1. Identification of Substance & Company

Product
Product name: pH 4.0 Calibration Solution
Other names:
- pH 4.0 Calibration Solution 20mL sachet
- pH 4.0 Calibration Solution 250mL bottle
- pH 4.0 Calibration Solution 500mL bottle

Product code: Not assigned
HSNO approval: Not applicable – non hazardous
UN number: Not assigned
Packaging group: Not applicable
Hazchem code: 1T
Poison schedule: Not applicable
Uses: Laboratory agent

Company Details
Company: Bluelab Corporation Limited
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- Tauranga 3140
- New Zealand
Telephone: +64 7 578 0849
Fax: +64 7 578 0847
Website: www.getbluelab.com

2. Hazard Identification

Hazard Classifications
This product has been assessed as non hazardous according to the criteria of the GHS.
See section 15 – Regulatory Information for further information.
No risk and safety phrases are known to apply.

SYMBOLS
none

Other Classifications
There are no other classifications that are known to apply.

3. Composition / Information on Ingredients

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<td>Water</td>
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This is a commercial product whose exact ratio of components may vary. Trace quantities of impurities are also likely.
4. First Aid

General Information
You should seek medical advice, if you feel that you may have been poisoned, burned or irritated by this product. If medical advice is needed, have this MSDS, product container or label at hand.

Recommended first aid facilities
Ready access to running water is required. Accessible eyewash is recommended. Emergency shower, hand wash, soap. CPR training, oxygen mask.

Exposure
Swallowed
IF SWALLOWED: Do NOT induce vomiting. Rinse mouth. Contact a doctor if you feel unwell.

Eye contact
IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Apply continuous irrigation with water for at least 15 minutes holding eyelids apart.

Skin contact
If skin irritation occurs: get medical advice/attention.

Inhaled
IF INHALED: If breathing is difficult, remove to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. If patient is unconscious, place in the recovery position (on the side) for transport and contact a doctor. If experiencing respiratory symptoms: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.

Advice to Doctor
Treat symptomatically

5. Firefighting Measures

Fire and explosion hazards:
There are no specific risks for fire/explosion for this chemical. It is non-flammable.

Suitable extinguishing substances:
Carbon dioxide, extinguishing powder, foam, fog sprays, water jets.

Unsuitable extinguishing substances:
Unknown.

Products of combustion:
Carbon dioxide, and if combustion is incomplete, carbon monoxide and smoke. Water. May form toxic mixtures in air and may accumulate in sumps, pits and other low-lying spaces, forming potentially explosive mixtures.

Protective equipment:
Self-contained breathing apparatus. Safety boots, non-flammable overalls, gloves, hat and eye protection.

Hazchem code:
1T

6. Accidental Release Measures

Emergency procedures
In the event of spillage alert the fire brigade to location and give brief description of hazard.
Wear protective equipment to prevent skin, eye and respiratory exposure.
Clear area of any unprotected personnel.
Contain using sand, earth or vermiculite.
Prevent by whatever means possible any spillage from entering drains, sewers, or water courses.

Clean-up method
Use absorbent (soil, sand or other inert material). Rags are not recommended for the clean-up of spills, as they may create fire or environmental hazard. Collect and seal in properly labelled containers or drums for disposal. If contamination of crops, sewers or waterways has occurred advise local emergency services.

Disposal
Mop up and collect recoverable material into labelled containers for recycling or salvage.
Recycle containers wherever possible. This material may be suitable for approved landfill. Dispose of only in accord with all regulations.

Precautions
Wear protective equipment to prevent skin and eye contamination and the inhalation of vapours. Work up wind or increase ventilation.
7. Storage & Handling

Storage
Avoid storage of harmful substances with food. Store out of reach of children. Containers should be kept closed in order to minimise contamination. Keep from extreme heat and open flames. Avoid contact with incompatible substances as listed in Section 10.

Handling
Keep exposure to a minimum, and minimise the quantities kept in work areas. See section 8 with regard to personal protective equipment requirements. Avoid skin and eye contact and inhalation of vapour, mist or aerosols.

