

# Material Safety Data Sheet

**Polka**

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

PRODUCT NAME: **Polka**  
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CHEMICAL FAMILY: Benzamide USE: Herbicide

## 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION:

6.4A; Harmful - may cause eye irritation. Avoid contact with eyes.  
6.5B; Harmful - may cause skin sensitisation from prolonged skin contact. Avoid skin contact.  
6.7B; Harmful - suspected of causing cancer.  
6.9B; Harmful - may cause organ damage from repeated oral exposure at high doses.  
9.1A; Very Toxic to fish with long lasting effects. Avoid contamination of any water supply with this product or empty container.  
9.2A; Very toxic to the soil environment. Selective herbicide - very toxic to some plant species  
Refer to Section 15 for NZ EPA Requirements.

## 3. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS:

COMMON NAME:	CAS NUMBER:	CONCENTRATION %:	HAZARD CLASSIFICATIONS:
Propyzamide	23950-58-5	44 %	Class 6, 9.
Sufactants		<20 %	
Inerts		Balance	

## 4. FIRST - AID MEASURES:

EYE CONTACT: Immediately flush with flowing water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention if irritation persists.  
SKIN CONTACT: Immediately flush with plenty of water while removing contaminated clothing. DO NOT scrub the skin. Continue for at least 15 minutes. Wash clothing before reuse.  
INHALATION: If inhaled, move the victim to fresh air immediately. Begin artificial respiration if breathing has stopped. Use mouth to nose rather than mouth to mouth. Obtain medical attention.  
INGESTION: If swallowed, rinse mouth with water immediately. DO NOT induce vomiting. Seek medical attention.  
NOTES TO DOCTOR: No specific antidote. Treat symptomatically.

## 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES:

FLASHPOINT: Not applicable. HAZCHEM CODE: 2X  
FLAMMABLE LIMITS: Not applicable.  
EXTINGUISHING MEDIA: Foam, Carbon dioxide, Dry chemical or Water spray (fog). Prevent run-off from entering into any water supply.  
THERMAL DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS: Include oxides of carbon, and nitrogen  
SPECIAL FIRE FIGHTING METHODS: Addition of water may cause excessive foaming. Vapours may be toxic. Self contained breathing apparatus required. Do not allow contaminated runoff to enter drains.  
UNUSUAL FIRE OR EXPLOSION HAZARDS:None.

## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES:

Use appropriate protective equipment. Clear area of unnecessary personnel. Spills may be slippery and should be cleaned up immediately.  
Large spill: Dike and pump as much as possible to a salvage container. Absorb the remaining liquid and any small spills with clay granules, sand or other absorbent material and sweep to a waste container. Cover the spill area with water and absorb. Minimise runoff into waterways or drains. Warning this substance is very toxic to aquatic organisms. Avoid contamination of any water supply with this substance or empty container.

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE:

Keep out of reach of children.  
Store in original container, tightly closed away from food, food related materials, animal feedstuffs, seed or fertilizer.  
Chemical resistant gloves and eye protection should be worn when handling this product. Wear other personal protective equipment appropriate to the situation when handling product. Wash protective clothing daily after work.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION:

EXPOSURE LIMITS: No exposure limits (WES, TEL, or EELs) have been specifically assigned for this product.  
EYE PROTECTION: Chemical goggles or face shield when handling or using this product.  
RESPIRATORY PROTECTION: Self contained breathing apparatus when exposed to vapours from heated material.  
PROTECTIVE CLOTHING: Wear protective clothing such as impervious gloves, waterproof hat, coat and trousers (worn outside rubber boots) when using. Wash protective clothing daily after work.  
VENTILATION: General (mechanical) room ventilation is considered satisfactory.  
HYGIENE PRECAUTIONS: Do not eat drink or smoke while working with this product. Remove clothing that becomes soaked or contaminated and wash before reuse. Wash hands before breaks and after work. The use of a skin barrier cream is useful to give additional skin protection. Keep out of the reach of children.

