOEL is set at 2.1mg/kg/day. ADI means Acceptable Daily Intake; NOEL means No-observable-effect-level. Data from Australian ADI List, March 2016.

No special equipment is usually needed when occasionally handling small quantities. The following instructions are for bulk handling or where regular exposure in an occupational setting occurs without proper containment systems.

**Ventilation:** No special ventilation requirements are normally necessary for this product. However make sure that the work environment remains clean and that vapours and mists are minimised.

**Eye Protection:** Protective glasses or goggles should be worn when this product is being used. Failure to protect your eyes may cause them harm. Emergency eye wash facilities are also recommended in an area close to where this product is being used.

**Skin Protection:** Prevent skin contact by wearing impervious gloves, clothes and, preferably, apron. Make sure that all skin areas are covered. See below for suitable material types.

**Protective Material Types:** There is no specific recommendation for any particular protective material type.

**Respirator:** Usually, no respirator is necessary when using this product. However, if you have any doubts consult the Australian Standard mentioned above.

Eyebaths or eyewash stations and safety deluge showers should, if practical, be provided near to where this product is being handled commercially.

## SECTION 9 - PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES:

**Physical Description & colour:** Clear, greenish-blue liquid.

**Odour:** Weak, pungent odour.

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<b>Boiling Point:</b>	Approximately 100°C at 100kPa.
<b>Flash point:</b>	Does not burn.
<b>Upper Flammability Limit:</b>	Does not burn.
<b>Lower Flammability Limit:</b>	Does not burn.
<b>Autoignition temperature:</b>	Not applicable - does not burn.
<b>Freezing/Melting Point:</b>	Approximately 0°C.
<b>Volatiles:</b>	Water component.
<b>Vapour Pressure:</b>	2.37 kPa at 20°C (water vapour pressure).
<b>Vapour Density:</b>	As for water.
<b>Specific Gravity:</b>	1.11 at 20°C
<b>Water Solubility:</b>	Completely soluble in water.
<b>pH:</b>	No data.
<b>Volatility:</b>	No data.
<b>Odour Threshold:</b>	No data.
<b>Evaporation Rate:</b>	As for water.
<b>Coeff Oil/water distribution:</b>	No data
<b>Particle Characteristics:</b>	Not applicable to liquids.

## SECTION 10 – STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**Reactivity:** This product is unlikely to react or decompose under normal storage conditions. However, if you have any doubts, contact the supplier for advice on shelf life properties.

**Conditions to Avoid:** Protect this product from light. Store in the closed original container in a dry, cool, well-ventilated area out of direct sunlight.

**Incompatibilities:** strong acids, strong bases, strong oxidising agents.

**Fire Decomposition:** This product is likely to decompose only after heating to dryness, followed by further strong heating. Combustion forms carbon dioxide, and if incomplete, carbon monoxide and possibly smoke. Water is also formed. May form nitrogen and its compounds, and under some circumstances, oxides of nitrogen. Occasionally hydrogen cyanide gas in reducing atmospheres. Carbon monoxide poisoning produces headache, weakness, nausea, dizziness, confusion, dimness of vision, disturbance of judgment, and unconsciousness followed by coma and death.

**Polymerisation:** This product will not undergo polymerisation reactions.

## SECTION 11 - TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Local Effects:

**Target Organs:** There is no data to hand indicating any particular target organs.

Glufosinate-ammonium is a SWA Class 3 Reproductive risk, possible risk of harm to the unborn child.

### Classification of Hazardous Ingredients

Ingredient	Health Hazard Statement Codes
Glufosinate-ammonium	H360FD, H332, H312, H302, H373
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Reproductive toxicity - category 1B</li><li>• Acute toxicity (oral) - category 4</li><li>• Acute toxicity (dermal) - category 4</li><li>• Acute toxicity (inhal) - category 4</li><li>• Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure) - category 2</li></ul>

**Glufosinate-ammonium:** LD<sub>50</sub> Oral, Rat >5000mg/kg

LD<sub>50</sub> Dermal, Rat = >2000mg/kg

LC<sub>50</sub> Inhalation, Rat = 3.73mg/L/4hr

The following data is based on the active ingredient.

**Chronic toxicity:** No clear evidence of target organ toxicity was noted in studies with rats, mice or dogs.

**Carcinogenicity:** None.

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**Neurotoxicity:** Does not inhibit acetylcholinesterase activities. No evidence of delayed neurotoxicity was noted in hens. Neurobehavioral effects (e.g., hypersensitivity, tremors, convulsions) related to stimulation of the central nervous system (CNS) were observed in some studies but only at lethal or near lethal dose levels.

### Potential Health Effects

#### Inhalation:

**Short term exposure:** Available data indicates that this product is not harmful. However product may be mildly irritating, although unlikely to cause anything more than mild transient discomfort.

**Long Term exposure:** No data for health effects associated with long term inhalation.

#### Skin Contact:

**Short Term Exposure:** Available data shows that this product is harmful, but symptoms are not available. In addition product is a skin irritant. Symptoms may include itchiness and reddening of contacted skin. Other symptoms may also become evident, but all should disappear once exposure has ceased.

