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Product Name : **CHLORPYRIFOS 500EC Insecticide**

## 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

**Product Name** CHLORPYRIFOS 500EC Insecticide  
**Product Code** 1030  
**Product Type** Group 1B Insecticide  
**Company Name** NUFARM AUSTRALIA LIMITED. (ABN 80 004 377 780)  
**Address** 103-105 Pipe Road Laverton North  
Victoria 3026 Australia  
**Emergency Tel.** 1800 033 498 (24hr Australia)  
**Telephone/Fax Number** Tel: +61 3 9282-1000  
Fax: +61 3 9282-1001  
**Recommended Use** For control of a wide range of insect pests on fruit, vegetables, oilseeds, cotton, cereals, pasture, turf and other situations as specified in the Directions for Use Table on the label.  
THIS PRODUCT IS TOO HAZARDOUS FOR USE BY HOUSEHOLDERS.  
HOUSEHOLDERS MUST NOT USE THIS PRODUCT IN OR AROUND THE HOME.  
**Other Information** This MSDS describes, to the best of our knowledge, the properties of the concentrated product. The physical properties and some of the assessments do not apply to the properties of the product once it has been diluted for application. Acute health effects of the diluted product are likely to be much less severe.

## 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

**Hazard Classification** HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE.  
DANGEROUS GOODS.  
Hazard classification according to the criteria of NOHSC.  
Dangerous goods classification according to the Australia Dangerous Goods Code.  
**Risk Phrase(s)** R24/25 Toxic in contact with skin and if swallowed.  
R65 Harmful: may cause lung damage if swallowed.  
**Safety Phrase(s)** S28 After contact with skin, wash immediately with plenty of water  
S36/37 Wear suitable protective clothing and gloves.  
S45 In case of accident or if you feel unwell seek medical advice immediately  
S62 If swallowed, do not induce vomiting; seek medical advice immediately and show this container or label.  
**Other Information** Poisons Schedule S6

## 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

**Chemical Characterization** Liquid

<b>Ingredients</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>CAS</b>	<b>Proportion</b>
	Chlorpyrifos	2921-88-2	500 g/L
	Liquid Hydrocarbons	64742-94-5	480 g/L
	Other ingredients (considered non-hazardous)		Balance

**Substance Chemical Family** Organophosphate

## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

**Inhalation** Remove patient to fresh air and, if required, give one atropine tablet every five minutes until dryness of the mouth occurs.  
Obtain medical advice.

**Ingestion** If swallowed do NOT induce vomiting; seek medical advice immediately and show this container or label or contact the Poisons Information Centre on 13 11 26 (Aust). Make every effort to prevent vomit from entering the lungs by careful placement of the patient.  
The above first aid instructions are mandated by the Commonwealth Department



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of Health and Ageing via the National Drugs and Poisons Schedule. These instructions are suitable for ingestion of spray solution and small amounts of concentrate; however, if SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNTS of the concentrate have been swallowed (more than about one teaspoon) AND if medical assistance is more than 30 minutes away, the induction of vomiting should be CONSIDERED, preferably based on MEDICAL ADVICE if a physician can be contacted by phone. All care must be taken to prevent vomit from being inhaled. Do not give anything by mouth to a semi-conscious or unconscious person.

If product has been swallowed and symptoms are evident and medical assistance is not immediately available, give one atropine tablet (0.6 mg) every five minutes until dryness of the mouth occurs. Preferably, carry out treatment under the direction of medical advice obtained by phone.

**Skin** If poisoned by skin absorption, remove contaminated clothing, wash skin thoroughly with soap and water and give one atropine tablet every five minutes until dryness of the mouth occurs. Seek medical advice, but only after the exposed skin has been thoroughly washed.

**Eye** If in eyes, hold eyelids open and wash with copious amounts of water for at least 15 minutes. Seek medical advice.

