

Monsanto Canada

Safety Data Sheet

Commercial Product

1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product name

R/T 540 Liquid Herbicide

PCP Reg. No.

28487

Product use

Herbicide

Chemical name

Not applicable.

Synonyms

None.

Company

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Emergency numbers

FOR CHEMICAL EMERGENCY, SPILL, LEAK, FIRE, EXPOSURE, OR ACCIDENT Call CANUTEC - Day or Night: 613-996-6666 (collect calls accepted) or MONSANTO: 314-694-4000 (collect calls accepted).

FOR MEDICAL EMERGENCY - Day or Night: +1 (314) 694-4000 (collect calls accepted).

2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Emergency overview

Appearance and odour (colour/form/odour): Amber - Brown / Liquid / Odourless

CAUTION!

POISON

HARMFUL IF SWALLOWED

HARMFUL IF INHALED

CAUSES SKIN IRRITATION

CAUSES EYE IRRITATION

Potential health effects

Likely routes of exposure

Skin contact, eye contact

Eye contact, short term

May cause temporary eye irritation.

Skin contact, short term

Irritating to skin.

Inhalation, short term

Harmful by inhalation.

Single ingestion

Harmful if swallowed.

Refer to section 11 for toxicological and section 12 for environmental information.

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Active ingredient

Potassium salt of N-(phosphonomethyl)glycine; {Potassium salt of glyphosate}

Composition

COMPONENT	CAS No.	% by weight (approximate)
Potassium salt of glyphosate	70901-12-1	49
Other ingredients		51

The specific chemical identity is being withheld because it is trade secret information of Monsanto Company.

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Use personal protection recommended in section 8.

Take container, label or product name and Pest Control Product Registration Number with you when seeking medical attention.

Eye contact

Hold eye open and rinse slowly and gently with water for 15-20 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present, after the first 5 minutes, then continue rinsing eye. Call a poison control centre or doctor for treatment advice.

Skin contact

Take off contaminated clothing. Rinse skin immediately with plenty of water for 15-20 minutes. Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice.

Inhalation

If inhaled, move person to fresh air. If person is not breathing, call emergency number or ambulance, then give artificial respiration, preferably mouth-to-mouth, if possible. Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice.

Ingestion

Call a poison control centre or doctor immediately for treatment advice. Do not induce vomiting unless told to do so by a poison control centre or doctor. Do not give any liquid to the person. Do not give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.

Advice to doctors

If this product is ingested, endotracheal intubation and gastric lavage should be performed as soon as possible.

Antidote

Treatment with atropine and oximes is not indicated.

5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES**Flash point**

Does not flash.

Extinguishing media

Recommended: Water, Foam, Dry chemical, Carbon dioxide (CO₂)

Unusual fire and explosion hazards

Minimise use of water to prevent environmental contamination.
Environmental precautions: see section 6.

Hazardous products of combustion

Carbon monoxide (CO), Phosphorus oxides (P_xO_y), Nitrogen oxides (NO_x)

Fire fighting equipment

Self-contained breathing apparatus.
Equipment should be thoroughly decontaminated after use.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Environmental precautions

SMALL QUANTITIES:

Low environmental hazard.

LARGE QUANTITIES:

Minimise spread.

Keep out of drains, sewers, ditches and water ways.

Methods for cleaning up

Absorb in earth, sand or absorbent material.

Dig up heavily contaminated soil.

Collect in containers for disposal.

Refer to section 7 for types of containers.

Flush residues with small quantities of water.

Minimise use of water to prevent environmental contamination.

Refer to section 13 for disposal of spilled material.

Use handling recommendations in Section 7 and personal protection recommendations in Section 8.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Good industrial practice in housekeeping and personal hygiene should be followed.

Handling

Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing.

Avoid breathing vapour or mist.

When using do not eat, drink or smoke.

Wash hands thoroughly after handling or contact.

Thoroughly clean equipment after use.

Do not contaminate drains, sewers and water ways when disposing of equipment rinse water.

Emptied containers retain vapour and product residue.

FOLLOW LABELLED WARNINGS EVEN AFTER CONTAINER IS EMPTIED.

Storage

Compatible materials for storage: stainless steel, Aluminium, fibreglass, plastic, glass lining

Incompatible materials for storage: galvanised steel, unlined mild steel, see section 10.

Keep out of reach of children.

Keep away from food, drink and animal feed.

