

## **1. IDENTIFICATION**

Product Name	Formic Acid 10%
Other Names	No Data Available
Uses	Dying & finishing of textiles & paper; Leather treatment; chemical synthesis; manufacture of fumigants, refrigerants, solvents for perfume, lacquers; electo-plating; medicine; brewing; silvering glass; cellulose formate; natural latex, coagulant; ore floatation; vinyl resin plasticiser.
Chemical Family	No Data Available
Chemical Formula	CH202
Chemical Name	Formic Acid 10%
Product Description	No Data Available

#### **Contact Details of the Supplier of this Safety Data Sheet**

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#### **Emergency Contact Details**

For emergencies only; DO NOT contact these companies for general product advice.

Organisation	Location	Telephone
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Chemcall	Australia	1800-127406 +64-4-9179888
Chemcall	Malaysia	+64-4-9179888
Chemcall	New Zealand	0800-243622 +64-4-9179888
National Poisons Centre	New Zealand	0800-764766
CHEMTREC	USA & Canada	1-800-424-9300 CN723420 +1-703-527-3887

#### 2. HAZARD IDENTIFICATION

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Poisons Schedule (Aust)		Schedule 5	
Globally Harmonised Syste	em		
Hazard Classification		Hazardous according to Chemicals (GHS)	the criteria of the Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of
Hazard Categories		Acute Toxicity (Oral) - C	ategory 5
		Skin Corrosion/Irritation	- Category 1B
		Serious Eye Damage/Irr	itation - Category 1
Pictograms			
Signal Word		Danger	
Hazard Statements		H303	May be harmful if swallowed.
		H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
Precautionary Statements	Prevention	P260	Do not breathe mist/vapour/spray.
		P280	Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.
	Response	P303 + P361 + P353	IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water or shower.
		P310	Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor.
		P305 + P351 + P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
		P301 + P330 + P331	IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.
		P363	Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.
		P304 + P340	IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.
	Storage	P405	Store locked up.
	Disposal	P501	Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local / regional / national / international regulations.

#### National Transport Commission (Australia)

Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road & Rail (ADG Code)

Dangerous Goods Classification	Dangerous Goods according to the criteria of the Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by
	Road & Rail (ADG Code)

#### **Environmental Protection Authority (New Zealand)**

Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Amendment Act 2015

HSNO Classifications	Health Hazards 8.2B Substances that are corrosive to dermal tissue UN I	
	8.3A	Substances that are corrosive to ocular tissue

## **3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

#### Ingredients

Chemical Entity	Formula	CAS Number	Proportion
Formic acid	CH2O2	64-18-6	9.5 - 10.5 %
Water	H2O	7732-18-5	Balance %

## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Description of necessary measures according to routes of exposure		
Swallowed	IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth, then drink plenty of water. Do NOT induce vomiting. Immediately call a Poison Centre or doctor/physician for advice. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.	
Еуе	IF IN EYES: Immediately flush eyes with running water for several minutes, holding eyelids open and occasionally lifting the upper and lower lids. Remove contact lenses if present and easy to do. Continue flushing until advised to stop by a Poisons Information Centre or a doctor, or for at least 15 minutes.	
Skin	IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove contaminated clothing and shoes immediately. Flush skin and hair with running water for at least 15 minutes. Immediately call a Poison Centre or doctor/physician for advice. For minor skin contact, avoid spreading material on unaffected skin. Wash contaminated clothing and shoes before reuse. *May not produce an immediate burning sensation upon contact, delaying the awareness that contact has occurred.	
Inhaled	IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. Immediately call a Poison Centre or doctor/physician for advice. Apply resuscitation if victim is not breathing - Do not use direct mouth-to-mouth method if victim ingested or inhaled the substance; use alternative respiratory method or proper respiratory device - Administer oxygen if breathing is difficult.	
Advice to Doctor	Treat symptomatically. Keep victim calm and warm - Obtain immediate medical care. Ensure that attending medical personnel are aware of identity and nature of product(s) involved, and take precautions to protect themselves. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.	
Medical Conditions Aggravated by Exposure	No information available.	

