

# **WATERCO**

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## **SAFETY DATA SHEET**

### **AQUACHLOR BLACK ALGO PLUS ALGAECIDE**

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## **1. IDENTIFICATION**

### **GHS Product Identifier**

AQUACHLOR BLACK ALGO PLUS ALGAECIDE

### **Product Code**

A62004

### **Company Name**

WATERCO LIMITED

### **Address**

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NSW 2116 Australia

### **Telephone/Fax Number**

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### **Emergency phone number**

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### **Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use**

A broad spectrum microbiocide for the control of bacteria, fungi and algae in water systems.

### **Additional Information**

Pack Size: 1 Litre

## **2. HAZARD IDENTIFICATION**

### **GHS classification of the substance/mixture**

Classified as Hazardous according to the Globally Harmonised System of Classification and labelling of Chemicals (GHS) including Work, Health and Safety regulations, Australia

Classified as Dangerous Goods according to the Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail. (7th edition)

Eye Damage/Irritation: Category 1

Skin Corrosion/Irritation: Category 1B

STOT Single Exposure: Category 3 (respiratory tract irritation)

### **Signal Word (s)**

DANGER

### **Hazard Statement (s)**

H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

H335 May cause respiratory irritation.

### **Pictogram (s)**

Corrosion, Exclamation mark

**Precautionary statement – Prevention**

P260 Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.

P264 Wash contaminated skin thoroughly after handling

P271 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.

P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.

**Precautionary statement – Response**

P301+P330+P331 IF SWALLOWED: rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.

P303+P361+P353 IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.

P304+P340 IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.

P305+P351+P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do.

Continue rinsing.

P310 Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.

P363 Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

**Precautionary statement – Storage**

P403+P233 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.

P405 Store locked up.

**Precautionary statement – Disposal**

P501 Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant.

### 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

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**Information on Composition**

Chemical Entity†    Synonyms

Benzalkonium chloride    Quaternary

Ammonium chloride

**Ingredients**

Name	CAS	Proportion
Benzalkonium chloride	68424-85-1	<20 %
Triethanolamine complex of copper salts		<1.5 %
Dye		<0.1 %
Water	7732-18-5	To 100%

### 4. FIRST-AID MEASURES

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**Inhalation**

If inhaled, remove affected person from contaminated area. Apply artificial respiration if not breathing. Seek medical attention.

**Ingestion**

Do not induce vomiting. Wash out mouth thoroughly with water. Seek immediate medical attention.

**Skin**

Remove all contaminated clothing immediately. Wash gently and thoroughly with water and non-abrasive soap for 15 minutes. Ensure contaminated clothing is washed before re-use or discard. Seek immediate medical attention.

**Eye contact**

If in eyes, hold eyelids apart and flush the eyes continuously with running water. Remove contact lenses. Continue flushing until advised to stop by the Poisons Information Centre or a doctor, or for at least 15 minutes. Seek immediate medical attention.

**First Aid Facilities**

Eyewash, safety shower and normal washroom facilities.

**Advice to Doctor**

Treat symptomatically.

**Other Information**

For advice in an emergency, contact a Poisons Information Centre (Phone Australia 131 126) or a doctor at once.

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**5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES**

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**Suitable Extinguishing Media**

Water spray, alcohol foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide extinguishers can be used.

**Unsuitable Extinguishing Media**

Do not use water jet.

**Hazards from Combustion Products**

Under fire conditions this product may emit toxic and/or irritating fumes, smoke and gases including hydrogen chloride, carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide and oxides of nitrogen.

**Specific Hazards Arising From The Chemical**

This product is non combustible. However, following evaporation of aqueous component under fire conditions, the non-aqueous component may decompose and/or burn.

**Hazchem Code**

2X

**Decomposition Temperature**

Not available

**Precautions in connection with Fire**

Fire fighters should wear Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) operated in positive pressure mode and full protective clothing to prevent exposure to vapours or fumes. Water spray may be used to cool down heat-exposed containers. Fight fire from safe location. This product should be prevented from entering drains and watercourses.

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**6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

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**Emergency Procedures**

Evacuate all unprotected personnel. Do not allow contact with skin and eyes. Do not breathe mist/vapour. It is essential to wear self-contained breathing apparatus (S.C.B.A) and full personal protective equipment and clothing to prevent exposure. Avoid exposure to spillage by collecting the material using vacuum and transfer into suitable labelled containers for subsequent recycling or disposal. Dispose of waste according to applicable local and national regulations. If contamination of sewers or waterways occurs inform the local water and waste management authorities in accordance with local regulations.

