# Official Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS)

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# **ABLE WESTCHEM**

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### CLASSIFIED AS HAZARDOUS ACCORDING TO NOHSC CRITERIA

**IDENTIFICATION** 

Product name: CITRIC ACID
Product code: AC294

Use: Descaling; removing inorganic stains such as rust; pH control Supplier: Able Westchem, 273 Collier Road, Bayswater WA 6053

Contact person: Technical Manager

**Telephone:** (08) 9471 9111 (Monday to Friday from 8:00am – 4:30pm (UTC+08:00)) **Emergency:** In case of Poison Emergency in Australia please call 13 11 26 (24 hours).

HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

UN No: Not Allocated Hazchem Code: Not Relevant DG Class: Not Allocated Poisons Schedule: Not Allocated

Hazard: Irritant

Risk Phrase(s): Risk of serious eye damage Safety Phrase(s): Avoid contact with eyes.

In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek

medical advice.

Wear suitable gloves and eye/face protection

**INGREDIENTS** 

Chemical nameCAS No.ProportionCitric Acid[77-92-9]100 %

FIRST AID & HEALTH HAZARD INFORMATION

**Swallowed:** Rinse mouth out with water. Give water to drink. DO NOT induce vomiting.

Seek medical attention if necessary.

**Eye:** Hold eye open and flood with water for at least 15 minutes. Seek medical

attention.

**Skin:** Remove contaminated clothing. Wash skin thoroughly with soap and water.

Launder clothing before re-use. Seek medical advice if effects persist.

**Inhalation:** Remove patient to fresh air. Keep warm and at rest. Seek medical attention if

effects persist.

Advice to Doctor: Treat symptomatically.

FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Flammability: Combustible solid

**Extinguishing Media:** Use water fog or fine water spray to fight fires.

Hazards: Combustible solid, however, does not burn readily. Incompatible with strong

oxidising agents, alkalis, carbon steel and sources of ignition. On burning

will emit toxic fumes, including those of oxides of carbon.

Special precautions:

HAZCHEM: Not Relevant

#### **ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**





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**Emergency Procedures:** Method & Materials for:

cleanup

CAUTION - spillages are slippery.

Clean up immediately. Mop up, or use absorbent (soil, sand, sawdust, inert material, vermiculite). Collect and seal in properly labelled drums for disposal. Wash area down with excess water. Small spills may be diluted and washed to drain with water. Neutralise if necessary with dilute

bicarbonate of soda (e.g. Sodium Hydrogen Carbonate).

#### **HANDLING & STORAGE**

**Storage and Transport:** This product is not categorised as a dangerous good according to the

Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail

(ADG Code).

Other Information: None

#### **EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION**

No exposure standard has been established for this product by the Australian **Exposure standards:** 

> Safety and Compensation Council (ASCC). However, the exposure standard for dust not otherwise specified is 10mg/m3 (for inspirable dust) and 3mg/m3 (for respirable dust). NOTE: The exposure value at the TWA is the average airborne concentration of a particular substance when calculated over a normal 8 hour working day for a 5 day working week. These exposure standards are guides to be used in the control of occupational health hazards. All atmospheric contamination should be kept to as low a level as is workable. These exposure standards should not be used as fine dividing lines between

relative toxicity

**Engineering controls:** A system of local and/or general exhaust is recommended to keep employee

exposures as low as possible. Local exhaust ventilation is generally preferred

safe and dangerous concentrations of chemicals. They are not a measure of

because it can control the emissions of the contaminant at its source,

preventing dispersion of it into the general work area.

RESPIRATOR: Wear a P2 particulate respirator when handling this product Personal protection:

(AS1715/1716). EYES: Safety glasses with side shields (AS1336/1337). HANDS: Wear impervious rubber gloves (AS2161). CLOTHING: Long-

sleeved protective clothing and safety footwear (AS3765/2210).

#### PHYSICAL & CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Clear, translucent crystals; odourless Appearance and odour:

Solubility in water: Very soluble 150°C **Melting point:** Specific gravity:  $1.54 \pm 0.02$ Vapour pressure: Not determined pH (1% solution):  $2.5 \pm 0.5$ Flash point: Not applicable

#### STABILITY & REACTIVITY

Chemical stability: Stable

Conditions to avoid: Avoid exposure to heat, sources of ignition, exposure to moist air, sunlight,

exposure to open environment, open flame, dust generation and high temperatures. May deliquesce in moist air and may lump under certain pressures and under conditions of high temperature. The material may decompose and become yellow following extended exposure to the open

environment.









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Incompatible materials: Incompatible with strong oxidising agents, alkalis, carbon steel and sources

of ignition. The solution will very slowly corrode mild steel and soften

concrete.

Hazardous decompositon

Hazardous reactions:

products:

On burning will emit toxic fumes, including those of oxides of carbon

Hazardous polymerization will not occur. Reacts exothermically with alkalis.

#### TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Swallowed: No adverse effects expected, however, large amounts may cause nausea and

> vomiting. Swallowing may result in irritation to the mouth and throat. Frequent or large oral doses can cause tooth erosion. This product is a permitted food additive. Ingestion of a large amount may cause digestive tract irritation. A severe eye irritant. Contamination of eyes can result in permanent injury.

Eye:

Contact with skin may result in irritation Skin:

Breathing in dust may result in respiratory irritation with sore throat, coughing Inhalation:

and shortness of breath.

Chronic effects:

**Toxicity data:** Oral LD50 (rat): 3000 mg/kg. Oral LD50 (mice): 5040 mg/kg SKIN: Mild irritant

(rabbit). EYES: Severe irritant (rabbit).

#### **ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

**Ecotoxicity:** Not Determined

Persistence & Not persistent, 98% degraded after 7 days.

degradability:

Not determined Mobility:

#### **DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Dispose of in accordance with all local, state and federal regulations. All Disposal methods:

empty packaging should be disposed of in accordance with Local, State, and

Federal Regulations or recycled/reconditioned at an approved facility.

Sealed containers **Disposal containers:** 

Special precautions in

landfills or incineration:

None

#### TRANSPORT INFORMATION

**UN** number: Not Allocated Not Allocated **UN Proper shipping name:** Not Allocated Class & Subsidiary risk: **Packing Group:** Not Allocated Special precautions: Not Allocated **Hazchem Code:** Not Allocated

#### REGULATORY INFORMATION

**Regulatory Status** SUSDP Poison Schedule: Not scheduled

NOHSE (Worksafe): Hazardous in solid form