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## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES:

APPEARANCE / STATE / ODOUR:	White to cream liquid.	pH:	Not applicable
BOILING POINT:	100°C	SETTING POINT:	<0°C
DENSITY:	1.1	AUTOIGNITION TEMP:	Not available
DECOMPOSITION TEMP:	Decomposes above 156°C	VAPOUR DENSITY:	Heavier than air
FLASHPOINT:	Not applicable.	VAPOUR PRESSURE:	0.058 mPa @ 25°C
EXPLOSION PROPERTIES:	Not available		
SOLUBILITY:	15 mg/L (25°C) water		
OTHER DATA:			
OCTANOL / WATER PARTITION COEFFICIENT:	Log Pow 3.1 - 3.2		

## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY:

CONDITIONS TO AVOID:	Stable under normal storage conditions. In the case of fire temperatures decomposition may occur at temperatures above 156°C
MATERIALS TO AVOID:	None.
HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION	Thermal decomposition may release ammonia, carbon monoxide under incomplete combustion conditions.

## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION:

ACUTE ORAL:	Propazamide: LD50 (4h) for rats 5620 mg/kg female.
ACUTE DERMAL:	LD50 for rats >2000 mg/kg.
ACUTE INHALATION:	Acute LC50 (4hr) rats >5 gm/L air

### OTHER TOXICITY INFORMATION:

May cause eye irritation and skin sensitisation from prolonged skin contact. Avoid eye and skin contact.  
Suspected of causing cancer and may cause organ damage from repeated oral exposure at high doses.

## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION:

Aquatic Toxicity: Very toxic to fish. LC 50 (96 hr) for Rainbow trout: 72 mg/L.  
Soil Toxicity: Very toxic to the soil environment.  
Terrestrial Vertebrates - Birds: Not toxic to birds.  
Terrestrial Invertebrates - Bees: Not toxic to bees.  
Very Toxic to fish with long lasting effects. Avoid contamination of any water supply with this product or empty container.  
Very toxic to the soil environment. Selective herbicide - very toxic to some plant species (certain plants may be killed or damaged from root uptake of this product).

## 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS:

Triple rinse empty container and add rinsate to the spray tank. If recycling, discard cap and deliver clean container to an Agrecovery depot. Alternatively crush and bury in an approved landfill.  
Dispose of product only by using according to this label, or at an approved disposal facility.  
Avoid contamination of any water supply or stream with product or empty container.

## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION:

Proper Shipping Name:	ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, LIQUID, N.O.S (Propyzamide)		
UN Number:	3082	UN Hazard Class:	9
Packing Group:	III	Hazchem Code:	2X
Additional Information:	IATA Special Provision A197 applies for containers 5L or less (not restricted).		

## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION:

APPROVED HANDLER: The product must be under the personal control of an approved handler when:  
a) the product is applied in a wide dispersive manner; or  
b) used by a commercial contractor.  
However, it may be handled by a person who is not an approved handler if:  
- an approved handler is present at the facility where the substance is being handled; and  
- the approved handler has provided guidance to the person in respect to the handling of the product; and  
- the approved handler is available at all times to provide assistance if necessary.

Polka shall NOT be applied onto or into water.

RECORD KEEPING: A written record of use is required if 3 kg or more of this product is used within 24 hours in a place where:  
a) public may lawfully be present; or  
b) the substance is likely to enter air or water supply and leave the place where it is under control.  
The information must be kept for a minimum of three [3] years.

This product DOES NOT have Tracking Requirements.

Approved pursuant to the HSNO Act 1996. NZ EPA Approval Code: HSR000561. See <www.epa.govt.nz> for controls.  
Registered pursuant to the ACVM Act 1997. ACVM Pesticide No: P005996. See <www.nzfsa.govt.nz> for registration conditions.

## 16. OTHER INFORMATION:

The data given here is based on current knowledge and experience. The purpose of this safety data sheet is to describe the products in terms of their safety requirements. The data does not signify any warranty with regard to the product's properties.