5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES	
General Measures	If safe to do so, move undamaged containers from fire area. Cool containers with water spray until well after fire is out. Avoid getting water inside containers.
Flammability Conditions	Non-combustible (aqueous solution); However, after evaporation of the aqueous component, residual material can burn if ignited.
Extinguishing Media	If material is involved in a fire, use dry chemical, Carbon dioxide (CO2), alcohol-resistant foam or water spray for extinction - Do not use water jets. Alcohol resistant foam is the preferred firefighting medium but, if it is not available, fine water spray can be used.
Fire and Explosion Hazard	Containers may explode when heated. When heated, vapours may form explosive mixtures with air. Contact with metals may evolve flammable hydrogen gas.
Hazardous Products of Combustion	Fire or heat will produce irritating, toxic and/or corrosive gases, including Carbon oxides.
Special Fire Fighting Instructions	Contain runoff from fire control or dilution water - Runoff may be toxic and/or corrosive an may pollute waterways.
Personal Protective Equipment	Wear self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) and chemical splash suit. Fully-encapsulating, gas-tight suits should be worn for maximum protection. Structural firefighter's uniform is NOT effective for this material.
Flash Point	No Data Available
Lower Explosion Limit	No Data Available
Upper Explosion Limit	No Data Available
Auto Ignition Temperature	No Data Available
Hazchem Code	•2X

#### **6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

General Response Procedure	Ensure adequate ventilation - Ventilate enclosed spaces before entering. ELIMINATE all ignition sources. Do not touch or walk through spilled material - Spillages are slippery. Avoid accidents, clean up immediately. Do not breathe vapours and prevent contact with eyes, skin and clothing.
Clean Up Procedures	Absorb with earth, sand or other non-combustible material and transfer to suitable, closed containers for disposal (see SECTION 13).
Containment	Stop leak if safe to do so – Prevent entry into waterways, drains or confined areas. Cover with plastic sheet to prevent spreading.
Decontamination	Cautiously neutralise with weak alkaline solution, such as disodium carbonate. Then wash away with plenty of water.
Environmental Precautionary Measures	Spillages and decontamination runoff should be prevented from entering drains and watercourses.
Evacuation Criteria	Spill or leak area should be isolated immediately. Keep unauthorised personnel away. Keep upwind and to higher ground. Large spill: Immediately contact Police or Fire Brigade; Consider initial downwind evacuation of areas within at least 250 m.
Personal Precautionary Measures	Do not touch damaged containers or spilled material unless wearing appropriate protective clothing (see SECTION 8). Large spill: Wear SCBA and chemical splash suit. Fully-encapsulating, gas-tight suits should be worn for maximum protection.

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling	Safety showers and eyewash facilities should be provided within the immediate work area for emergency use. Ensure adequate ventilation. Do not use in confined spaces. Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Build up of mists or vapours in the atmosphere must be prevented. Do not breathe mist/vapours/spray and prevent contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Do not ingest. wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection (see SECTION 8). Do not use near heat, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources - No smoking.
Storage	Store in a cool, dry and well-ventilated place, out of direct sunlight. Keep containers closed when not in use - check regularly for leaks or spills. Containers which are opened must be carefully resealed and kept upright to prevent leakage. Keep away from heat and sources of ignition - No smoking. Keep away from foodstuffs and incompatible materials (see SECTION 10). Do not combine part drums of the same product, as this may be a source of contamination. Do not mix with other chemicals. Store locked up.
Container	Keep in the original container. Do not pressurise, cut, heat or weld containers as they may contain hazardous residues.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

General	For Formic acid (CAS No. 64-18-6): - Safe Work Australia Exposure Standard: TWA = 5 ppm (9.4 mg/m3); STEL = 10 ppm (19 mg/m3). - New Zealand Workplace Exposure Standard: TWA = 5 ppm (9.4 mg/m3); STEL = 10 ppm (19 mg/m3). - NIOSH REL/OSHA PEL: TWA = 5 ppm (9 mg/m3). - Immediately dangerous to life or health (IDLH) concentration: 30 ppm.
Exposure Limits	No Data Available
<b>Biological Limits</b>	No information available.
Engineering Measures	A system of local and/or general exhaust is recommended to keep employee exposures as low as possible. Local exhaust ventilation is generally preferred because it can control the emissions of the contaminant at its source, preventing dispersion of it into the general work area.
Personal Protection Equipment	<ul> <li>Respiratory protection: In case of inadequate ventilation, wear respiratory protection. Recommended: Full-face respirator with multi-purpose combination or type ABEK respirator cartridges as a backup to engineering controls. If the respirator is the sole means of protection, use a full-face supplied air respirator (refer to AS/NZS 1715 &amp; 1716).</li> <li>Eye/face protection: Wear appropriate eye protection to prevent eye contact. Recommended: Safety glasses/goggles</li> </ul>

