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Product Name: TERMIDOR® Residual Termiticide

Classified as hazardous according to criteria of NOHSC

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

Product Name TERMIDOR® Residual Termiticide

**Product Use** For use as a termiticide for treatment of existing buildings, posts and poles.

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Number/Fax

Other Names <u>Name</u> <u>Product Code</u>

Termidor 100 SC

Other Information BASF New Zealand Limited

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E-mail address: reception@basf-nz.co.nz Emergency information:

National Poisons Centre: 0800 764 766

BASF Emergency Advice Number: 0800 944 955 (24 hour advice in an emergency only)

#### 2. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Ingredients	<u>Name</u>	CAS	<b>Proportion</b>
	Other ingredients (non-hazardous)		90 %w/v
	Fipronil	120068-37-3	10 %w/v

# 3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Harmful by inhalation.

Irritating to eyes and skin.

Harmful: danger of serious damage to health by prolonged exposure if

swallowed.

Toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic

environment.

Other Information HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, NON DANGEROUS GOOD

#### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

If poisoning occurs, immediately contact a doctor or Poisons Information Centre (telephone 13  $\,$ 11  $\,$ 26), and follow the advice given. Show this Material Safety

Data Sheet to a doctor.

Inhalation If inhaled, remove to fresh air and obtain medical advice.

Ingestion If swallowed, immediately contact a doctor or Poisons Information Centre

(telephone 13  $11\ 26$ ), and follow the advice given. Keep under medical

supervision.

Skin Remove contaminated clothing. Wash affected areas with plenty of soap and water.

Eye Rinse immediately with clean water, including under eyelids, for at least 15

minutes and obtain medical advice.

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Advice to Doctor

Fipronil is a reversible gamma-aminobutyric (GABA) receptor inhibitor. During intoxication it will induce neurological stimulation with possible convulsions. Treat symptoms. No specific antidote known. Phenobarbital, and to a lesser extent, benzodiazepines, have been shown experimentally to be effective in preventing convulsions induced by fipronil. Due to slow absorption of fipronil through the gut, symptoms of intoxication may be delayed several hours to one day. Absorption may be decreased by the use of gastric lavage, saline purgative and activated charcoal (possible enterohepatic recirculation). Continue monitoring due to slow elimination of the compound.

Symptoms and Effects No adverse health effects are expected if the product is handled in accordance with this Material Safety Data Sheet and the product label. Symptoms that may occur if the product is mishandled are respiratory difficulty, decreased reflexes, lethargy, tremors, and in severe cases convulsions.

**Other Information** 

DO NOT attempt to give anything to a semi-conscious or unconcious person.

# 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Extinguishing Media Carbon dioxide, water spray, dry agent, foam.

Specific Methods

Firefighters should wear full protective gear, including self-contained breathing apparatus (AS/NZS 1715, 1716). If possible and without risk, remove intact containers from exposure to fire. Otherwise, spray unopened containers with water to keep cool. Whenever possible, contain fire-fighting water by bunding area with sand or earth to prevent it entering any bodies of water.

Other Information

Neutralising chemicals: Hydrated lime.

## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Spills & Disposal

Clear area of all unprotected personnel. Wear chemical resistant clothing buttoned to the neck and wrist and a washable hat, half-facepiece respirator with combined dust and gas cartridge and elbow-length PVC or nitrile gloves. Contain spill and absorb with absorbent material such as earth, sand or clay. Stop leak if safe to do so by manoeuvring the container. Decant leaking container into a clean drum, remote from the storage area and label. leaking container can be repacked, contact BASF Australia Ltd, so that an overdrum and transport for return to a nominated BASF location can be arranged. Toxic to aquatic organisms. Do NOT flush to drains or sewers. Do NOT contaminate streams, rivers or water courses.

#### 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Storage

Keep out of reach of children. Store in the closed, original container in a cool, well-ventilated area. Do NOT store for prolonged periods in direct sunlight.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION

**Exposure Limits** No exposure standard has been assigned by the National Occupational Health and

Safety Commission (Worksafe Australia) for this product or its ingredients.

Respiratory Protection Wear a half-facepiece respirator with combined dust and gas cartridge during

preparation and use of the product.