Keep only in the original container.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Airborne exposure limits

Components	Exposure Guidelines
Potassium salt of glyphosate	No specific occupational exposure limit has been established.
Other ingredients	No specific occupational exposure limit has been established.

Engineering controls

No special requirement when used as recommended.

Eye protection

If there is significant potential for contact:
Wear chemical goggles.
Applicators and other handlers must wear eye protection.

Skin protection

Wear chemical resistant gloves.
Applicators and other handlers must wear:
Wear long sleeved shirt, long pants and shoes with socks.
If there is significant potential for contact:
Wear face shield.
Wear chemical resistant clothing/footwear.
Follow manufacturer's instructions for cleaning/maintaining Personal Protective Equipment.
If no such instructions for washables, use detergent and hot water.
Keep and wash personal protective equipment separately from other laundry.

Respiratory protection

No special requirement when used as recommended.
If airborne exposure is excessive:
Wear full facepiece/hood/helmet respirator.
Respiratory protection programs must comply with all local/regional/national regulations.

When recommended, consult manufacturer of personal protective equipment for the appropriate type of equipment for a given application.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

These physical data are typical values based on material tested but may vary from sample to sample. Typical values should not be construed as a guaranteed analysis of any specific lot or as specifications for the product.

Colour/colour range:	Amber - Brown
Odour:	Odourless
Form:	Liquid
Physical form changes (melting, boiling, etc.):	
Melting point:	Not applicable.
Boiling point:	No data.
Flash point:	Does not flash.
Explosive properties:	No explosive properties
Auto ignition temperature:	No data.
Specific gravity:	1.3522 20 °C / 15.6 °C
Vapour pressure:	No significant volatility; aqueous solution.
Vapour density:	Not applicable.
Evaporation rate:	No data.
Dynamic viscosity:	No data.
Kinematic viscosity:	No data.
Density:	No data.
Solubility:	Water: Completely miscible.
pH:	4.8 67.7 g/l
Partition coefficient:	log Pow: -3.2 @ 25 °C (Glyphosate)

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Stability

Stable under normal conditions of handling and storage.

Oxidizing properties

none

Materials to avoid/Reactivity

Reacts with galvanised steel or unlined mild steel to produce hydrogen, a highly flammable gas that could explode.

Hazardous decomposition

Thermal decomposition: Hazardous products of combustion: see section 5.

Self-accelerating decomposition temperature (SADT)

No data.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

This section is intended for use by toxicologists and other health professionals.

If available, data obtained on similar products and/or on components are summarized below.

Similar formulation

Acute oral toxicity

Rat, LD50: > 5,000 mg/kg body weight

Practically non-toxic.

Acute dermal toxicity

Rat, LD50: > 5,000 mg/kg body weight

Practically non-toxic.

Skin irritation

Rabbit, 3 animals, OECD 404 test:

Days to heal: 14

Primary Irritation Index (PII): 2.2/8.0

Moderate irritation.

Eye irritation

Rabbit, 3 animals, OECD 405 test:

Days to heal: 10

Moderate irritation.

Acute inhalation toxicity

Rat, LC50, 4 hours, aerosol: > 1.20 mg/L

Slightly toxic. No mortality. For purposes of the inhalation test, product was artificially aerosolized. Since this material will not become aerosolized to a hazardous concentration during transport, it is classified as non-hazardous under the transportation regulations in accordance with 2.6.2.2.4.7(b) and (c) of the UN Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods.

Skin sensitization

Guinea pig, 3-induction Buehler test:

Positive incidence: 0 %

N-(phosphonomethyl)glycine: {glyphosate acid}

Genotoxicity

Not genotoxic.

Carcinogenicity

Not carcinogenic in rats or mice.

Reproductive/Developmental Toxicity

Developmental effects in rats and rabbits only in the presence of significant maternal toxicity.
Reproductive effects in rats only in the presence of significant maternal toxicity.

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

This section is intended for use by ecotoxicologists and other environmental specialists.

If available, data obtained on similar products and/or on components are summarized below.

Similar formulation

Aquatic toxicity, fish

Rainbow trout (*Oncorhynchus mykiss*):

Acute toxicity, 96 hours, semi-static, LC50: 3.13 mg/L
Moderately toxic.

Aquatic toxicity, algae/aquatic plants

Green algae (*Selenastrum capricornutum*):

Acute toxicity, 72 hours, static, EbC50 (biomass): 0.124 mg/L
Highly toxic.