	<ul> <li>with side shield protection and/or full-face shield.</li> <li>Hand protection: Wear protective gloves. Recommended: Laminate film, elbow-length supported or unsupported neoprene, neoprene/latex blend or PVC impervious gloves.</li> <li>Skin/body protection: Wear appropriate personal protective clothing to prevent skin contact. Recommended: waterproof apron, coveralls, trousers, long sleeved shirt, closed in shoes and/or safety footwear.</li> </ul>
Special Hazards Precaustions	Vapour heavier than air - prevent concentration in hollows or sumps. Do NOT enter confined spaces where vapour may have collected.
Work Hygienic Practices	Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday. Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Physical State	Liquid
Appearance	Clear liquid
Odour	Pungent
Colour	Colourless
pH	1.7
Vapour Pressure	No Data Available
Relative Vapour Density	No Data Available
Boiling Point	No Data Available
Melting Point	No Data Available
Freezing Point	No Data Available
Solubility	Miscible with water
Specific Gravity	1.01 - 1.03
Flash Point	No Data Available
Auto Ignition Temp	No Data Available
Evaporation Rate	No Data Available
Bulk Density	No Data Available
Corrosion Rate	No Data Available
Decomposition Temperature	No Data Available
Density	No Data Available
Specific Heat	No Data Available
Molecular Weight	No Data Available
Net Propellant Weight	No Data Available
Octanol Water Coefficient	No Data Available
Particle Size	No Data Available
Partition Coefficient	No Data Available
Saturated Vapour Concentration	No Data Available
Vapour Temperature	No Data Available
Viscosity	No Data Available
Volatile Percent	No Data Available
VOC Volume	No Data Available
Additional Characteristics	No information available.
Potential for Dust Explosion	Not applicable.
Fast or Intensely Burning Characteristics	No information available.
Flame Propagation or Burning Rate of Solid Materials	No information available.

Non-Flammables That Could Contribute Unusual Hazards to a Fire	No information available.
Properties That May Initiate or Contribute to Fire Intensity	Non-combustible (aqueous solution); However, after evaporation of the aqueous component, residual material can burn if ignited.
Reactions That Release Gases or Vapours	Fire/decomposition will produce irritating, toxic and/or corrosive gases, including Carbon oxides.
Release of Invisible Flammable Vapours and Gases	When heated, vapours may form explosive mixtures with air. Contact with metals may evolve flammable hydrogen gas.

## **10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

General Information	The substance is a medium strong acid. Reacts violently with oxidants and strong bases. This generates fire and explosion hazard. Attacks many plastics and metals.
Chemical Stability	Stable under recommended storage conditions.
Conditions to Avoid	Avoid exposure to heat, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources.
Materials to Avoid	Incompatible/reactive with strong oxidising agents, strong bases, powdered metals.
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Fire/decomposition will produce irritating, toxic and/or corrosive gases, including Carbon oxides.
Hazardous Polymerisation	No information available.

## **11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

General Information	<ul> <li>Acute toxicity: May be harmful if swallowed. Corrosive on ingestion. Swallowing can result in nausea, vomiting, diarrhoea, abdominal pain and chemical burns to the gastrointestinal tract. COMPONENT: Formic acid (CAS 64-18-6) is Harmful if swallowed &amp; Toxic if inhaled.</li> <li>Skin corrosion/irritation: Causes severe skin burns. Corrosive to skin - may cause skin burns. May not produce an immediate burning sensation upon contact, delaying the awareness that contact has occurred. Symptoms may include redness, burning, and swelling of skin, burns, and other skin damage.</li> <li>Eye damage/irritation: Causes serious eye damage. Corrosive to eyes and may injure the cornea. Contamination of eyes can result in permanent injury. Symptoms include stinging, tearing, redness and swelling of eyes.</li> <li>Respiratory/skin sensitisation: The chemical was not shown to be a skin sensitiser in a Buehler study [NICNAS].</li> <li>Germ cell mutagenicity: Formic acid is not considered to be genotoxic.</li> <li>Carcinogenicity: No evidence of increased carcinogenicity (Analogue: potassium hydrogen diformate).</li> <li>Reproductive toxicity: No adverse effects on reproductive organs; no effects on the developing foetuses (Analogues: potassium hydrogen diformate &amp; sodium formate).</li> <li>STOT (single exposure): Breathing in mists or aerosols may produce respiratory irritation. COMPONENT: Formic acid (CAS 64-18-6) May cause respiratory irritation.</li> <li>STOT (repeated exposure): No significant evidence of systemic toxicity [NICNAS].</li> <li>Aspiration toxicity: No information available.</li> </ul>
Acute	
Ingestion	Acute toxicity (Oral): COMPONENT: Formic acid (CAS No. 64-18-6): - LD50, Rats: 730 mg/kg bw. [NICNAS].
Inhalation	Acute toxicity (Inhalation): COMPONENT: Formic acid (CAS No. 64-18-6): - LC50, Rats: 7.4 mg/L vapour (4 h) [NICNAS].
Carcinogen Category	None

## **12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Ecotoxicity	Acute values for marine organisms are available indicating a low hazard potential. Formic acid is considered acutely not harmful for aquatic organisms.
Persistence/Degradability	Formic acid and the formate ion are readily biodegradable.
Mobility	For the undissociated formic acid as well as for the dissociated form (formate ion), significant adsorption to solid soil phase (e.g. clay) is not expected. From the water surface, the substance will not evaporate into the atmosphere.
Environmental Fate	The product is highly acidic. If large spills occurred, a water pH drop could be responsible for an environmental effect on aquatic organisms.
<b>Bioaccumulation Potential</b>	Accumulation in organisms is not to be expected.
Environmental Impact	No Data Available

#### **13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

General Information	Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national regulations.	
Special Precautions for Land Fill	The product is suitable for disposal by landfill through an approved agent. Incineration of the product is not recommended, as the by-products may be hazardous.	