8. Exposure Controls / Personal Protective Equipment

Workplace Exposure Standards
A workplace exposure standard (WES) has not been established by the NZ Department of Labour for this product. There is a general limit of 10mg/m³ for dusts and mists when limits have not otherwise been established.

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<th>Ingredient</th>
<th>NZ Workplace Exposure Stds (OSH 2002)</th>
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Engineering Controls
In industrial situations, it is expected that employee exposure to hazardous substances will be controlled to a level as far below the WES as practicable by applying the hierarchy of control required by the Health and Safety in Employment Act 1992 (HSE). Exposure can be reduced by process modification, use of local exhaust ventilation, capturing substances at the source, or other methods. If you believe air borne concentrations of mists, dusts or vapours are high, you are advised to modify processes or increase ventilation.

Personal Protective Equipment

Eyes
Protective eyewear is not normally necessary when using this product. However, it always prudent to use protective eyewear if splashes are likely.

Skin
If discomfort is felt (e.g., if pre-existing conditions exist, such as dermatitis, cuts or sensitive skin), gloves may be helpful. If you suffer from dermatitis type skin conditions, use gloves.

Respiratory
A respirator when airborne concentrations approach the WES (section 8) should be used. If using a respirator, ensure that the cartridges are correct for the potential air contamination and are in good working order.

WES Additional Information
Not applicable

9. Physical & Chemical Properties

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10. Stability & Reactivity

Stability: This product is unlikely to react or decompose under normal storage conditions. This product will not undergo polymerisation reactions.

Conditions to be avoided: Containers should be kept closed in order to avoid contamination. Keep from extreme heat and open flames.

Incompatible groups: Strong oxidisers, strong acids, strong bases

Incompatibility: There are no specific incompatibilities for this chemical.

Hazardous decomposition products: Carbon dioxide, and if combustion is incomplete, carbon monoxide and smoke. Nitrogen, and under some circumstances, oxides of nitrogen, water.

Hazardous reactions: No specific hazards.

11. Toxicological Information

Summary: No specific data is available for this product. Where available, toxicological data has been researched and data for the mixture calculated. The results of these calculations are presented below. The product is considered to have the following toxicity:

Supporting Data

Acute Oral: No data for mixture is available. Using LD50's for ingredients, the calculated LD50 (oral, rat) for the mixture is >5,000 mg/kg. Data considered includes: Phthalate salt: >3200mg/kg (rat), Indicator: 880 mg/kg (guinea pig), Colouring agent: no data.

Dermal: No data for mixture is available. Using LD50's for ingredients, the estimated LD50 (dermal, rat) for the mixture is >2,000 mg/kg. Data considered includes: Phthalate salts: >1000mg/kg (guinea pig), Indicator: no data, Colouring agent: no data.

Inhaled: No data for mixture is available. Using LC50's for ingredients, the estimated LC50 (inhalation, rat) for the mixture is >5,000 ppm. Data considered includes: Potassium Hydrogen Phthalate: no data, Indicator: no data, Colouring agent: no data.

Eye: The mixture is not considered to be irritating to the eye, because none of the ingredients present at >10% is considered to be eye irritants in more concentrated form.

Skin: The mixture is not considered to be irritating to the skin, because none of the ingredients present at >10% are considered to be skin irritants in more concentrated form.

Chronic Sensitisation: The mixture is not considered to be a sensitizer, because none of the ingredients present in greater than 0.1% are known to be sensitizers.

Mutagenicity: No data for mixture is available. No ingredient present at concentrations > 0.1% is considered a mutagen.

Carcinogenicity: No data for mixture is available. No ingredient present at concentrations > 0.1% is considered a carcinogen.

Reproductive / Developmental: No data for mixture is available. No ingredient present at concentrations > 0.1% is considered a reproductive or developmental toxicant or have any effects on or via lactation.

Systemic: The mixture is not considered to be a target organ toxicant, because none of the ingredients present in greater than 1% are suspected to be a target organ toxicant.