**Long Term Exposure:** No data for health effects associated with long term skin exposure.

#### Eye Contact:

**Short Term Exposure:** This product is an eye irritant. Symptoms may include stinging and reddening of eyes and watering which may become copious. Other symptoms may also become evident. If exposure is brief, symptoms should disappear once exposure has ceased. However, lengthy exposure or delayed treatment may cause permanent damage.

**Long Term Exposure:** No data for health effects associated with long term eye exposure.

#### Ingestion:

**Short Term Exposure:** Significant oral exposure is considered to be unlikely. Available data shows that this product is harmful, but symptoms are not available. However, this product is an oral irritant. Symptoms may include burning sensation and reddening of skin in mouth and throat. Other symptoms may also become evident, but all should disappear once exposure has ceased.

**Long Term Exposure:** No data for health effects associated with long term ingestion.

#### Carcinogen Status:

**SWA:** No significant ingredient is classified as carcinogenic by SWA.

**NTP:** No significant ingredient is classified as carcinogenic by NTP.

**IARC:** No significant ingredient is classified as carcinogenic by IARC.

### SECTION 12 - ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

This product is biodegradable. It will not accumulate in the soil or water or cause long term problems.

**Acute and prolonged toxicity to fish:** LC<sub>50</sub>: 79mg/l (96h) in bluegill sunfish, 42mg/l (96h) in rainbow trout, 80mg/l (96h) in carp, 560-1000mg/l in freshwater fish & invertebrates.

**Acute toxicity to aquatic invertebrates:** EC<sub>50</sub>/LC<sub>50</sub>: >100mg/l (48h) in daphnia, 7.2-125mg/l in marine and estuarine organisms.

**Chronic toxicity to aquatic invertebrates:** NOEC: 32mg/l in freshwater invertebrates.

**Toxicity other non mammal terr. Species:** LD<sub>50</sub>/LC<sub>50</sub>: acute oral >2000mg/kg in avian, acute dietary >5000ppm in avian, reproduction 400ppm in avian, contact >600µg/bee in honeybee.

**Stability in water:** hydrolytic half-life: >300 days.

**Photodegradation:** photolytic half-life: >300 days.

**Stability in soil:** soil half-life: 6-23 days in field dissipation studies. Koc: 10-1229 (depending on soil type).

**Bioaccumulation:** no accumulation.

**Environmental precautions:** Do not apply directly to water, to areas where surface water is present or to intertidal areas below the mean high water mark. Do not clean equipment or dispose of equipment wash waters in a manner that will contaminate water resources of arable land.

### SECTION 13 - DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

**Disposal:** Special help is available for the disposal of Agricultural Chemicals. The product label will give general advice regarding disposal of small quantities, and how to cleanse containers. However, for help with the collection of unwanted rural chemicals, contact ChemClear 1800 008 182 <http://www.chemclear.com.au/> and for help with the disposal of empty drums, contact DrumMuster <http://www.drummuster.com.au/> where you will find contact details for your area.

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### SECTION 14 - TRANSPORT INFORMATION

**ADG Code:** This product is not classified as a Dangerous Good. No special transport conditions are necessary unless required by other regulations.

### SECTION 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION

**AIC:** All of the significant ingredients in this formulation are compliant with AICIS regulations. The following ingredient: Glufosinate-ammonium, is mentioned in the SUSMP.

### SECTION 16 - OTHER INFORMATION

**This SDS contains only safety-related information. For other data see product literature.**

**Acronyms:**

<b>ADG Code</b>	Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail (7 <sup>th</sup> edition)
<b>AIC</b>	Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals
<b>SWA</b>	Safe Work Australia, formerly ASCC and NOHSC
<b>CAS number</b>	Chemical Abstracts Service Registry Number
<b>Hazchem Code</b>	Emergency action code of numbers and letters that provide information to emergency services especially firefighters
<b>IARC</b>	International Agency for Research on Cancer
<b>NOS</b>	Not otherwise specified
<b>NTP</b>	National Toxicology Program (USA)
<b>SUSMP</b>	Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines & Poisons
<b>UN Number</b>	United Nations Number

THIS SDS SUMMARISES OUR BEST KNOWLEDGE OF THE HEALTH AND SAFETY HAZARD STATEMENT: INFORMATION OF THE PRODUCT AND HOW TO SAFELY HANDLE AND USE THE PRODUCT IN THE WORKPLACE. EACH USER MUST REVIEW THIS SDS IN THE CONTEXT OF HOW THE PRODUCT WILL BE HANDLED AND USED IN THE WORKPLACE.

IF CLARIFICATION OR FURTHER INFORMATION IS NEEDED TO ENSURE THAT AN APPROPRIATE RISK ASSESSMENT CAN BE MADE, THE USER SHOULD CONTACT THIS COMPANY SO WE CAN ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FROM OUR SUPPLIERS. OUR RESPONSIBILITY FOR PRODUCTS SOLD IS SUBJECT TO OUR STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS, A COPY OF WHICH IS SENT TO OUR CUSTOMERS AND IS ALSO AVAILABLE ON REQUEST.

Please read all labels carefully before using product.

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