



SAFETY DATA SHEET

pH DOWN — PREMIUM pH ACIDIFIER

1. IDENTIFICATION

Product name : pH Down
Chemical family : Inorganic minerals in aqueous solution
Material uses : Hydroponic plant nutrient
Supplier/Manufacturer : Emerald Harvest
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2. HAZARD(S) IDENTIFICATION

Emergency Overview

Physical State : Liquid
Color : Clear
Odor : Not available
Signal Word : Danger
Hazard statements : Causes respiratory tract, eye and skin burns.
Precautionary measures : Avoid contact with eyes. Wash thoroughly after handling.
OSHA/HCS statues : This material is considered hazardous by the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200).
Routes of entry : Dermal contact. Eye contact. Inhalation. Ingestion.

Potential acute health effects

Inhalation : Corrosive to the respiratory system. Exposure to decomposition products may cause a health hazard. Serious effects may be delayed following exposure.
Ingestion : Harmful if swallowed. May cause burns to mouth, throat and stomach..
Skin : Corrosive to the skin. Causes burns.
Eyes : Corrosive to eyes. Causes burns.

Potential chronic health effects

Chronic effects : Contains material that may cause target organ damage, based on animal data.
Carcinogenicity : No known significant effects or critical hazards.
Mutagenicity : No known significant effects or critical hazards.
Teratogenicity : No known significant effects or critical hazards.
Developmental effects : No known significant effects or critical hazards.
Fertility effects : No known significant effects or critical hazards.



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Target Organs : Contains material which may cause damage to the following organs:
upper respiratory tract, skin, eye, lens or cornea.

Over-exposure signs/symptoms

Inhalation : Adverse symptoms may include the following: respiratory tract irritation coughing.

Ingestion : Adverse symptoms may include the following: stomach pains

Skin : Adverse symptoms may include the following: pain or irritation redness blistering may occur

Eyes : Adverse symptoms may include the following: pain watering redness

Medical conditions aggravated by overexposure : Pre-existing disorders involving any target organs mentioned in this SDS as being at risk may be aggravated by over-exposure to this product.

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Name	CAS number	%
Phosphoric Acid	7664-38-2	40 - 45

There are no additional ingredients present which, within the current knowledge of the supplier and in the concentrations applicable, are classified as hazardous to health or the environment and hence require reporting in this section.

4. FIRST-AID MEASURES

Eye contact : Check for and remove any contact lenses. Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 20 minutes, occasionally lifting the upper and lower eyelids. Get medical attention immediately.

Skin contact : In case of contact, immediately flush skin with plenty of water for at least 20 minutes while removing contaminated clothing and shoes. Wash clothing before reuse. Clean shoes thoroughly before reuse. Get medical attention immediately.

Inhalation : In case of contact, immediately flush skin with plenty of water for at least 20 minutes while removing contaminated clothing and shoes. Wash clothing before reuse. Clean shoes thoroughly before reuse. Get medical attention immediately.

Ingestion : Wash out mouth with water. Do not induce vomiting unless directed to do so by medical personnel. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Get medical attention immediately.

Protection of first-aiders : No action shall be taken involving any personal risk or without suitable training. It may be dangerous to the person providing aid to give mouth-to-mouth resuscitation.

Notes to physician : No specific treatment. Treat symptomatically. Contact poison treatment specialist immediately if large quantities have been ingested or inhaled.

5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

Flammability of the product : Not flammable

Extinguishing media

Suitable : Use extinguishing agent suitable for surrounding fire.

- Not suitable** : None known
- Special exposure hazards** : No special precaution is required
- Hazardous thermal decomposition products** : Decomposition products may include the following materials: sulfur oxides, phosphorus oxides, metal oxide/oxides
- Special protective equipment for fire-fighters** : Fire-fighters should wear appropriate protective equipment and self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) with a full face-piece operated in positive pressure mode.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

