

# WELLFARM FLUROXYPYR 200 EC HERBICIDE

APVMA Product No: 70149  
Poison Schedule: 0

**Emergency Telephone Number:**

The Australian Poisons Information Centre: Dial 13 11 26 (from anywhere in Australia)  
Specialist Advice In An Emergency Only 1800 033 111 All Hours Australia Wide  
In A Transport Emergency Dial 000 Police Or Fire Brigade

## 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE / PREPARATION AND THE COMPANY

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**Product Name:** WELLFARM FLUROXYPYR 200 EC HERBICIDE  
**Chemical Nature:** Fluroxypyr is an aryloxyalkanoic acid derivative.  
**Product Use:** A herbicide for the control of a wide range of broadleaf weeds in fallow, lucerne, maize, millets, pastures, sorghum, sugarcane, sweet corn, winter cereals. Also for the control of woody weeds in agricultural non-crop areas, commercial and industrial areas, pastures and rights-of-way.

## 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

**Statement of Hazardous Nature**

This product is classified as: Hazardous according to the criteria of ASCC.  
Not a Dangerous Good according to the Australian Dangerous Goods (ADG) Code. However, this is a C1 Combustible Liquid and for storage meets the definition of Dangerous Goods.

**Risk Phrases:** R65. Harmful: May cause lung damage if swallowed.

**Safety Phrases:** S45, S24/25, S46. In case of accident or if you feel unwell, contact a doctor or Poisons Information Centre immediately (show this MSDS where possible). Avoid contact with skin and eyes. If swallowed, contact a doctor or Poisons Information Centre immediately and show this MSDS or label.

**SUSDP Classification:** S5

**ADG Classification:** None allocated. Not a Dangerous Good under the ADG Code.

**UN Number:** None allocated.

## 3. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Ingredients	CAS No	Conc.	TWA (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	STEL (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )
Fluroxypyr methylheptyl ester	81406-37-3	200 g/L	not set	not set
Aromatic hydrocarbons	64742-94-5	586 g/L	not set	not set
Other non hazardous ingredients	secret	<100 g/L	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.

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## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

**Consult the Poisons Information Centre (13 11 26) or a doctor in every case of suspected chemical poisoning. Never give fluids or induce vomiting if a patient is unconscious or convulsing regardless of cause of injury. If breathing difficulties occur seek medical attention immediately.**

- Inhalation:** First aid is not generally required. If in doubt, contact a Poisons Information Centre or a doctor.
- Skin Contact:** Wash gently and thoroughly with water (use non-abrasive soap if necessary) for 5 minutes or until chemical is removed.
- Eye Contact:** 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 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. Wash mouth with water and contact a Poisons Information Centre, or call a doctor.

## 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

**Fire & Explosion Hazards:** This product is classified as a C1 combustible product. There is no risk of an explosion from this product under normal circumstances if it is involved in a fire. Violent steam generation or eruption may occur upon application of direct water stream on hot liquids. Fire decomposition products from this product are likely to be toxic and corrosive if inhaled. Take appropriate protective measures.

**Extinguishing Media:** Preferred extinguishing media are carbon dioxide, dry chemical, foam, water fog.

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

**Flash point:** 67°C (Pensky Martin closed cup)

**Upper Flammability Limit:** No data

**Lower Flammability Limit:** No data

**Autoignition temperature:** No data

**Flammability Class:** C1

## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

**Accidental release:** In the event of a major spill, prevent spillage from entering drains or water courses. As a minimum, wear overalls, goggles and gloves. Suitable materials for protective clothing include rubber, PVC. Eye/face protective equipment should comprise as a minimum, protective glasses and, preferably, goggles. If there is a significant chance that vapours or mists are likely to build up in the cleanup area, we recommend that you use a respirator. Usually, no respirator is necessary when using this product. However, if you have any doubts consult the Australian Standard mentioned below (section 8). Stop leak if safe to do so, and contain spill. Absorb onto sand, vermiculite or other suitable absorbent material.

