



**Section 1: Identification** 

Product name: Avocet®

Other names: Suspension concentrate containing 250g/L Paclobutrazol

Recommended use: Growth regulator for cherries, apricots, peaches, nectarines,

avocados (Haas), certain turf grasses and suppression of annual

poa in turf.

Manufacturer/Importer details: Agritrade

1 Robin Mann Place Christchurch Airport

PO Box 292, Christchurch 8140

Phone: 03 372 0890

24-hour emergency contact: 0800 CHEMCALL (0800 243622)

National Poison Centre: 0800 POISON (0800 764766)

Section 2: Hazard identification

Product is classified as hazardous according to the Hazardous Substances (Hazard Classification) Notice 2020 of the HSNO Act,

1996.

HSNO Approval: HSR000779

Hazardous classification: Acute oral toxicity Category 4, Eye irritation Category 2,

Reproductive toxicity Category 2, Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure) Category 2, Hazardous to terrestrial vertebrates, Hazardous to the aquatic environment chronic

Category 3

Pictograms:





Signal word: WARNING

Hazard statements: H302 Harmful if swallowed.

H319 Causes serious eye irritation.

H361 Suspected of damaging fertility or the unborn child. H373 May cause damage to the liver through prolonged or

repeated exposure.

H412 Harmful to aquatic life with long-lasting effects.

H433 Harmful to terrestrial vertebrates.

Prevention statements: P102 Keep out of reach of children.

P103 Read label before use.

P201 Obtain special instructions before use.





P202 Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read

and understood.

P260 Do not breathe vapours or spray mist.

P264 Wash exposed skin thoroughly after handling.

P270 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.

P273 Avoid release to the environment.

P280 Wear protective gloves, protective clothing and eye/face

protection.

P281 Use personal protective equipment as required.

Response statements: P101 If medical advice is needed, have product container or label

at hand.

P308 + P313 IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice.

P314 Get medical advice if you feel unwell.

P301 + P312 IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTRE or

doctor if you feel unwell P330 Rinse mouth.

P305 + P351 + P338 **IF IN EYES:** Rinse cautiously with water for

several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and

easy to do so. Continue rinsing.

P337 + P313 If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice.

P391 Collect spillage.

Storage statement: P405 Store locked up.

Disposal statement: P501 Dispose of product and containers in accordance with local

regulations.

Additional Label

Requirements:

Do not apply directly into or onto water.

Take all reasonable steps to ensure that the substance does not

cause any significant adverse effects to the environment beyond

the application area.

#### Section 3: Composition/information on ingredients

Chemical identity of ingredients with health or environmental hazards:

| Ingredient        | CAS No.     | Proportion %w/w |
|-------------------|-------------|-----------------|
| Paclobutrazol     | 76738-62-0  | 24 -25          |
| Other ingredients | Proprietary | <15             |
| Water             | 7732-18-5   | Balance         |

#### Section 4: First-aid measures

First aid measures: For advice contact National Poisons Centre (phone New Zealand

0800 764 766) or a doctor. Have product label or Safety Data

Sheet at hand.

Ingestion: Rinse mouth with water. Do NOT induce vomiting. Get immediate

medical advice.

Skin contact: Immediately take off contaminated clothing. Wash skin with soap

and water. Get medical advice if you feel unwell or if irritation

occurs.

Eye contact: Hold eyelids apart and rinse the eye cautiously for at least 15

minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do, continue rinsing. Contact a Poisons Centre or doctor for advice.

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Inhalation: Remove patient to fresh air and keep at rest in a position

comfortable for breathing. If experiencing respiratory symptoms

contact a Poisons Centre or doctor immediately.

First aid facilities: Provide eye baths and safety showers close to areas where

splashing may occur.

Advice to doctor: Treat symptomatically.

### Section 5: Fire-fighting measures

Flammability: Non-flammable.

Appropriate extinguishing

media:

Dry chemical, water spray (fog), foam or carbon dioxide for small fires. Use foam or water fog for large fires. Do not use water jet. Keep fire exposed containers cool by spraying with water.

Combustion products: Oxides of carbon and nitrogen.

Special protective equipment

and precautions for firefighters: Self-contained breathing apparatus required.

HAZCHEM code: 2X

#### Section 6: Accidental release measures

Personal precautions: Use appropriate protective equipment; protective clothing

(overalls), impervious gloves, face shield, boots.