- Personal precautions** : No action shall be taken involving any personal risk or without suitable training. Evacuate surrounding areas. Do not touch or walk through spilled material. Avoid breathing vapor or mist. Provide adequate ventilation. Wear appropriate respirator when ventilation is inadequate. Put on appropriate personal protective equipment (see Section 8).
- Environmental precautions** : Avoid dispersal of spilled material and runoff and contact with soil, waterways, drains and sewers. Inform the relevant authorities if the product has caused environmental pollution (sewers, waterways, soil or air).
- Methods for cleaning up** :
- Small spill** : Stop leak if without risk. Move containers from spill area. Dilute with water and mop up if water-soluble. Alternatively, or if water-insoluble, absorb with an inert dry material and place in an appropriate waste disposal container. Dispose of via a licensed waste disposal contractor.
- Large spill** : Stop leak if without risk. Move containers from spill area. Approach release from upwind. Prevent entry into sewers, water courses, basements or confined areas. Wash spillages into an effluent treatment plant or proceed as follows. Contain and collect spillage with non-combustible, absorbent material e.g. sand, earth, vermiculite or diatomaceous earth and place in container for disposal according to local regulations (see Section 13). Dispose of via a licensed waste disposal contractor. Contaminated absorbent material may pose the same hazard as the spilled product. Note: see Section 1 for emergency contact information and Section 13 for waste disposal.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

- Handling** : Put on appropriate personal protective equipment (see Section 8). Eating, drinking and smoking should be prohibited in areas where this material is handled, stored and processed. Workers should wash hands and face before eating, drinking and smoking. Remove contaminated clothing and protective equipment before entering eating areas. Do not ingest. Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Avoid breathing vapor or mist. Keep in the original container or an approved alternative made from a compatible material, kept tightly closed when not in use. Empty containers retain product residue and can be hazardous. Do not reuse container.
- Storage** : Store in accordance with local regulations. Store in original container

protected from direct sunlight in a dry, cool and well-ventilated area, away from incompatible materials (see Section 10) and food and drink. Keep container tightly closed and sealed until ready for use. Containers that have been opened must be carefully resealed and kept upright to prevent leakage. Do not store in unlabeled containers. Use appropriate containment to avoid environmental contamination.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Exposure limits: Phosphoric Acid

ACGIH TLV (United States, 3/2012). STEL: 3 mg/m³ 15 minutes. TWA: 1 mg/m³ 8 hours.

NIOSH REL (United States, 6/2009). STEL: 3 mg/m³ 15 minutes. TWA: 1 mg/m³ 10 hours.

OSHA PEL (United States, 6/2010). TWA: 1 mg/m³ 8 hours.

OSHA PEL 1989 (United States, 3/1989). TWA: 1 mg/m³ 8 hours. STEL: 3 mg/m³ 15 minutes.

- Recommended monitoring procedures** : If this product contains ingredients with exposure limits, personal, workplace atmosphere or biological monitoring may be required to determine the effectiveness of the ventilation or other control measures and/or the necessity to use respiratory protective equipment. Reference should be made to appropriate monitoring standards. Reference to national guidance documents for methods for the determination of hazardous substances will also be required.
- Engineering measures** : No special ventilation requirements. Good general ventilation should be sufficient to control worker exposure to airborne contaminants. If this product contains ingredients with exposure limits, use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation or other engineering controls to keep worker exposure below any recommended or statutory limits.
- Hygiene measures** : Wash hands, forearms and face thoroughly after handling chemical products, before eating, smoking and using the lavatory and at the end of the working period. Appropriate techniques should be used to remove potentially contaminated clothing. Wash contaminated clothing before reusing. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.
- Personal protection**
- Respiratory** : Use a properly fitted, air-purifying or supplied air respirator complying with an approved standard if a risk assessment indicates this is necessary. Respirator selection must be based on known or anticipated exposure levels, the hazards of the product and the safe working limits of the selected respirator.
- Hands** : Chemical-resistant, impervious gloves complying with an approved standard should be worn at all times when handling chemical products if a risk assessment indicates this is necessary. Considering the parameters specified by the glove manufacturer, check during use that the gloves are still retaining their protective properties. It should be noted that the time to breakthrough for any glove material may be different for different glove manufacturers. In the case of mixtures, consisting of several substances, the protection time of the gloves cannot be accurately estimated.
- Eyes** : Safety eyewear complying with an approved standard should be used

when a risk assessment indicates this is necessary to avoid exposure to liquid splashes, mists or dusts. If contact is possible, the following protection should be worn, unless the assessment indicates a higher degree of protection: chemical splash goggles.