If spill is too large or if absorbent material is not available, try to create a dike to stop material spreading or going into drains or waterways. Sweep up and shovel or collect recoverable product into labelled containers for recycling or salvage and dispose of promptly. 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 MSDS 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.

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## 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 MSDS 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:** Note that this product is combustible and therefore, for Storage, meets the definition of Dangerous Goods in some states. If you store large quantities (tonnes) of such products, we suggest that you consult your state's Dangerous Goods authority in order to clarify your obligations regarding their storage. Store in the closed original container in a dry, cool, well-ventilated area out of direct sunlight. Make sure that the product does not come into contact with substances listed under "Incompatibilities" in Section 10. Some liquid preparations settle or separate on standing and may require stirring before use. Check packaging - there may be further storage instructions on the label.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

The following Australian Standards will provide general advice regarding safety clothing and equipment: Respiratory equipment: **AS/NZS 1715**, Protective Gloves: **AS 2161**, Industrial Clothing: **AS2919**, Industrial Eye Protection: **AS1336** and **AS/NZS 1337**, Occupational Protective Footwear: **AS/NZS2210**. **ASCC Exposure limits:** Exposure limits have not been established by ASCC for any of the significant ingredients in this product.

The ADI for Fluroxypyr methylheptyl ester is set at 0.2mg/kg/day. The corresponding NOEL is set at 20mg/kg/day. ADI means Acceptable Daily Intake and NOEL means No-observable-effect-level. Values taken from Australian ADI List, Dec 2005.

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:** No special ventilation requirements are normally necessary for this product. However make sure that the work environment remains clean and that vapours and mists are minimised.

**Eye Protection:** Eye protection such as protective glasses or goggles is recommended when this 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 material types.

**Protective Material Types:** We suggest that protective clothing be made from the following materials: rubber, PVC.

**Respirator:** Usually, no respirator is necessary when using this product. However, if you have any doubts consult the Australian Standard mentioned above.

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

<b>Physical Description &amp; colour:</b>	Brown to black coloured liquid
<b>Odour:</b>	Characteristic hydrocarbon odour
<b>Boiling Point:</b>	Not available
<b>Freezing/Melting Point:</b>	No specific data. Liquid at normal temperatures.
<b>Volatiles:</b>	No specific data. Expected to be low at 100°C.
<b>Vapour Pressure:</b>	135x10 <sup>-3</sup> mPa (Fluroxypyr methylheptyl ester)
<b>Vapour Density:</b>	No data
<b>Specific Gravity:</b>	0.98 approx at 20°C
<b>Water Solubility:</b>	Emulsifiable.
<b>pH:</b>	No data
<b>Volatility:</b>	No data
<b>Odour Threshold:</b>	No data
<b>Evaporation Rate:</b>	No data
<b>Coeff Oil/water Distribution:</b>	No data

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## 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:** Store in the closed original container in a dry, cool, well-ventilated area out of direct sunlight.

**Incompatibilities:** strong oxidising agents.

**Fire Decomposition:** Carbon dioxide, and if combustion is incomplete, carbon monoxide and smoke. Nitrogen and its compounds, and under some circumstances, oxides of nitrogen. Occasionally hydrogen cyanide gas in reducing atmospheres. Hydrogen chloride gas, other compounds of chlorine. Hydrogen fluoride gas and other compounds of fluorine. Water. 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.

## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Toxicity:** Acute toxicity. Fluroxypyr MHE has low acute toxicity. The rat oral LD50 is >5000 mg/kg, the rabbit dermal LD50 is >2000 mg/kg, and the rat inhalation LC50 is >1.0 mg/l, the maximum attainable concentration. Fluroxypyr MHE is not a skin sensitizer in guinea pigs, has no dermal irritation in rabbits, and shows mild ocular irritation in rabbits.

**Genotoxicity** studies show a lack of genotoxicity.

**Reproductive and developmental toxicity.** Studies show that Fluroxypyr and Fluroxypyr MHE are not teratogenic nor will they interfere with in utero development.

