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# **CREOSOTE FOR TIMBER TREATMENT**

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# Section 1 - CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

#### PRODUCT NAME CREOSOTE FOR TIMBER TREATMENT

#### SYNONYMS

Creosote, "Brick Oil", "Coal Tar Oil"

#### PROPER SHIPPING NAME

ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, LIQUID, N.O.S.(contains 2-methylnaphthalene)

#### PRODUCT USE

Used according to manufacturer's directions.
 Wood preservative.

#### SUPPLIER

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# Section 2 - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

#### STATEMENT OF HAZARDOUS NATURE HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE. DANGEROUS GOODS. According to NOHSC Criteria, and ADG Code.

#### CHEMWATCH HAZARD RATINGS



SAFETY

S13

Safety Codes	
S36	
S401	
S35	

Wear suitable protective clothing.

To clean the floor and all objects contaminated by this

material, use water and detergent.

Safety Phrases

This material and its container must be disposed of in a

safe way. • Keep away from food, drink and animal feeding stuffs.

S46	If swallowed, IMMEDIATELY contact Doctor or Poisons      Information Centre (show this container or label)
S57	Use appropriate container to avoid environmental containing to the second and the second an
S61	Avoid release to the environment. Refer to special instructions/Safety data sheets
S60	<ul> <li>This material and its container must be disposed of as hazardous waste.</li> </ul>

# Section 3 - COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

NAME heavy oil anthracene fraction oil carbolic oil deacenaphthane oil 2- methylnaphthalene Source of creosote is from coal.	CAS RN 91-57-6	% 15 20 10 25 30

# Section 4 - FIRST AID MEASURES

#### SWALLOWED

■ - IF SWALLOWED, REFER FOR MEDICAL ATTENTION, WHERE POSSIBLE, WITHOUT DELAY.

- For advice, contact a Poisons Information Centre or a doctor.

- Urgent hospital treatment is likely to be needed.

- In the mean time, qualified first-aid personnel should treat the patient following observation and employing supportive measures as indicated by the patient's condition.

#### EYE

■ If this product comes in contact with the eyes:

- Wash out immediately with fresh running water.

- Ensure complete irrigation of the eye by keeping eyelids apart and away from eye and moving the eyelids by occasionally lifting the upper and lower lids.

- Seek medical attention without delay; if pain persists or recurs seek medical attention.

- Removal of contact lenses after an eye injury should only be undertaken by skilled personnel.

#### SKIN

If skin contact occurs:

- Immediately remove all contaminated clothing, including footwear.
- Flush skin and hair with running water (and soap if available).

- Seek medical attention in event of irritation.

#### INHALED

- If fumes or combustion products are inhaled remove from contaminated area.

- Lay patient down. Keep warm and rested.

- Prostheses such as false teeth, which may block airway, should be removed, where possible, prior to initiating first aid procedures.

- Apply artificial respiration if not breathing, preferably with a demand valve resuscitator, bag-valve mask device, or pocket mask as trained. Perform CPR if necessary.

#### NOTES TO PHYSICIAN

• for naphthalene intoxication: Naphthalene requires hepatic and microsomal activation prior to the production of toxic effects. Liver microsomes catalyse the initial synthesis of the reactive 1,2-epoxide intermediate which is subsequently oxidised to naphthalene dihydrodiol and alpha-naphthol.

- Induce emesis and/or perform gastric lavage with large amounts of warm water where oral poisoning is suspected.

# Section 5 - FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

#### EXTINGUISHING MEDIA

- Foam.
- Dry chemical powder.
- BCF (where regulations permit).
- Carbon dioxide.

#### FIRE FIGHTING

- Alert Fire Brigade and tell them location and nature of hazard.
- Wear breathing apparatus plus protective gloves.
- Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water courses.
- Use water delivered as a fine spray to control fire and cool adjacent area.
- When any large container (including road and rail tankers) is involved in a fire,

consider evacuation by 100 metres in all directions.

#### FIRE/EXPLOSION HAZARD

Combustible.

- Slight fire hazard when exposed to heat or flame.

- Heating may cause expansion or decomposition leading to violent rupture of containers.

- On combustion, may emit toxic fumes of carbon monoxide (CO).

Combustion products include: carbon monoxide (CO), carbon dioxide (CO2), other pyrolysis products typical of burning organic material. Contains low boiling substance: Closed containers may rupture due to pressure buildup under fire conditions.

#### FIRE INCOMPATIBILITY

Avoid contamination with oxidising agents i.e. nitrates, oxidising acids, chlorine bleaches, pool chlorine etc. as ignition may result.