## **14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

#### Land Transport (Australia)

ADG Code	
Proper Shipping Name	FORMIC ACID with not less than 10% but not more than 85% acid by mass
Class	8 Corrosive Substances
Subsidiary Risk(s)	No Data Available
EPG	36 Toxic And/Or Corrosive Substances Combustible
UN Number	3412
Hazchem	•2X
Pack Group	I
Special Provision	No Data Available
<b>Land Transport (Malaysia)</b> ADR Code	
Proper Shipping Name	FORMIC ACID with not less than 10% but not more than 85% acid by mass
Class	8 Corrosive Substances
Subsidiary Risk(s)	No Data Available
EPG	36 Toxic And/Or Corrosive Substances Combustible
UN Number	3412
Hazchem	2X
Pack Group	I
Special Provision	No Data Available

#### Land Transport (New Zealand) NZS5433

Proper Shipping Name	FORMIC ACID with not less than 10% but not more than $85\%$ acid by mass
Class	8 Corrosive Substances
Subsidiary Risk(s)	No Data Available
EPG	36 Toxic And/Or Corrosive Substances Combustible
UN Number	3412
Hazchem	2X
Pack Group	Ш
Special Provision	No Data Available

#### Land Transport (United States of America) US DOT

Proper Shipping Name	FORMIC ACID with not less than 10% but not more than $85\%$ acid by mass
Class	8 Corrosive Substances
Subsidiary Risk(s)	No Data Available
ERG	153 Substances - Toxic and/or Corrosive (Combustible)
UN Number	3412
Hazchem	2X
Pack Group	ll
Special Provision	No Data Available
<b>Sea Transport</b> IMDG Code	
Proper Shipping Name	FORMIC ACID with not less than 10% but not more than 85% acid by mass
Class	8 Corrosive Substances
Subsidiary Risk(s)	No Data Available
UN Number	3412
Hazchem	2X
Pack Group	Ш

No Data Available

F-A, S-B

No

## EMS Marine Pollutant

**Special Provision** 

# Air Transport

IATA DGR	
Proper Shipping Name	FORMIC ACID with not less than 5% but less than 10% acid by mass
Class	8 Corrosive Substances
Subsidiary Risk(s)	No Data Available
UN Number	3412
Hazchem	•2X
Pack Group	III
Special Provision	No Data Available
Comments	Not to be loaded with Explosives (Class 1), Dangerous when wet substances (class 4.3), Oxidizing substances (Class 5.1), Organic peroxides (Class 5.2), Toxic substances (Class 6) when the substance is

substances (Class 5.1), Organic peroxides (Class 7), Toxic substances (Class 6) when the substance is a cyanide compound, Radioactive material (Class 7), Corrosives (strong alkalis of class 8), Food or food empties, however exemptions may apply.

#### **National Transport Commission (Australia)**

Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road & Rail (ADG Code)

Dangerous Goods according to the criteria of the Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road & Rail (ADG Code)

#### **15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

General Information	FORMIC ACID
Poisons Schedule (Aust)	Schedule 5

#### **Environmental Protection Authority (New Zealand)**

Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Amendment Act 2015

Approval Code	HSR002491

#### **National/Regional Inventories**

Australia (AIIC)	Listed
Canada (DSL)	Not Determined
Canada (NDSL)	Not Determined
China (IECSC)	Not Determined
Europe (EINECS)	200-579-1
Europe (REACh)	01-2119491174-37-
Japan (ENCS/METI)	Not Determined
Korea (KECI)	Not Determined
Malaysia (EHS Register)	Not Determined
New Zealand (NZIoC)	Listed
Philippines (PICCS)	Not Determined
Switzerland (Giftliste 1)	Not Determined
Switzerland (Inventory of Notified Substances)	Not Determined
Taiwan (NCSR)	Not Determined
USA (TSCA)	Not Determined

#### **16. OTHER INFORMATION**

**Related Product Codes** 

FORMIC1802, FORMIC1832, FORMIC1833, FORMIC1836, FORMIC1837, FORMIC1838, FORMIC1839, FORMIC1842,

	FORMIC1843, FORMIC8600
Revision	2
Revision Date	21 Jan 2020
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