**Subchronic toxicity.** Fluroxypyr MHE showed a NOEL of 1,000 mg/ kg/day in a 90-day rat dietary study and a 21- day rabbit dermal study. Ninety day feeding studies with Fluroxypyr showed NOELs of 80 mg/kg/day (Wistar rats), 700 mg/kg/day (Fischer 344 rats), 1342 mg/kg/day (male mice), and 1,748 mg/kg/day (female mice). In a 4-week dietary, range finding study with Fluroxypyr in dogs the NOEL was >50 mg/kg/day.

**Chronic toxicity.** NOELs found in chronic dietary studies are as follows: 150 mg/kg/day (dog), 300 mg/kg/day (mouse), 80 mg/kg/day (Wistar rats), 100 mg/kg/day (male Fischer 344 rats), and 500 mg/kg/day (female Fischer 344 rats).

**Animal metabolism.** Studies show that Fluroxypyr MHE is rapidly hydrolysed and the fate of the hydrolysis products, Fluroxypyr and 1-methylheptanol, are independent of whether they were given as the ester or the acid. Fluroxypyr, per se, was extensively absorbed and rapidly excreted principally unchanged in the urine. 1-Methylheptanol also was rapidly absorbed and rapidly eliminated. Repeated administration of Fluroxypyr MHE was not associated with accumulation in tissues. Also, the metabolism and pharmacokinetics of methylheptanol are comparable to that of the methylheptyl portion of Fluroxypyr MHE.

**Carcinogenicity.** There was no evidence of carcinogenicity in an 18-month mouse feeding study and a 24-month rat feeding study at all dosages tested. The NOELs shown in the mouse and rat oncogenicity studies were 1,000 and 320 mg/ kg/day, respectively.

## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Harmful to aquatic organisms. Not toxic: birds and bees.

Soil Mobility: Moderately mobile (Fluroxypyr)

Soil Persistence/degradability: The product is not persistent.

Half-life time (t1/2): 5-9 days (Fluroxypyr), < 7 days (Fluroxypyr- methylheptyl)

Degradation is primarily via: microorganisms (Fluroxypyr) and hydrolysis (Fluroxypyr-methylheptyl)

Water: DT50 = 1-3 days (Fluroxypyr-methyl)

**Ecotoxicity:** Fish Fluroxypyr

LC50 (96 hours) rainbow trout > 100 mg/L, golden orfe > 100 mg/L , rainbow trout > 0.9 mg/L,

solubility limit (Fluroxypyr-meptyl) golden orfe > 0.9 mg/L, solubility limit Daphnia magna: EC50 (48

hours) > 100 mg/L (Fluroxypyr) > 0.9 mg/L, solubility limit (Fluroxypyr- methylheptyl) Green algae: EC50 (96 hours) > 100 mg/L (Fluroxypyr) > 0.9 mg/L, solubility limit (Fluroxypyr- methylheptyl)

Birds: Bobwhite quail LD50 > 2,000 mg/kg (Fluroxypyr- methylheptyl & Fluroxypyr) Mallard duck

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Bees: Oral LD50 > 100µg/bee (Fluroxypyr- methylheptyl), Contact LD50 > 100µg/bee (Fluroxypyr-

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methylheptyl) Contact LD50 > 25µg/bee (Fluroxypyr)

## 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

**Disposal:** There are many pieces of legislation covering waste disposal and they differ in each state and territory, so each user must refer to laws operating in their area. In some areas, certain wastes must be tracked. The Hierarchy of Controls seems to be common - the user should investigate: Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle and only if all else fails should disposal be considered. Note that properties of a product may change in use, so that the following suggestions may not always be appropriate. The following may help you in properly addressing this matter for this product. 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.

## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

**ADG Code:** This product is not classified as a Dangerous Good. No special transport conditions are necessary unless required by other regulations.

## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

**AICS:** All of the significant ingredients in this formulation are compliant with NICNAS regulations. The following ingredients: Aromatic hydrocarbons, are mentioned in the SUSDP.  
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## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

All information contained in this document is as accurate as possible based on information submitted by raw material suppliers. Wellfarm Pty Ltd will NOT be responsible for any damages that may result from reliance on the information contained herein.

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