As a water based product, if spilt on electrical equipment the product will cause short-circuits.

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**7. HANDLING AND STORAGE**

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**Precautions for Safe Handling**

Corrosive liquid. Attacks skin and eyes. Causes burns. Avoid breathing in vapours, mist or fumes. Wear suitable protective clothing, gloves and eye/face protection when mixing and using. Use in designated areas with adequate ventilation. Keep containers tightly closed. Ensure a high level of personal hygiene is maintained when using this product, that is, always wash hands after handling, and before eating, drinking, smoking or using the toilet facilities.

**Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**

Corrosive liquid. Store in a cool dry well-ventilated area. Store away from oxidising agents and bases/acids. Keep containers closed when not in use, securely sealed and protected against physical damage. Inspect regularly for deficiencies such as damage or leaks. Provide a catch-tank in a bunded area. Store in original packages as approved by manufacturer. Ensure that storage conditions comply with applicable local and national regulations. Protect from freezing.

For information on the design of the storeroom, reference should be made to Australian Standard AS 3780 The storage and handling of corrosive substances.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

### Occupational exposure limit values

No exposure standards have been established for the mixture. However, over-exposure to some chemicals may result in enhancement of pre-existing adverse medical conditions and/or allergic reactions and should be kept to the least possible levels.

### Biological Limit Values

No biological limits allocated.

### Appropriate Engineering Controls

This substance is hazardous and should be used with a local exhaust ventilation system, drawing vapours away from workers' breathing zone. If the engineering controls are not sufficient to maintain concentrations of vapours/mists below the exposure standards, suitable respiratory protection must be worn.

### Respiratory Protection

If engineering controls are not effective in controlling airborne exposure then an approved respirator with a replaceable vapor/mist filter should be used. Refer to relevant regulations for further information concerning respiratory protective requirements.

Reference should be made to Australian Standards AS/NZS 1715, Selection, Use and Maintenance of Respiratory Protective Devices; and AS/NZS 1716, Respiratory Protective Devices, in order to make any necessary changes for individual circumstances.

### Eye Protection

Safety glasses with full face shield should be used. Eye protection devices should conform to relevant regulations.

Eye protection should conform with Australian/New Zealand Standard AS/NZS 1337 - Eye Protectors for Industrial Applications.

### Hand Protection

Wear gloves of impervious material such as rubber, nitrile, PVC or chloroprene. Final choice of appropriate gloves will vary according to individual circumstances. i.e. methods of handling or according to risk assessments undertaken. Occupational protective gloves should conform to relevant regulations.

Reference should be made to AS/NZS 2161.1: Occupational protective gloves - Selection, use and maintenance.

### Body Protection

Suitable protective workwear, e.g. cotton overalls buttoned at neck and wrist is recommended. Chemical resistant apron is recommended where large quantities are handled.

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Properties	Description	Properties	Description
Form	Liquid	Appearance	Clear colourless to slightly blue liquid.
Colour	Clear colourless to slightly blue	Odour	Not available
Decomposition Temperature	Not available	Freezing Point	About 0 °C
Boiling Point	About 100°C	Solubility in Water	Complete
Specific Gravity	1.0 at 20 °C	pH	7 – 7.5 at 1%
Vapour Pressure	As for water	Vapour Density (Air=1)	As for water
Evaporation Rate	As for water	Odour Threshold	Not available
Viscosity	Not available	Partition Coefficient: n-octanol/water	Not available
Flash Point	Not applicable	Auto-Ignition Temperature	Not applicable
Flammable Limits - Lower	Not applicable	Flammable Limits - Upper	Not applicable

## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

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### Reactivity

Not available

### Chemical Stability

Stable under normal conditions of storage and handling.

### Reactivity and Stability

Not available

### Conditions to Avoid

Extremes of temperature and direct sunlight

### Incompatible materials

Not available

### Hazardous Decomposition Products

Under fire conditions this product may emit toxic and/or irritating fumes, smoke and gases including hydrogen chloride, carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide and oxides of nitrogen.

### Possibility of hazardous reactions

Not available

### Hazardous Polymerization

Not available

## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

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### Toxicology Information

No toxicity data available for this material.

### Ingestion

Ingestion of this product will cause nausea, vomiting, abdominal pain and chemical burns to the mouth, throat and stomach.

