

Section 1 - Identification of The Material and Supplier

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Chemical nature:	Zinc phosphide in a suitable carrier.
Trade Name:	Farmalinx ZincPhos Pellets
APVMA Code:	80058
Product Use:	For the control of heavy infestations of mice in agricultural situations.
Creation Date:	December, 2014
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## Section 2 - Hazards Identification

## Statement of Hazardous Nature

This product is classified as: T, Toxic. N, Dangerous to the environment. Hazardous according to the criteria of SWA.

Not a Dangerous Good according to Australian Dangerous Goods (ADG) Code, IATA or IMDG/IMSBC criteria.

**Risk Phrases:** R25, R15/29, R50/53. Toxic if swallowed. Contact with water liberates toxic, highly flammable phosphine gas. Very toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects to the aquatic environment. **Safety Phrases:** S20, S28, S30, S45, S60, S61, S1/2, S24/25, S36/37. When using, do not eat or drink. After contact with skin, wash immediately with plenty of soap and water. Never add water to this product. In case of accident or if you feel unwell, contact a doctor or Poisons Information Centre immediately (show this SDS where possible). This material and its container must be disposed of as hazardous waste. Avoid release to the environment. Refer to special instructions/Safety Data Sheets. Keep locked up and out of reach of children. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Wear suitable protective clothing and gloves.

#### SUSMP Classification: S7

ADG Classification: None allocated. Not a Dangerous Good according to Australian Dangerous Goods (ADG) Code, IATA or IMDG/IMSBC criteria.

UN Number: None allocated



# **GHS Signal word: DANGER**

## HAZARD STATEMENT:

H301: Toxic if swallowed.

H410: Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

#### PREVENTION

P102: Keep out of reach of children.

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.

P273: Avoid release to the environment.

P280: Wear protective gloves, protective clothing and eye or face protection.

#### RESPONSE

P352: Wash with plenty of soap and water.

P301+P310: IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTRE or doctor.

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

P391: Collect spillage.

P370+P378: In case of fire, use carbon dioxide, dry chemical.

#### STORAGE

P403: Store in a well-ventilated place.

P405: Store locked up.

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P402+P404: Store in a dry place. Store in a closed container. **DISPOSAL** 

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

**Emergency Overview** 

**Physical Description & Colour**: Dark grey pellets. **Odour:** Characteristic odour similar to garlic.

Major Health Hazards: toxic if swallowed.

**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 indicates that this product is not harmful. It should present no hazards in normal use. However product may be irritating, but is unlikely to cause anything more than mild transient discomfort. **Long Term Exposure:** No data for health effects associated with long term skin exposure.

## **Eye Contact:**

**Short Term Exposure:** This product may be irritating to eyes, but is unlikely to cause anything more than mild transient discomfort.

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 toxic, but further symptoms are not available. However, this product may be irritating to mucous membranes but is unlikely to cause anything more than transient discomfort.

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 3 - Composition/Information on Ingredients				
Ingredients	CAS No	Conc,%	TWA (mg/m³)	STEL (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )
Zinc phosphide	1314-84-7	25g/kg	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:** No first aid measures normally required. However, if inhalation has occurred, and irritation has developed, remove to fresh air and observe until recovered. If irritation becomes painful or persists more than about 30 minutes, seek medical advice.

**Skin Contact:** Gently brush away excess particles. Wash gently and thoroughly with water (use non-abrasive soap if necessary) for 5 minutes or until product is removed.

**Eye Contact:** Quickly and gently brush particles from eyes. No effects expected. If irritation does occur, flush contaminated eye(s) with lukewarm, gently flowing water for 5 minutes or until the product is removed. Obtain medical

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advice if irritation becomes painful or lasts more than a few minutes. Take special care if exposed person is wearing contact lenses.

**Ingestion:** If swallowed, do NOT induce vomiting; rinse mouth thoroughly with water and contact a Poisons Information Centre, or call a doctor at once. Give activated charcoal if instructed.

# **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 little risk of an explosion from this product if commercial quantities are involved in a fire.

Fire decomposition products from this product may be toxic if inhaled. Take appropriate protective measures. **Extinguishing Media:** In case of fire, use carbon dioxide, dry chemical. Avoid the use of water.