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#### **Personal Protective Equipment**

Breathing apparatus. Gas tight chemical resistant suit. Limit exposure duration to 1 BA set 30 mins.

# Section 6 - ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

#### MINOR SPILLS

Environmental hazard - contain spillage.

- Clean up all spills immediately.

- Avoid contact with skin and eyes

- Wear impervious gloves and safety goggles.

- Trowel up/scrape up.

#### MAJOR SPILLS

Clear area of personnel and move upwind.

- Alert Fire Brigade and tell them location and nature of hazard.

- Wear breathing apparatus plus protective gloves.

- Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water course.

Environmental hazard - contain spillage.

Personal Protective Equipment advice is contained in Section 8 of the MSDS.

# Section 7 - HANDLING AND STORAGE

#### PROCEDURE FOR HANDLING

Contains low boiling substance:

Storage in sealed containers may result in pressure buildup causing violent rupture of containers not rated appropriately.

- Check for bulging containers.
- Vent periodically
- Always release caps or seals slowly to ensure slow dissipation of vapours.
- Avoid all personal contact, including inhalation.
- Wear protective clothing when risk of exposure occurs.
- Use in a well-ventilated area.
- Prevent concentration in hollows and sumps.

#### SUITABLE CONTAINER

Metal can or drum

- Packaging as recommended by manufacturer.
- Check all containers are clearly labelled and free from leaks.

#### STORAGE INCOMPATIBILITY

For alkyl aromatics:

The alkyl side chain of aromatic rings can undergo oxidation by several mechanisms. The most common and dominant one is the attack by oxidation at benzylic carbon as the intermediate formed is stabilised by resonance structure of the ring.

- Following reaction with oxygen and under the influence of sunlight, a hydroperoxide at the alpha-position to the aromatic ring, is the primary

oxidation product formed (provided a hydrogen atom is initially available at this position) - this product is often short-lived but may be stable dependent on the nature of the aromatic substitution; a secondary C-H bond is more easily attacked than a primary C-H bond whilst a tertiary C-H bond is even more susceptible to attack by oxygen

- Monoalkylbenzenes may subsequently form monocarboxylic acids; alkyl naphthalenes mainly produce the corresponding naphthalene carboxylic acids.

- Vigorous reactions, sometimes amounting to explosions, can result from the contact between aromatic rings and strong oxidising agents.
   Aromatics can react exothermically with bases and with diazo compounds.

#### STORAGE REQUIREMENTS

- Store in original containers.
- Keep containers securely sealed.
- Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area.
- Store away from incompatible materials and foodstuff containers.

# Section 8 - EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

#### EXPOSURE CONTROLS

The following materials had no OELs on our records

• 2- methylnaphthalene:

CAS:91- 57- 6

#### PERSONAL PROTECTION

#### **RESPIRATOR** Type A Filter of sufficient capacity

EYE

Safety glasses with side shields.

- Chemical goggles.

- Contact lenses may pose a special hazard; soft contact lenses may absorb and concentrate irritants. A written policy document, describing the wearing of lens or restrictions on use, should be created for each workplace or task. This should include a review of lens absorption and adsorption for the class of chemicals in use and an account of injury experience. Medical and first-aid personnel should be trained in their removal and suitable equipment should be readily available. In the event of chemical exposure, begin eye irrigation immediately and remove contact lens as soon as practicable. Lens should be removed at the first signs of eye redness or irritation - lens should be removed in a clean environment only after workers have washed hands thoroughly. [CDC NIOSH Current Intelligence Bulletin 59].

#### HANDS/FEET

■ - Wear chemical protective gloves, eg. PVC.

- Wear safety footwear or safety gumboots, eg. Rubber.

NOTE:

- The material may produce skin sensitisation in predisposed individuals. Care must be taken, when removing gloves and other protective equipment, to avoid all possible skin contact.

- Contaminated leather items, such as shoes, belts and watch-bands should be removed and destroyed.

#### OTHER

- Overalls.
- P.V.C. apron.
- Barrier cream.
- Skin cleansing cream.

#### ENGINEERING CONTROLS

Local exhaust ventilation usually required. If risk of overexposure exists, wear approved respirator.

# Section 9 - PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

#### APPEARANCE

Dark brown to black viscous liquid with a characteristic odour; not miscible with water.

#### PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

Does not mix with water. Sinks in water.

