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#### **Section 1 - Identification**

Product Identifier LITMUS

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Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use Acid-base indicator: pH 4.5 (red) to pH 8.3 (blue), microscopy, soil testing, dyostuff and laboratory reagent

dyestuff and laboratory reagent.

Other Names Name Product Code

LITMUS LR LL026

Lichen blue Lacmus

Additional Information Other Information Preparation of use: Add 4 g to 100 ml water.

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acquiring equivalent goods.

### Section 2 - Hazard(s) Identification

GHS Classification of the Substance/Mixture

Classified as non-Hazardous according to the 7th Edition Globally Harmonised System of classification and labelling of Chemicals (GHS7) including Work, Health and Safety regulations. Australia

Health and Safety regulations, Australia.

Not classified as dangerous goods according to the Australian Dangerous Goods

Code (ADG).

## Section 3 - Composition and Information on Ingredients

 Ingredients
 Name
 CAS
 Proportion

 Litmus
 1393-92-6
 100 %

Other Information Derived by treating lichens (particularly 'Variolaria lecanora' and 'V.

rocella') with ammonia and potash and then fermenting the mass.

# **Section 4 - First Aid Measures**

Inhalation If inhaled, remove from contaminated area to fresh air immediately. Apply

artificial respiration if not breathing. If breathing is difficult, give

oxygen. Get medical aid if cough or other symptoms appear.

Ingestion Rinse mouth thoroughly with water immediately, repeat until all traces of

product have been removed. DO NOT INDUCE VOMITING. Seek medical advice if

effects persist.

Skin Wash affected area thoroughly with copious amounts of running water. Remove

contaminated clothing and wash before reuse. In severe cases or if irritation

persists, seek medical attention.

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In case of contact with eyes, wash with running water holding eyelids open. Eye

Take care not to rinse contaminated water into a non-affected eye. If

irritation persits seek medical advice.

Maintain eyewash fountain and drench facilities in work area. **First Aid Facilities** 

**Advice to Doctor** Treat symptomatically and supportively.

Like most organic dye-stuffs and similar materials they should always be Other Information

handled with caution.

### **Section 5 - Firefighting Measures**

Hazards from Combustion **Products** 

Highly toxic and/or irritating fumes, smoke and gases including nitrogen

oxides, carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, and nitrogen.

Small fire: Use dry chemical, CO2, water spray or foam. **Specific Methods** 

**Specific Hazards** Arising from the

Chemical

May burn but do not ignite readily.

### **Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures**

**Personal Precautions** Avoid substance contact. Avoid generation of dusts: do not inhale dusts.

Ensure supply of fresh air in enclosed rooms.

Wear protective clothing specified for normal operations (see Section 8) **Personal Protection** 

Sweep up (avoid generating dust) and remove to a suitable, clearly labelled Clean-up Methods container for disposal in accordance with local regulations. **Small Spillages** 

Section 7 - Handling and Storage

**Precautions for Safe** Handling

Avoid ingestion and inhalation of dust. Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and

clothing.

**Conditions for safe** storage, including any incompatibilities

Store in tightly closed, labelled, in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area away from incompatible substances. Protect from direct sunlight and moisture.

Storage

Store at room temperature (15 to 25 °C recommended). Product loses its

potency/performance above 45 °C. **Temperatures** 

#### **Section 8 - Exposure Controls and Personal Protection**

Other Exposure Information

A time weighted average (TWA) concentration for an 8 hour day, and 5 day week has not been established by Safe Work Australia for this product. There is a blanket limit of  $10 \text{ mg/m}^3$  for dusts when limits have not otherwise been

established.

**Engineering Controls** 

In industrial situations maintain the concentrations values below the TWA.

This may be achieved by process modification, use of local exhaust ventilation, capturing substances at the source, or other methods. When making up indicator solution, do so in the fume cupboard.