Arthropod toxicity

Honey bee (*Apis mellifera*):

Contact, 48 hours, LD50: > 250 µg/bee
Practically non-toxic.

Honey bee (*Apis mellifera*):

Oral, 48 hours, LD50: > 238.8 µg/bee
Practically non-toxic.

Soil organism toxicity, invertebrates

Earthworm (*Eisenia foetida*):

Acute toxicity, 14 days, LC50: > 10,000 mg/kg dry soil
Practically non-toxic.

Soil organism toxicity, microorganisms

Nitrogen and carbon transformation test:

40 L/ha, 28 days: Less than 25% effect on nitrogen or carbon transformation processes in soil.

Similar formulation

Aquatic toxicity, invertebrates

Water flea (*Daphnia magna*):

Acute toxicity, 48 hours, static, EC50: 8.0 mg/L
Moderately toxic.

N-(phosphonomethyl)glycine: {glyphosate acid}

Avian toxicity

Bobwhite quail (*Colinus virginianus*):

Dietary toxicity, 5 days, LC50: > 4,640 mg/kg diet
No more than slightly toxic.

Bobwhite quail (*Colinus virginianus*):

Acute oral toxicity, single dose, LD50: > 3,851 mg/kg body weight
Practically non-toxic.

Bioaccumulation

Bluegill sunfish (*Lepomis macrochirus*):

Whole fish: BCF: < 1

No significant bioaccumulation is expected.

Dissipation

Soil, field:

Half life: 2 - 174 days

Koc: 884 - 60,000 L/kg

Adsorbs strongly to soil.

Water, aerobic:

Half life: < 7 days

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Product

Keep out of drains, sewers, ditches and water ways.

Recycle if appropriate facilities/equipment available.

Burn in proper incinerator.

Follow all local/regional/national/international regulations.

Container

See the individual container label for disposal information.

Emptied containers retain vapour and product residue.

Observe all labeled safeguards until container is cleaned, reconditioned or destroyed.

Empty packaging completely.

Triple or pressure rinse empty containers.

Do NOT contaminate water when disposing of rinse waters.

Ensure packaging cannot be reused.

Do NOT re-use containers.

Store for collection by approved waste disposal service.

Recycle if appropriate facilities/equipment available.

Follow all local/regional/national/international regulations.

Use handling recommendations in Section 7 and personal protection recommendations in Section 8.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

The data provided in this section is for information only. Please apply the appropriate regulations to properly classify your shipment for transportation.

Not hazardous under the applicable TDG, ICAO/IATA, or IMDG regulations.

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

PCPA registered.

16. OTHER INFORMATION

The information given here is not necessarily exhaustive but is representative of relevant, reliable data.

Follow all local/regional/national/international regulations.

Please consult supplier if further information is needed.

In this document the British spelling was applied.

|| Significant changes versus previous edition.

Full denomination of most frequently used acronyms. BCF (Bioconcentration Factor), BOD (Biochemical Oxygen Demand), COD (Chemical Oxygen Demand), EC50 (50% effect concentration), ED50 (50% effect dose), I.M. (intramuscular), I.P. (intraperitoneal), I.V. (intravenous), Koc

(Soil adsorption coefficient), LC50 (50% lethality concentration), LD50 (50% lethality dose), LDLo (Lower limit of lethal dosage), LEL (Lower Explosion Limit), LOAEC (Lowest Observed Adverse Effect Concentration), LOAEL (Lowest Observed Adverse Effect Level), LOEC (Lowest Observed Effect Concentration), LOEL (Lowest Observed Effect Level), MEL (Maximum Exposure limit), MTD (Maximum Tolerated Dose), NOAEC (No Observed Adverse Effect Concentration), NOAEL (No Observed Adverse Effect Level), NOEC (No Observed Effect Concentration), NOEL (No Observed Effect Level), OEL (Occupational Exposure Limit), PEL (Permissible Exposure Limit), PII (Primary Irritation Index), Pow (Partition coefficient n-octanol/water), S.C. (subcutaneous), STEL (Short-Term Exposure Limit), STOT SE (Specific Target Organ Toxicity, Single Exposure), STOT RE (Specific Target Organ Toxicity, Repeated Exposure), TLV-C (Threshold Limit Value-Ceiling), TLV-TWA (Threshold Limit Value - Time Weighted Average), UEL (Upper Explosion Limit)

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