State Melting Range (°C) Boiling Range (°C) Flash Point (°C) Decomposition Temp (°C) Autoignition Temp (°C) Upper Explosive Limit (%) Lower Explosive Limit (%)

Volatile Component (%vol)

2- methylnaphthalene log Kow (Sangster 1997): Non Slump Paste Not Available 235- 355 70 (min) Not Available Not Available Not Available Not Available

Not Available

Molecular Weight Viscosity Solubility in water (g/L) pH (1% solution) pH (as supplied) Vapour Pressure (kPa) Specific Gravity (water=1) Relative Vapour Density (air=1) Evaporation Rate

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Not Applicable Not Available Immisc ible Not Available Not A vailable 0.13 @ 30C 1.00- 1.13 5- 6

Not Available

# Section 10 - STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

#### CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO INSTABILITY

Presence of incompatible materials.

- Product is considered stable.

- Hazardous polymerisation will not occur.

For incompatible materials - refer to Section 7 - Handling and Storage.

# Section 11 - TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

#### POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS

ACUTE HEALTH EFFECTS Harmful if swallowed. Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin. CHRONIC HEALTH EFFECTS May cause SENSITISATION by skin contact.

# TOXICITY AND IRRITATION

■ unless otherwise specified data extracted from RTECS - Register of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances.

Asthma-like symptoms may continue for months or even years after exposure to the material ceases. This may be due to a non-allergenic condition known as reactive airways dysfunction syndrome (RADS) which can occur following exposure to high levels of highly irritating compound.
 Contact allergies quickly manifest themselves as contact eczema, more rarely as urticaria or Quincke's oedema. The pathogenesis of contact eczema involves a cell-mediated (T lymphocytes) immune reaction of the delayed type.

CREOSOTE FOR TIMBER TREATMENT: TOXICITY Oral (Rat) LD50: 750 mg/kg

2-METHYLNAPHTHALENE: TOXICITY Oral (rat) LD50: 1630 mg/kg IRRITATION

IRRITATION Nil Reported

# Section 12 - ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment. This material and its container must be disposed of as hazardous waste. Avoid release to the environment. Refer to special instructions/ safety data sheets.

#### Ecotoxicity Ingredient

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edient	Persistence: Water/Soil	Persistence: Air	Bioaccumulation	Mobility
nethylnaphthalene	HIGH		MED	MED

# Section 13 - DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

- Containers may still present a chemical hazard/ danger when empty.

- Return to supplier for reuse/ recycling if possible.

Otherwise:

- If container can not be cleaned sufficiently well to ensure that residuals do not remain or if the container cannot be used to store the same

product, then puncture containers, to prevent re-use, and bury at an authorised landfill.

- Where possible retain label warnings and MSDS and observe all notices pertaining to the product.

- Recycle wherever possible or consult manufacturer for recycling options.

- Consult State Land Waste Authority for disposal.

- Bury or incinerate residue at an approved site.

- Recycle containers if possible, or dispose of in an authorised landfill.

# Section 14 - TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

■ Environmentally Hazardous Substances meeting the descriptions of UN 3077 or UN 3082

are not subject to this Code when transported by road or rail in;

(a) packagings;

(b) IBCs; or

(c) any other receptacle not exceeding 500 kg(L). - Australian Special Provisions (SP AU01) - ADG Code 7th Ed. Labels Required: MISCELLANEOUS

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ADG7:

Class or division: UN No.: Special provisions: 9 3082 274; 331; 335 Subsidiary risk: UN packing group: Packing Instructions: None III None

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# **CREOSOTE FOR TIMBER TREATMENT**

		Jection	
Limited quantities:	5 L	Portable tanks and bulk containers - Instructions:	T4
Portable tanks and bulk containers - Special provisions:	TP1; TP29	Packagings and IBCs - Packing instruction:	P001; IBC03; LP01
Packagings and IBCs - Special packing	PP1		
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# Section 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION

POISONS SCHEDULE S7

#### REGULATIONS

#### **Regulations for ingredients**

#### 2-methylnaphthalene (CAS: 91-57-6) is found on the following regulatory lists;

"Australia Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)", "IMO MARPOL 73/78 (Annex II) - List of Noxious Liquid Substances Carried in Bulk", "International Fragrance Association (IFRA) Survey: Transparency List", "OECD Representative List of High Production Volume (HPV) Chemicals", "OSPAR Substances removed from the List of Substances of Possible Concern"

#### No data for Creosote for Timber Treatment (CW: 4746-94)

### **Section 16 - OTHER INFORMATION**

ND Substance 2- methylnaphthalene

CAS 91- 57- 6 Suggested codes

Classification of the preparation and its individual components has drawn on official and authoritative sources as well as independent review by the Chemwatch Classification committee using available literature references. A list of reference resources used to assist the committee may be found at: www.chemwatch.net/references.

The (M)SDS is a Hazard Communication tool and should be used to assist in the Risk Assessment. Many factors determine whether the reported Hazards are Risks in the workplace or other settings.

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