

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

## 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

### 1.1 Product identifier

**Product name** CAMPBELLS CALCIUM NITRATE GREENHOUSE GRADE (NITROCAL)  
**Synonyms** CALCIUM NITRATE GREENHOUSE GRADE (NITROCAL)

### 1.2 Uses and uses advised against

**Uses** FERTILISER

### 1.3 Details of the supplier of the product

**Supplier name** CAMPBELLS FERTILISERS AUSTRALASIA PTY LTD  
**Address** 18 Raymond Rd, Laverton North, Victoria, 3026, AUSTRALIA  
**Telephone** (03) 9931 2211  
**Fax** (03) 9931 2201  
**Email** [info@campbellsfert.com.au](mailto:info@campbellsfert.com.au)  
**Website** <http://www.campbellsfert.com.au>

### 1.4 Emergency telephone numbers

**Emergency** (03) 9931 2211 (8.30am - 5pm Monday - Friday)  
**Emergency** 0418 350 726 (At all other times)  
**Poison Information Centre** 13 11 26

## 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

CLASSIFIED AS HAZARDOUS ACCORDING TO SAFE WORK AUSTRALIA CRITERIA

#### Physical Hazards

Not classified as a Physical Hazard

#### Health Hazards

Acute Toxicity: Oral: Category 4  
Serious Eye Damage / Eye Irritation: Category 1

#### Environmental Hazards

Not classified as an Environmental Hazard

### 2.2 GHS Label elements

**Signal word** DANGER

#### Pictograms



#### Hazard statements

H302 Harmful if swallowed.  
H318 Causes serious eye damage.

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P264 Wash thoroughly after handling.  
P270 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.  
P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection/hearing protection.

**Response statements**

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 CENTRE or doctor/physician.  
P330 Rinse mouth.

**Storage statements**

None allocated.

**Disposal statements**

P501 Dispose of contents/container in accordance with relevant regulations.

**2.3 Other hazards**

No information provided.

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**3. COMPOSITION/ INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

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**3.1 Substances / Mixtures**

| Ingredient                         | CAS Number | EC Number | Content (w/w) |
|------------------------------------|------------|-----------|---------------|
| NITRIC ACID, AMMONIUM CALCIUM SALT | 15245-12-2 | 239-289-5 | <85%          |
| CALCIUM NITRATE TETRAHYDRATE       | 13477-34-4 | 603-865-8 | <15%          |

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**4. FIRST AID MEASURES**

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**4.1 Description of first aid measures**

**Eye** If in eyes, hold eyelids apart and flush continuously with running water. Continue flushing until advised to stop by a Poisons Information Centre, a doctor, or for at least 15 minutes.

**Inhalation** If inhaled, remove from contaminated area. Apply artificial respiration if not breathing.

**Skin** If skin or hair contact occurs, remove contaminated clothing and flush skin and hair with running water. Continue flushing with water until advised to stop by a Poisons Information Centre or a doctor.

**Ingestion** For advice, contact a Poisons Information Centre on 13 11 26 (Australia Wide) or a doctor (at once). Do not induce vomiting. Rinse mouth with water provided person is conscious.

**First aid facilities** Eye wash facilities and safety shower should be available.

**4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed**

Over exposure may result in methaemoglobinemia, where the blood's oxygen-carrying capacity is reduced.

**4.3 Immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**

Treat symptomatically.

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**5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES**

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**5.1 Extinguishing media**

Use an extinguishing agent suitable for the surrounding fire.

**5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture**

Non flammable. May evolve toxic gases if strongly heated. May evolve nitrogen oxides when heated to decomposition.

**5.3 Advice for firefighters**

No fire or explosion hazard exists.

**5.4 Hazchem code**

None allocated.

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## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

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### **6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

Wear Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) as detailed in section 8 of the SDS. Ventilate area where possible.

### **6.2 Environmental precautions**

Prevent product from entering drains and waterways.

### **6.3 Methods of cleaning up**

Contain spillage, then collect and place in suitable containers for disposal. Avoid generating dust. Use spark-proof tools and explosion-proof equipment.

### **6.4 Reference to other sections**

See Sections 8 and 13 for exposure controls and disposal.

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## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

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### **7.1 Precautions for safe handling**

Before use carefully read the product label. Use of safe work practices are recommended to avoid eye or skin contact and inhalation. Observe good personal hygiene, including washing hands before eating. Prohibit eating, drinking and smoking in contaminated areas. Take precautionary measures against static discharge.

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

Store in a cool, dry, well ventilated area, removed from foodstuffs. Ensure containers are adequately labelled, protected from physical damage and sealed when not in use. Do not allow to come in contact with water, either from rain, condensation or the surface on which stored. Bagged fertilisers should be stored under cover and out of direct sunlight (which degrades woven polypropylene packs). If stored in the open, do so for short periods only, and cover with a tarpaulin. If stacking is necessary, bulk bags should be stored in a stable manner, preferably in a pyramidal style. Bulk bags should not be stacked more than two high for bags containing 1 000 kg or more, or more than four high for bags containing up to 500 kg. The Pallet Capacity Rating (design weight) should not be exceeded on the bottom tier for other packs. High stacking should be avoided as pressure promotes caking. Store away from farm chemicals, e.g. insecticides, fungicides and herbicides.

### **7.3 Specific end uses**

No information provided.

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## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

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### **8.1 Control parameters**

#### **Exposure standards**

No exposure standards have been entered for this product.

#### **Biological limits**

No biological limit values have been entered for this product.