Environmental precautions: Contain and collect spillage. This substance is harmful to aquatic

life with long lasting effects. Avoid contamination of any water

supply with the substance or empty container.

Procedure for clean up: Clear area of unnecessary personnel.

Small spill: Contain and absorb clay granules, sand, or other

absorbent material. Put into labelled container that can be sealed

and disposed of to an approved landfill.

Large spill: Contain and then pump as much as possible to an appropriate, labelled salvage container. Absorb the remaining liquid with clay granules, sand, or other absorbent material and sweep to a waste container. Cover the spill area with water and

absorb.

Prevent runoff into water ways or drains. Collect spilt product and contaminated materials for disposal to an approved hazardous

landfill or waste collection facility.

### Section 7: Handling and storage

Safe handling: Read label before use. When mixing or applying wear protective

clothing; waterproof gloves, overalls, rubber boots, and eye protection. Do not eat, drink or smoke while using. Wash splashes off exposed skin or out of eyes immediately. Wash hands and face thoroughly after handling and before rest or meal breaks.





Safe storage: Keep out of reach of children. Store in original container, tightly

closed and in a locked, dry, cool, well-ventilated area away from foodstuffs, feeds, seeds, fertilisers. Store in accordance with the current version of NZS 8409 Management of Agrichemicals.

Section 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

Occupational exposure limits: None set as of WorkSafe's 12th edition of WES and BEI values

published November 2020.

Note: It is recommended that airborne concentrations should be kept below 3 mg/m<sup>3</sup> for respirable particulates and 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup> for

inhalable particulates.

Biological limit value None set as of WorkSafe's 12th edition of WES and BEI values

published November 2020.

Engineering controls: Not normally required for product being used outdoors and in

well-ventilated areas. General (mechanical) room ventilation is

considered satisfactory.

Respiratory protection: Air respirator with particulate filter or self-contained breathing

apparatus.

Hand protection: Impervious acid resistant glove with minimum of 0.5 mm

thickness, e.g. nitrile.

Eye protection: Chemical goggles or face shield where splashes may occur.

Skin protection: Waterproof hat, coat and trousers worn outside rubber boots.

General hygiene: Do not eat, drink or smoke while using. Wash hands and exposed

skin thoroughly with soap and water before meals and after work.

Wash protective clothing daily after work.

Personal Protection: Further information on specific types of personal protective gear

and related standards is available in Section 16.

Section 9: Physical and chemical properties

(a) Appearance: Off-white/beige liquid suspension.

(b) Odour: None

(c) Odour threshold: No data available.

(d) pH: 7.0 - 9.0 (1% aqueous dilution).

(e) Melting point/freezing

point: No data available.

(f) Initial boiling point and

boiling range: 100°C

(g) Flash point: Not flammable.

(h) Flammability (solid,

gas): Not applicable.

(i) Upper/lower

flammability or Not applicable.

explosive limits:

(j) Vapour pressure: No data available.

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(k) Vapour density: No data available.

(I) Relative density: c.a. 1.09

(m) Solubility: Forms suspension in water.

(n) Partition coefficient:

n-octanol/water: No data available.

(o) Auto-ignition

temperature: No data available.

(p) Decomposition

temperature: No data available.
(q) Kinematic viscosity: No data available.
(r) Particle characteristics Not applicable

### Section 10: Stability and reactivity

Stability of the substance: Stable under normal storage and handling conditions.

Conditions to avoid: Excessive heat.

Incompatible materials: Strong oxidising agents and acids.

Hazardous decomposition

products: Oxides of carbon and nitrogen may be emitted.

### **Section 11: Toxicological information**

Toxicity classifications determined by assessment of the

components in the formulated mixture.

a) Acute toxicity: Toxic if ingested.

b) Aspiration hazard: Not classified as aspirant hazard.c) Respiratory irritation: Not classified as respiratory irritant.

d) Skin corrosion /

irritation: Not classified.

e) Serious eye damage /

irritation: Irritating to eyes.

f) Respiratory or skin

i) Respiratory or skiri

sensitisation: Not classified as respiratory or contact sensitizer.

g) Germ cell

mutagenicity: Not classified as mutagenic.
h) Carcinogenicity: Not classified as carcinogenic.

i) Reproductive toxicity: Suspected of damaging fertility or the unborn child.

j) Specific organ toxicity: May cause damage to target organs (liver) or systems from

prolonged or repeated exposure.