**First Aid Facilities** If chlorpyrifos is regularly used, it may be wise to keep a supply of atropine tablets (0.6 mg) (check State Regulations). If poisoning occurs, contact a doctor or the Poisons Information Centre (Australia) on 13 11 26.

**Advice to Doctor** An anticholinesterase compound. If the material is dissolved in solvents, e.g., petroleum solvents, vomiting may cause pulmonary aspiration. Instead, the stomach should be emptied as soon as possible by careful gastric lavage (using a cuffed endotracheal tube already in place). Artificial respiration should be started at the first sign of respiratory failure. Cautious administration of fluids is advised, as well as general supportive and symptomatic pharmacological treatment and absolute rest. As early as possible, administer 2 mg of atropine sulfate i.v. and 1000-2000 mg of pralidoxime chloride or 250 mg of obidoxime chloride (adult dose) i.v. to patients suffering from severe respiratory difficulties, convulsions, and unconsciousness. Repeated doses of 2 mg of atropine sulfate should be given, as required, based on the respiration, blood pressure, pulse frequency, salivation, and convulsion conditions. The dose and the frequency of atropine varies with each patient, but the patient should remain fully atropinised (signs include dilated pupils, dry mouth, skin flushing). Diazepam should be given in all but the mildest cases in doses of 10 mg, s.c. or i.v., which may be repeated as required. For children, the doses are 0.04-0.08 mg of atropine/kg body weight, 250 mg of pralidoxime chloride per child, or 4-8 mg of obidoxime chloride/kg body weight. Morphine, barbiturates, phenothiazine derivatives, tranquillizers, and all kinds of central stimulants are contraindicated.

## 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

**Suitable Extinguishing Media** Water fog, foam, carbon dioxide or dry chemical.

**Hazards from Combustion Products** May emit toxic fumes of hydrogen chloride or phosgene if involved in fires or exposed to extreme heat.

**Special Protective Equipment for fire fighters** Breathable air apparatus may have to be worn if material is involved in fires especially in confined spaces.

**Hazchem Code** 2W

**Emergency Action in case of Fire** If exposed to fire, keep container cool by spraying with water.

**Other Information** Hazchem code 2W .  
Prevent fire water from entering drains or water bodies.

## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES



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<b>Spills &amp; Disposal</b>	Contain spill and absorb with clay, sand, soil or proprietary absorbent (such as vermiculite). Collect spilled material and waste in sealable open-top type containers for disposal. Dispose of at a landfill in accordance with local regulations. If possible, ring 1800 033 498 for specialist advice.
<b>Personal Protection</b>	For appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE), refer Section 8.
<b>Clean-up Methods - Large Spillages</b>	Place damaged containers in recovery bins (if available) and return to manufacturer.
<b>Environmental Precautions</b>	Prevent from entering drains, waterways or sewers.

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## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

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<b>Conditions for Safe Storage</b>	Store in the closed, original container in a cool, well ventilated area. Do not store for prolonged periods in direct sunlight. Keep container tightly sealed and do not store with seed, fertilisers or foodstuffs.
<b>Other Information</b>	Always read the label and any attached leaflet before use.

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## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

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<b>National Exposure Standards</b>	No biological exposure limit allocated. NOHSC has set the following exposure standard for chlorpyrifos : TLV (TWA) 0.2 mg/m <sup>3</sup> , STEL -. SK 'SK' notice - absorption through the skin may be a significant source of exposure. The exposure standard is invalidated if such contact should occur. The manufacturer of the solvent has recommended an occupational exposure limit of 100 mg/m <sup>3</sup> ; 17ppm TWA, as total hydrocarbon.
<b>Engineering Controls</b>	Handle in well ventilated areas, generally natural ventilation is adequate.
<b>Respiratory Protection</b>	If exposure to vapour or spray is expected, a half face respirator with cartridge type A is recommended.
<b>Personal Protective Equipment</b>	When opening the container, preparing spray and using the prepared spray wear cotton overalls buttoned to the neck and wrist and a washable hat, elbow-length PVC gloves and face shield or goggles. Wear impervious footwear such as plastic or rubber boots. Re-entry period: Do not enter treated area until spray has dried.
<b>Hygiene Measures</b>	After use and before eating, drinking or smoking, wash hands, arms and face thoroughly with soap and water. After each day's use, wash contaminated clothing and safety equipment.
<b>Requirements Concerning Special Training</b>	NSW regulations require that people who use pesticides in their job or business must have training in the application of the materials.