Aggravation of existing conditions: None known.
12. Ecological Data

**Summary**
No specific data is available for this product. Where available, ecotoxicological data has been researched and data for the mixture calculated. The results of these calculations are presented below. The product is considered to have the following ecotoxicity groups:

**Supporting Data**

**Aquatic**
No data for mixture is available. Using EC_{50}’s for ingredients, the estimated EC_{50} for the mixture is > 100 mg/L. Data considered includes: Potassium Hydrogen Phthalate: no data, Indicator: no data, Colouring agent: no data.

**Bioaccumulation**
This product is biodegradable.

**Degradability**
It will not accumulate in the soil or water or cause long term problems.

**Soil**
No data available for the mixture. This product is not classified as ecotoxic in the soil environment. The soil toxicity value for the mixture is estimated to be ≥ 100 mg/kg.

**Terrestrial vertebrate**
This product is not considered harmful to terrestrial vertebrates. No LC_{50} (diet) data for ingredients are available and the classification is based on the LD_{50} (oral) – see section 11 – oral toxicity.

**Terrestrial invertebrate**
The mixture is not considered harmful to terrestrial invertebrates.

**Biocidal**
Not applicable

**Environmental effect levels:**

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13. Disposal Considerations

**Restrictions**
There are no product-specific restrictions, however, local council and resource consent conditions may apply, including requirements of trade waste consents.

**Disposal method**
Disposal of this product must comply with the requirements of the Resource Management Act for which approval should be sought from the Regional Authority. The substance must be treated and therefore rendered non-hazardous before discharge to the environment.

**Contaminated packaging**
Rinse containers with water before disposal. Preferably re-cycle container, otherwise send to landfill or similar.

14. Transport Information

Not regulated for transport of dangerous goods: UN, IATA, IMDG.

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15. Regulatory Information

NEW ZEALAND:
Not considered a hazardous substance according to the criteria of the New Zealand Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act (HSNO) legislation. No hazard and precautionary phrases apply.

**Specific Workplace Controls (as per HSNO approval referenced to Controls Matrix)**
Key workplace requirements are:

- MSDS: Not required
- Labelling: Not required
- Emergency plan: Not required
- Approved handler/Tracking: Not required
- Signage: Not required
- Test certificate: Not required
Other Legislation

AUSTRALIA: Non-hazardous substance. Non dangerous goods according to the criteria of NOHSC and the ADG code.


EU: Not considered a dangerous substance according to directive 1999/45/EC and its amendments. The ingredients of this substance are not listed in the Annex I of Regulation (EC) No 689/2008.

16. Other Information

Abbreviations
ADG Australian Dangerous Goods code (Australia)
Approval Code Not applicable.
CAS Number Unique Chemical Abstracts Service Registry Number
Controls Matrix List of default controls linking regulation numbers to Matrix code (e.g. T1, I16).
EC 
Ecotoxic Concentration 50% – concentration in water which is fatal to 50% of a test population (e.g. daphnia, fish species).
ERMA Environmental Risk Management Authority
HAZCHEM Code Emergency action code of numbers and letters that provide information to emergency services, especially fire fighters.
HSNO Hazardous Substances and New Organisms (Act and Regulations)
IARC International Agency for Research on Cancer
IATA International Air Transport Association
IMDG International Maritime Dangerous Goods
LD 
Lethal Dose 50% – dose which is fatal to 50% of a test population (usually rats).
LC 
Lethal Concentration 50% – concentration in air which is fatal to 50% of a test population (usually rats).
MSDS Material Safety Data Sheet (or Safety Data Sheet)
NOHSC National Occupational Health & Safety Commission (Australia)
OSH The Occupational Safety and Health Service of the Department of Labour (NZ)
OSHA Occupational Safety and Health Administration (USA)
UN Number United Nations Number
WES Workplace Exposure Standard

References

Data Unless otherwise stated comes from the ERMA HSNO chemical classification information database (CCID) http://www.ermanz.govt.nz/hs/compliance/chemicals.html , for specific chemicals.
ERMA Transfer Gazettes Classifications and controls assigned for specific ingredients (consolidated gazette, 2004)
Controls Matrix Part of the ERMA New Zealand User Guide to the HSNO Control Regulations
Other References: ChemIDplus – United States National Library of Medicine

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