k) Narcotic effects: Not classified.l) Other adverse effects: No information.

m) Toxicological information for

paclobutrazol (active): Oral LD<sub>50</sub> (mouse): 400 - 540 mg/kg

Oral LD<sub>50</sub> (rat, male): >2000 mg/kg Oral LD<sub>50</sub> (rat, female): 1336 mg/kg

Dermal LD<sub>50</sub>: >2000 mg/kg





Inhalation LC<sub>50</sub> 4 hr (rat, male): >4.79mg/L Inhalation LC<sub>50</sub> 4 hr (rat, female): 3.13mg/L

### Section 12: Ecological information

Ecotoxicological classifications determined by assessment of the

components in the formulated mixture.

(a) Aquatic toxicity: Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects

(b) Soil environment: Not classified for soil ecotoxicity.(c) Terrestrial vertebrate Harmful to terrestrial vertebrates.

toxicity:

(e)

(g)

(d) Terrestrial invertebrate

toxicity:

Not classified.

Persistence and

degradability: Persistent. Generally half-life is 6 to 12 months, <42 days in

calcareous clay, <140 days in coarse, sandy loam.

(f) Potential to be

bioaccumulative: Mobility in soil: Not expected to be bioaccumulative. Log P = 3.2.

Product disperses in water.

(h) Other adverse effects: No data available.

(i) Ecotoxicological information for

paclobutrazol (active):

Bluegill sunfish LC<sub>50</sub> (96 hour): 23.6 mg/L

Rainbow trout LC<sub>50</sub> (96 hour): 23.6 mg/L Daphnia magna EC<sub>50</sub> (48 hour): 0.0059 mg/L

Green algae (Selenastrum capriconutum) EC<sub>50</sub> (72 hour):

41.5mg/L

### Section 13: Disposal considerations

Product disposal: Dispose of this product only by using according to the label or

through Agrecovery chemical disposal or similar approved service

or at an approved landfill.

Container disposal: Triple rinse empty container adding rinsate to the spray tank.

Recycle through Agrecovery if possible or appropriate recycling facility. Otherwise crush and bury in an approved landfill. Do not use container for any other purpose. Avoid contamination of any

water supply or stream with product or empty container.

### **Section 14: Transport information**

UN number:
UN proper shipping name:
UN class:
Not applicable.
Not applicable.
Sub-class:
Not applicable.
Not applicable.

Packing group: ||| HAZCHEM: 2X

Marine pollutant: Aquatic chronic 3. Not Marine Pollutant according to IMDG.

Special precautions: -

### Section 15: Regulatory information

## **Avocet®**



HSNO: Approved substance under the HSNO Act 1996.

Substance approval number: HSR000779; Suspension concentrate containing 250 g/litre

paclobutrazol.

Tolerable exposure limit: Not set.

HSNO controls: See <a href="https://www.epa.govt.nz">www.epa.govt.nz</a>

This substance must not be applied onto or into water.

Additional controls: -

ACVM: Registered under the Agricultural Compounds Veterinary

Medicines Act 1997.

Registration number: P009471

Conditions of registration: See <a href="https://www.foodsafety.govt.nz">www.foodsafety.govt.nz</a>

**Section 16: Other information** 

Date of issue: 15/03/2019.

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Replaces: SDS issued 15 March 2019.

Information references: Supplier Safety Data Sheet

NZ EPA Approved hazardous substances databases.

NZ EPA Chemical Classification and Information Databases.

ACVM: Agricultural Chemicals and Veterinary Medicines Group
Abbreviations: HSNO: Hazardous substances and New Organisms Act 1996

(HSNO Act)

EPA: Environmental Protection Authority of New Zealand

CAS Number: Chemical Abstracts Service Number

LD50: Lethal Dose 50% (Population)

LC50: Lethal Concentration 50% (Population)

WES-TWA: Workplace exposure standards – Time-weighted

average

WES-STEL: Workplace exposure standards - Short-term

exposure limit

Personal Protection

Standards:

The following Standards provide general advice regarding safety

clothing and equipment:

Respiratory equipment: **AS/NZS 1715**, Protective Gloves: **AS 2161**, Occupational Protective Clothing: **AS/NZS 4501**, Industrial

Eye Protection: AS1336 and AS/NZS 1337, Occupational

Protective Footwear: AS/NZS2210

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