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## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

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<b>Form</b>	Liquid
<b>Appearance</b>	Straw coloured liquid.
<b>Melting Point</b>	<0°C
<b>Boiling Point</b>	>150°C
<b>Solubility in Water</b>	Forms an emulsion in water.
<b>Specific Gravity</b>	1.09 - 1.11
<b>pH Value</b>	neutral
<b>Vapour Pressure</b>	2.7 mPa @ 25°C for chlorpyrifos
<b>Vapour Density (Air=1)</b>	>1
<b>Volatile Component</b>	40 - 50%
<b>Surface Tension</b>	26.6 mN/M



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**Flash Point** 68°C (PMCC - AS2106)  
**Flammability** Combustible liquid. The spray mixture is not combustible.  
**Flammable Limits - Lower** 0.6% v/v for solvent  
**Flammable Limits - Upper** 7.0% v/v for solvent  
**Kinematic Viscosity** 4.56 x 10<sup>-6</sup> m<sup>2</sup>/sec

## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**Incompatible Materials** Avoid contact of the concentrate with strong alkalis and alkaline materials such as lime.  
Avoid contact of the concentrate with strong acids.  
**Hazardous Reactions** Keep away from strong oxidising agents, may react violently.  
**Hazardous Polymerization** Hazardous polymerisation is not possible.

## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Toxicology Information** No harmful effects are expected if the precautions on the label and this MSDS are followed.  
**Inhalation** When applying the product as a spray avoid breathing in spray mist.  
Breathing in high concentrations of vapour can produce central nervous system depression, which can lead to loss of coordination, impaired judgement and if exposure is prolonged, unconsciousness.  
**Ingestion** Possible symptoms of exposure include: nausea, vomiting and central nervous system depression.  
If aspirated into the lung, e.g. from vomiting, the presence of solvent may result in chemical pneumonitis or pulmonary oedema.  
**Skin** The rate of absorption for chlorpyrifos is low hence, the product is moderately toxic by this route.  
Prolonged contact with the concentrate can cause defatting of the skin and may result in dermatitis.  
**Eye** The concentrate may cause irritation of the eyes.  
**Chronic Effects** Regular exposure may result in lowering of cholinesterase activity which will recover within a few days after exposure ceases.  
**Reproductive Toxicity** Data indicates no reproductive effects.  
Data indicates no teratogenic effects.  
**Carcinogenicity** Data indicates no carcinogenic effects.  
**Acute Toxicity - Oral** LD50 (male rat) 345 mg/kg for a similar formulation  
LD50 (female rat) 230 mg/kg for a similar formulation  
LD50 (rat) 135 - 163 mg/kg for chlorpyrifos  
LD50 (guinea pig) 504 mg/kg for chlorpyrifos  
LD50 (rabbit) 1000 - 2000 mg/kg for chlorpyrifos  
**Acute Toxicity - Dermal** LD50 (rat) 409 mg/kg for a similar formulation  
LD50 (rat) >2000 mg/kg for chlorpyrifos  
LD50 (rabbit) >5000 mg/kg for chlorpyrifos  
**Acute Toxicity - Inhalation** LC50 (rat) (4hr) >0.2 mg/l for chlorpyrifos  
**Skin Sensitisation** Product is not a skin sensitiser.  
**Other Information** The Australian Acceptable Daily Intake (ADI) for chlorpyrifos for a human is 0.003 mg/kg/day, set for the public for daily, lifetime exposure. This is based on the NOEL of 0.03 mg/kg/day, the level determined to show no effects during long term exposure for the most sensitive indicators and the most sensitive species. (Ref: Comm. Dept. of Health and Ageing, 'ADI List', TGA, December 2004).

## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION



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Product Name : **CHLORPYRIFOS 500EC Insecticide**

**Persistence / Degradability** Average field half life of chlorpyrifos is 33 - 56 days.

**Known Harmful Effects on the Environment** The product is a marine pollutant for sea transport.

**Other Precautions** Do not contaminate dams, waterways or sewers with this product or the containers which have held this product.  
Do not spray on vegetation where honeybees are foraging.

**Environ. Protection** Spray drift should be avoided, read the label for more information.

**Acute Toxicity - Fish** The following is data for the active ingredient, chlorpyrifos.  
LC50 (96 hr) for bluegill sunfish is 0.002 - 0.010 mg/l.  
LC50 (96 hr) for rainbow trout is 0.007 - 0.051 mg/l.  
Very toxic to fish.

**Acute Toxicity - Daphnia** LC50 (48hr) for chlorpyrifos is 0.0017 mg/l.

**Acute Toxicity - Other Organisms** Moderately toxic to birds.  
LD50 for mallard ducks is 490 mg/kg  
Bees: Toxic to bees. LD50 is 0.07 µg/bee.

## 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

**Product Disposal** Ideally, the product should be used for its intended purpose. If there is a need to dispose of the product, approach local authorities who hold periodic collections of unwanted chemicals (ChemClear®).  
On site disposal of the concentrated product is not acceptable.

**Container Disposal** Do not use this container for any other purpose.  
Triple rinse containers, add rinsate to the spray tank, then offer the container for recycling/reconditioning, or puncture top, sides and bottom and dispose of in landfill in accordance with local regulations.  
drumMUSTER is the national program for the collection and recycling of empty, cleaned, non returnable crop production and on-farm animal health chemical containers. If the label on your container carries the drumMuster symbol, triple rinse the container, ring your local Council, and offer the container for collection in the program.  
If no landfill is available, bury the containers below 500mm in a disposal pit specifically marked and set up for this purpose clear of waterways, desirable vegetation and tree roots.  
Empty containers and product should not be burnt.

## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

**Transport Information** It is good practice to separate this product from food, food related materials, animal feedstuffs, seed or fertilisers during transport.

**U.N. Number** 3018

**Proper Shipping Name** ORGANOPHOSPHORUS PESTICIDE, LIQUID, TOXIC - (CHLORPYRIFOS)

**DG Class** 6.1

**Hazchem Code** 2W

**Packaging Method** 3.8.6

**Packing Group** III

**Storage and Transport** Considered dangerous for transport by the Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail.

**EPG Number** 6A3

**IERG Number** 35

## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

**Poisons Schedule** S6



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<b>National and or International Regulatory Information</b>	There is a legislative requirement in most States in Australia for workers to be medically monitored when using organophosphates, by:- 'estimation of red cell and plasma cholinesterase activity towards the end of the day on which organophosphates have been used'. Ref: Control of Workplace Hazardous Substances, NOHSC:1005.
<b>Packaging &amp; Labelling</b>	POISON KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN READ SAFETY DIRECTIONS BEFORE OPENING OR USING
<b>Hazard Category</b>	Toxic
<b>AICS (Australia)</b>	All of the components in this product are listed on the Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances.

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## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

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<b>Contact Person/Point</b>	Normal Hours: Mr Volker Maier                      Phone: +61 3 9282 1000 After Hours: Shift Supervisor                      Phone: 1800 033 498
<b>Revisions Highlighted</b>	The MSDS was reviewed. Minor changes were made to the information. Updated format of 16 section MSDS used. ...End Of MSDS...