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

Flash point:	No data
Upper Flammability Limit:	No data.
Lower Flammability Limit:	No data.
Autoignition temperature:	No data.
Flammability Class:	No data.

#### 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 chemically resistant clothing including eye/face protection, gauntlets and self contained breathing apparatus. See below under Personal Protection regarding Australian Standards relating to personal protective equipment. Suitable materials for protective clothing include PVC, Viton. Eye/face protective equipment should comprise as a minimum, protective goggles. If there is a significant chance that dusts are likely to build up in cleanup area, we recommend that you use a suitable Dust Mask. Otherwise, not normally necessary.

Stop leak if safe to do so, and contain spill. Sweep up and shovel or collect recoverable product into labelled containers for recycling or salvage, and dispose of promptly. Consider vacuuming if appropriate. 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. Make sure that containers of this product are kept tightly closed. Keep containers dry and away from water. Keep containers of this product in a well ventilated area. Make sure that the product does not come into contact with substances listed under "Incompatibilities" in Section 10. 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.

However, for phosphine: 0.42 (0.3ppm)

1.4 (1ppm)

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:** This product should only be used in a well ventilated area. If natural ventilation is inadequate, use of a fan is suggested.

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**Eye Protection:** Eye protection such as protective glasses or goggles is recommended when product is being used. Skin Protection: You should avoid contact even with mild skin irritants. Therefore you should wear suitable impervious elbow-length gloves and facial protection when handling this product. See below for suitable types. Protective Material Types: We suggest that protective clothing be made from the following materials: PVC, Viton. **Respirator:** If there is a significant chance that dusts are likely to build up in the area where this product is being used, we recommend that you use a suitable Dust Mask. Otherwise, not normally necessary. 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:	Dark grey pellets.	
Odour:	Characteristic odour similar to garlic.	
Boiling Point:	Not applicable.	
Freezing/Melting Point:	Decomposes before melting.	
Volatiles:	No specific data. Expected to be low at 100°C.	
Vapour Pressure:	Negligible at normal ambient temperatures.	
Vapour Density:	Not applicable.	
Specific Gravity:	No data.	
Water Solubility:	Insoluble. Zinc phosphide reacts, liberating phosphine gas.	
pH:	No data.	
Volatility:	Negligible at normal ambient temperatures.	
Odour Threshold:	No data.	
Evaporation Rate:	Not applicable.	
Coeff Oil/water Distribution:	No data	
Viscosity:	Not applicable.	
Autoignition temp:	No data.	
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: Keep containers tightly closed. Containers should be kept dry. Keep containers and surrounding areas well ventilated.

#### Incompatibilities: water.

Fire Decomposition: Combustion forms carbon dioxide, and if incomplete, carbon monoxide and possibly smoke. Water is also formed. May form oxides of phosphorus and other phosphorus compounds. 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.	
Classification of Hazardous Ingredients		
Ingredient Zinc Phosphide	Risk Phrases >=1%Conc<7%: T; R25	
Section 12 - Ecological Information		
Very toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects to the aquatic environment.		
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**

**UN Number:** This product is not classified as a Dangerous Good by ADG, IATA or IMDG/IMSBC criteria. No special transport conditions are necessary unless required by other regulations.

## **Section 15 - Regulatory Information**

**AICS:** All of the significant ingredients in this formulation are compliant with NICNAS regulations. The following ingredient: Zinc phosphide, is mentioned in the SUSMP.

## **Section 16 - Other Information**

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

Acronyms:		
ADG Code	Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail (7 <sup>th</sup> edition)	
AICS	Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances	
SWA	Safe Work Australia, formerly ASCC and NOHSC	
CAS number	Chemical Abstracts Service Registry Number	
Hazchem Code	Emergency action code of numbers and letters that provide information to emergency	
	services especially firefighters	
IARC	International Agency for Research on Cancer	
NOS	Not otherwise specified	
NTP	National Toxicology Program (USA)	
R-Phrase	Risk Phrase	
SUSMP	Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines & Poisons	
UN Number	United Nations Number	
THIS SDS SUMMARISES OUR BEST KNOWLEDGE OF THE HEALTH AND SAFETY HAZARD 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.

This SDS is prepared in accord with the SWA document "Preparation of Safety Data Sheets for Hazardous Chemicals - Code of Practice" (December 2011)

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