Respiratory **Protection** 

Where ventilation is not adequate, respiratory protection may be required. Avoid breathing dust, vapours or mists. Respiratory protection should comply with AS 1716 - Respiratory Protective Devices and be selected in accordance with AS 1715 - Selection, Use and Maintenance of Respiratory Protective Devices. Filter capacity and respirator type depends on exposure levels. event of emergency or planned entry into unknown concentrations a positive

pressure, full-facepiece SCBA should be used. If respiratory protection is required, institute a complete respiratory protection program including selection, fit testing, training, maintenance and inspection.

**Eye and Face** 

The use of a face shield, chemical goggles or safety glasses with side shield protection as appropriate. Must comply with Australian Standards AS 1337 and **Protection** 

be selected and used in accordance with AS 1336.

Hand protection should comply with AS 2161, Occupational protective gloves -**Hand Protection** Selection, use and maintenance. Recommendation: Silver Shield gloves

Nitrile rubber gloves Plastic or rubber gloves.

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**Personal Protective** Equipment

Final choice of personal protective equipment will depend on individual

circumstances and/or according to risk assessments undertaken.

**Body Protection** 

Clean clothing or protective clothing should be worn. Clothing for protection against chemicals should comply with AS 3765 Clothing for Protection Against

Hazardous Chemicals.

Always wash hands before smoking, eating or using the toilet. Wash **Hygiene Measures** 

contaminated clothing and other protective equipment before storing or

re-using.

Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties

Solid **Form** 

Dark blue, homogeneous, amorphous powder. **Appearance** 

Odour of indigo and violets. Odour

Solubility in Water Moderately soluble; insoluble residue.

Combustible. Flammability

Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

Stable under normal conditions, temperatures and pressures. **Chemical Stability** 

**Incompatible** 

Strong acids, Strong bases, Oxidizing agents.

Materials

Irritating and toxic fumes and gases, nitrogen oxides, carbon monoxide, carbon Hazardous

dioxide, and nitrogen. Decomposition

**Products** 

Will not occur. Hazardous

**Polymerization** 

Section 11 - Toxicological Information

Toxicology

To the best of our knowledge, the toxicological properties of this material

have not been fully investigated.

Information Ingestion

May be harmful if swallowed. May cause irritation of the digestive tract and stomach, and produce minor gastrointestinal symptoms, including nausea and vomiting. The toxicological properties of this substance have not been fully

investigated.

Inhalation

Inhalation of dusts may cause respiratory tract irritation. The toxicological

properties of this substance have not been fully investigated.

Skin

May cause skin irritation, itching and dryness. May stain. May be harmful if

absorbed through the skin.

Eye

May cause eye irritation, resulting in inflammation, stinging and blurred

Carcinogenicity

Not listed in the IARC Monographs.

**Section 12 - Ecological Information** 

**Ecological** Information No ecological problems are to be expected when the product is handled and used

with due care and attention.

Persistence and **Degradability** 

Products of Biodegradation: Possibly hazardous short term degradation products

are not likely. However, long term degradation products may arise.

Toxicity of the Products of Biodegradation: The products of degradation are

more toxic.

**Section 13 - Disposal Considerations** 

**Disposal** Dispose of according to relevant local, state and federal government

regulations. Considerations

**Section 14 - Transport Information** 

**Transport** Information Not classified as a Dangerous Good according to the Australian Code for the

Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail.

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### Section 15 - Regulatory Information

Not Scheduled **Poisons Schedule** 

#### Section 16 - Any Other Relevant Information

#### Literature References

'Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons .', Commonwealth of Australia.

National Road Transport Commission, 'Australian Code for the Transport of

Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail 7th. Ed.'. Safe Work Australia, 'National Code of Practice for the Preparation of Safety

Data Sheets for Hazardous Chemicals'.

Standards Australia, 'SAA/SNZ HB 76:2010 Dangerous Goods - Initial Emergency Response Guide', Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand.

Safe Work Australia, 'Hazardous Chemical Information System'. Safe Work Australia, 'National Code of Practice for the Labelling of Safe

Work Hazardous Substances'.

Safe Work Australia, 'National Exposure Standards for Atmospheric Contaminants in the Occupational Environment'.

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