- Skin** : Personal protective equipment for the body should be selected based on the task being performed and the risks involved and should be approved by a specialist before handling this product.
- Environmental exposure controls** : Emissions from ventilation or work process equipment should be checked to ensure they comply with the requirements of environmental protection legislation. In some cases, fume scrubbers, filters or engineering modifications to the process equipment will be necessary to reduce emissions to acceptable levels.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

- Physical state** : Liquid
- Color** : Clear
- Odor** : Odorless
- pH** : 2
- Melting/freezing point** : -8°C (17.6°F)
- Relative density** : 1.1
- Solubility** : Soluble

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

- Chemical stability** : stable
- Conditions to avoid** : Not available
- Incompatible materials** : Reactive or incompatible with the following materials: oxidizing materials, acids and alkalis.
- Hazardous decomposition products** : Not available
- Possibility of hazardous reactions** : Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous reactions will not occur.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute toxicity

Product/ingredient name	Result	Species	Dose	Exposure
Phosphoric acid	LD50 Oral	rat	1.25 g/kg	

Chronic Toxicity

Irritation/Corrosion

- Skin** : No data available
- Eyes** : No data available
- Respiratory** : No data available



Sensitizer

Skin : No data available
 Respiratory : No data available

Carcinogenicity

There is no data available.

Mutagenicity

There is no data available.

Teratogenicity

There is no data available.

Reproductive toxicity

There is no data available.

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Aquatic ecotoxicity

Product/ingredient	Result	Species	Exposure
None			

Persistence/degradability

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS




Waste disposal :

The generation of waste should be avoided or minimized wherever possible. Disposal of this product, solutions and any by-products should comply with the requirements of environmental protection and waste disposal legislation and any regional local authority requirements. Dispose of surplus and non-recyclable products via a licensed waste disposal contractor. Waste should not be disposed of untreated to the sewer unless fully compliant with the requirements of all authorities with jurisdiction. Waste packaging should be recycled. Incineration or landfill should only be considered when recycling is not feasible. This material and its container must be disposed of in a safe way. Care should be taken when handling empty containers that have not been cleaned or rinsed out. Empty containers or liners may retain some product residues. Avoid dispersal of spilled material and runoff and contact with soil, waterways, drains and sewers.

Refer to section 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE and section 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION for additional handling information and protection of employees.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

Regulatory Information	UN number	Proper shipping name	Classes	PG*	Label	Additional information

DOT Classification	UN1805	Phosphoric Acid solution	8	III		Reportable quantity 24449.9 lbs / 11100.2 kg [2595 gal / 9823.2 L] Package sizes shipped in quantities less than the product reportable quantity are not subject to the RQ (reportable quantity) transportation requirements.
IMDG Class	UN1805	Phosphoric Acid solution	8	III		
IATA-DGR Class	UN1805	Phosphoric Acid solution	8	III		

PG*: Packing group Exemption to the above classification may apply. AERG : 153

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15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Name	%	Fire hazard	Sudden release of pressure	Reactive	Immediate (acute) health hazard	Delayed (chronic) health hazard
Phosphoric Acid	40-45	no	no	no	yes	no

- HCS Classification** : Not regulated.
- U.S. federal regulations** : **TSCA 8(a) CDR Exempt/Partial exemption:** Not determined
United States inventory (TSCA 8b): All components are listed or exempted.
- Clean air act section 112 (b) Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs)** : Not listed
- Clean air act section 602 Class I substances** : Not listed
- Clean air act section 602 Class II substances** : Not listed
- DEA list I chemicals (Precursor chemicals)** : Not listed
- DEA list II chemicals** : Not listed



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(Essential chemicals)

SARA 313

	Product name	CAS number	Concentration
Form R – Reporting requirements	None		
Supplier notification	None		

SARA 313 notifications must not be detached from the SDS and any copying and redistribution of the SDS shall include copying and redistribution of the notice attached to copies of the SDS subsequently redistributed.

State regulations

- (1)Massachusetts : Not listed
- (2)New York : Not listed
- (3)New Jersey : Not listed
- (4)Pennsylvania : Not listed

California Prop.65

WARNING: This product contains less than 0.1% of a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer.

Ingredient name	Cancer	Reproductive	No significant risk level	Maximum acceptable dosage level
None				

16. OTHER INFORMATION

Label requirements : MAY CAUSE EYE IRRITATION.

Hazardous Material Information System (U.S.A)

- Health : 3
- Flammability : 0
- Physical hazards : 0

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National Fire Protection Association (U.S.A)

- Health : 3
- Flammability : 0
- Instability : 0
- Special : none

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