### Inhalation

Inhalation of mist or vapour will result in respiratory irritation and possible harmful corrosive effects including burns, lesions of the nasal septum, pulmonary edema, and scarring of tissue. May cause respiratory irritation. Inhalation of product vapours can cause irritation of the nose, throat and respiratory system.

### Skin

Causes burns. Corrosive to the skin. Skin contact can cause redness, itching, irritation, severe pain and chemical burns with resultant tissue destruction.

### Eye

Causes eye damage. Eye contact will cause stinging, blurring, tearing, severe pain and possible burns, necrosis, permanent damage and blindness.

### Respiratory sensitisation

Not expected to be a respiratory sensitiser.

### Skin Sensitisation

Not expected to be a skin sensitiser.

### Germ cell mutagenicity

Not considered to be a mutagenic hazard.

### Carcinogenicity

Not considered to be a carcinogenic hazard.

### Reproductive Toxicity

Not considered to be toxic to reproduction.

### STOT-single exposure

May cause respiratory irritation.

### STOT-repeated exposure

Not expected to cause toxicity to a specific target organ.

**Aspiration Hazard**

Not expected to be an aspiration hazard.

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**12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

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**Ecotoxicity**

No ecological data available for this material.

**Persistence and degradability**

Quaternary ammonium compounds may have temporary effects in aquatic environments. However, they are biodegradable and are unlikely to pose a long term risk to the environment.

**Mobility**

Not available

**Bioaccumulative Potential**

Not available

**Other Adverse Effects**

Not available

**Environmental Protection**

Do not discharge this material into waterways, drains and sewers.

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**13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

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**Disposal considerations**

The disposal of the spilled or waste material must be done in accordance with applicable local and national regulations.

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**14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

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**Transport Information**

Road and Rail Transport:

This material is classified as a Class 8 Corrosive Substances Dangerous Goods

Class 8 Dangerous Goods are incompatible in a placard load with any of the following:

- Class 1: Explosives
  - Division 4.3: Dangerous when wet Substances
  - Division 5.1: Oxidising substances
  - Division 5.2: Organic peroxides
  - Class 6, Toxic or Infectious Substances, if the Class 6 dangerous goods are cyanides and the Class 8 dangerous goods are acids
  - Class 7: Radioactive materials unless specifically exempted
- and are incompatible with food and food packaging in any quantity.

Strong acids must not be loaded in the same freight container or on the same vehicle with strong alkalis. Packing Group I and II acids and alkalis should be considered as strong.

Marine Transport (IMO/IMDG):

Classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG Code) for transport by sea.

Class/Division: 8

UN No: 1760

Proper Shipping Name: CORROSIVE LIQUID, N.O.S. (Contains Benzalkonium chloride)

Packing Group: II

EMS: F-A,S-B

Special Provisions: 274

Air Transport (ICAO/IATA):

Classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the International Air Transport Association (IATA) Dangerous Goods Regulations for transport by air.

Class/Division: 8

UN No: 1760

Proper Shipping Name: CORROSIVE LIQUID, N.O.S. (Contains Benzalkonium chloride)

Packing Group: II  
Packaging Instructions (passenger & cargo): 851  
Packaging Instructions (cargo only): 855  
Hazard Label: Corrosive  
Special Provisions: A3 A803

**U.N. Number**

1760

**UN proper shipping name**

CORROSIVE LIQUID, N.O.S.(Contains Benzalkonium chloride)

**Transport hazard class(es)**

8

**Packing Group**

II

**Hazchem Code**

2X

**Special Precautions for User**

Not available

**IERG Number**

37

**IMDG Marine pollutant**

No

**Transport in Bulk**

Not available

## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

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**Regulatory information**

Classified as Hazardous according to the Globally Harmonised System of Classification and labelling of Chemicals (GHS) including Work, Health and Safety regulations, Australia.

Classified as a Scheduled Poison according to the Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP).

**Poisons Schedule**

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## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

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**Date of preparation or last revision of SDS**

SDS reviewed : March 2016 Supersedes: December 2010

**References**

- Preparation of Safety Data Sheets for Hazardous Chemicals Code of Practice.
- Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons.
- Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road & Rail.
- Model Work Health and Safety Regulations, Schedule 10: Prohibited carcinogens, restricted carcinogens and restricted hazardous chemicals.
- Workplace exposure standards for airborne contaminants, Safe work Australia.
- American Conference of Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH).
- Globally Harmonised System of classification and labelling of chemicals.

**Contact Person/Point**

Emergency contact:

Australia 1800 638 556 landline +61 438 465 960  
New Zealand 0800 154 666 landline +64 962 390 85

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