**Eve Protection** Avoid contact with eyes. Wear tightly fitting safety goggles.

**Hand Protection** Elbow-length PVC or nitrile gloves.

**Body Protection** Chemical resistant clothing buttoned to the neck and wrist and a washable hat.

**Eng. Controls** Control process conditions to avoid contact.

Other Information Wash hands after use. After each day's use, wash gloves, respirator facepiece

and contaminated clothing.

# 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Milky white viscous liquid, odourless. Appearance

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Melting Point Not Available

Solubility in Water Dispersible, 1.9 mg/L at 20°C (technical fipronil)

Boiling Point Not Available pH Value 7.0 - 8.0

(1% aqueous solution)

**Vapour Pressure** 3.7 x 10 -7 Pa at 25  $^{\circ}$ C

**Density** 1.06 g/mL at 20°C

Flash Point >97.4°C

Flammability Not flammable.
Flammable Limits Not determined

LEL

Flammable Limits Not determined

UEL

Molecular Weight 437.2

(technical fipronil)

# 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Stable under normal conditions of use. No dangerous reaction known under normal conditions of use. Avoid extreme heat and fire. Toxic thermal decomposition products may include oxides of carbon, sulphur and nitrogen and compounds of chlorine and fluorine.

### 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Toxicology (TERMIDOR Residual Termiticide)

Acute dermal: low, LD50 >2000 mg/kg bw (rabbit) Acute inhalation: LC50 (4 hr) >1.7 mg/L (Rat)

Acute inhalation: LC50 (1 hr, calculated) >6.8 mg/L (Rat)

Acute skin irritation: skin irritant Acute eye irritation: irritating

Skin Sentization: Non-sensitizing (Guinea pig)

Inhalation Does not present an inhalation hazard as the product has a very low vapour

pressure.

Skin Low acute dermal toxicity. Low dermal absorption (1 %).

Eye Will irritate eyes. May cause weeping and redness.

Chronic Effects There is no cancer risk from short or long term exposure to Termidor used

according to label directions (US EPA Risk Assessment, 1999). Fipronil is not

mutagenic and not teratogenic.

#### 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Information on Ecological Effects Non-toxic to earthworms. Fipronil has low mobility in soil. Toxic to fish and aquatic organisms. Do NOT apply to areas where surface water is present. Rinse waters and run-off from treated areas MUST be prevented from entering drains or waterways. Do NOT contaminate streams, rivers or waterways with the chemical or used containers.

Rainbow trout (96hr) LC50: 0.248 mg/L European carp (96hr) LC50: 0.430 mg/L Daphnia magna (48hr) EC50: 0.19 mg/L

# 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

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Waste Disposal

Triple or (preferably) pressure rinse containers before disposal. to the spray tank. Do NOT dispose of undiluted chemicals on-site. If recycling replace cap and return clean containers to recycler or designated collection point. If not recycling, break, crush or puncture and bury empty containers in a local authority landfill. If no landfill is available bury the containers below 500 mm 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

U.N. Number None Allocated **Proper Shipping** 

Name

**Packing Group** 

None Allocated

DG Class **Hazchem Code** 

None Allocated None Allocated None Allocated

Storage and Transport Not classified as a Dangerous Good according to the ADG Code.

#### 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Risk Phrase R20 Harmful by inhalation.

R36/38 Irritating to eyes and skin.

R48/22 Harmful: danger of serious damage to health by prolonged exposure if

swallowed.

R51/53 Toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the

aquatic environment.

Safety Phrase S1/2 Keep locked up and out of reach of children.

S13 Keep away from food, drink and animal feeding stuffs.

S20/21 When using, do not eat, drink or smoke.

S35 This material and its container must be disposed of in a safe way.

S46 If swallowed, seek medical advice immediately and show this container or label.

S57 Use appropriate container to avoid environmental contamination.

**Poisons Schedule** 

**Hazard Category** 

Harmful, Irritant, Dangerous for the environment

### 16. OTHER INFORMATION

Contact Person/Point HS&E Co-ordinator (Aus) Business Support (NZ)

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This MSDS summarises our best knowledge of the health and safety hazard information of the product and how to safely handle and use the product in the workplace. It should be read taking into account how the product is handled in your particular situation and how it is used in conjunction with other products.

...End Of MSDS...