### **8.2 Exposure controls**

**Engineering controls** Avoid inhalation. Use in well ventilated areas. Where an inhalation risk exists, mechanical extraction ventilation is recommended.

#### **PPE**

|                    |   |
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| <b>Eye / Face</b>  | Wear dust-proof goggles.  |
| <b>Hands</b>       | Wear PVC or rubber gloves.  |
| <b>Body</b>        | When using large quantities or where heavy contamination is likely, wear coveralls. |
| <b>Respiratory</b> | Where an inhalation risk exists, wear a Class P1 (Particulate) respirator.          |



## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

|                           |                            |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| Appearance                | WHITE GRANULES             |
| Odour                     | ODOURLESS                  |
| Flammability              | NON FLAMMABLE              |
| Flash point               | NOT RELEVANT               |
| Boiling point             | NOT AVAILABLE              |
| Melting point             | 45°C                       |
| Evaporation rate          | NOT AVAILABLE              |
| pH                        | 5.7 to 7.0 (10 % solution) |
| Vapour density            | NOT AVAILABLE              |
| Relative density          | NOT AVAILABLE              |
| Solubility (water)        | SOLUBLE                    |
| Vapour pressure           | NOT AVAILABLE              |
| Upper explosion limit     | NOT RELEVANT               |
| Lower explosion limit     | NOT RELEVANT               |
| Partition coefficient     | NOT AVAILABLE              |
| Autoignition temperature  | NOT AVAILABLE              |
| Decomposition temperature | NOT AVAILABLE              |
| Viscosity                 | NOT AVAILABLE              |
| Explosive properties      | NOT AVAILABLE              |
| Oxidising properties      | NOT AVAILABLE              |
| Odour threshold           | NOT AVAILABLE              |

### 9.2 Other information

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|--------------|------------------------|
| Bulk density | 1100 kg/m <sup>3</sup> |
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## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### 10.1 Reactivity

Carefully review all information provided in sections 10.2 to 10.6.

### 10.2 Chemical stability

Stable under recommended conditions of storage.

### 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

Polymerization is not expected to occur.

### 10.4 Conditions to avoid

Avoid heat, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. Dust generation.

### 10.5 Incompatible materials

Incompatible with oxidizing agents (e.g. hypochlorites), organic materials, powdered metals (e.g. aluminium), ammonia, hydrazine, reducing agents (eg. sulphites), combustible materials and sources of ignition.

### 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

May evolve nitrogen oxides when heated to decomposition.

## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

**Acute toxicity** Harmful if swallowed.

#### Information available for the ingredients:

| Ingredient                         | Oral LD50       | Dermal LD50 | Inhalation LC50 |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------|-----------------|
| NITRIC ACID, AMMONIUM CALCIUM SALT | 500 mg/kg (rat) | --          | --              |

**Skin** Contact may result in irritation, redness, rash and dermatitis.

**Eye** Causes serious eye damage. Contact may result in irritation, lacrimation, pain, redness and possible serious eye damage.

**Sensitisation** Not classified as causing skin or respiratory sensitisation.

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| <b>Mutagenicity</b>             | Not classified as a mutagen.   |
| <b>Carcinogenicity</b>          | Not classified as a carcinogen.  |
| <b>Reproductive</b>             | Not classified as a reproductive toxin.  |
| <b>STOT - single exposure</b>   | Over exposure may result in irritation of the nose and throat, with coughing. Over exposure may result in methaemoglobinemia, where the blood's oxygen-carrying capacity is reduced. |
| <b>STOT - repeated exposure</b> | Not classified as causing organ damage from repeated exposure.   |
| <b>Aspiration</b>               | Not classified as causing aspiration.  |

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**12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

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**12.1 Toxicity**

No information provided.

**12.2 Persistence and degradability**

Ammonium ion is toxic to plants in large concentrations. Ammonium ion will convert to the nitrate form with accompanying acidification of the soil. Nitrate ion will leach more easily than ammonium ion, and may pollute water courses and are toxic to people (especially children) at high concentrations (methaemoglobinemia). Nitrate ion will become part of the natural Nitrogen cycle by converting to nitrogen gas (N<sub>2</sub>) or by becoming part of organisms.

**12.3 Bioaccumulative potential**

Not expected to bioaccumulate.

**12.4 Mobility in soil**

Ammonium and nitrate ions are mobile (the nitrate ion more so than ammonium ion) and will leach from soils and into water courses. Calcium ion is less mobile and will remain attached to soil constituents.

**12.5 Other adverse effects**

Plant nutrients may be beneficial to plants at low levels, however high levels may cause reduced growth or burns in sensitive species. Excess may be washed through soil to waterways. Nutrients released to waterways may cause algal blooms, with potential for toxic effects on aquatic organisms.

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**13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

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**13.1 Waste treatment methods**

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| <b>Waste disposal</b> | Reuse or recycle where possible. Alternatively, ensure product is covered with moist soil to prevent dust generation and dispose of to an approved landfill site. Contact the manufacturer/supplier for additional information (if required). |
| <b>Legislation</b>    | Dispose of in accordance with relevant local legislation.   |

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**14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

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**NOT CLASSIFIED AS A DANGEROUS GOOD BY THE CRITERIA OF THE ADG CODE, IMDG OR IATA**

|                                    | <b>LAND TRANSPORT (ADG)</b> | <b>SEA TRANSPORT (IMDG / IMO)</b> | <b>AIR TRANSPORT (IATA / ICAO)</b> |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| <b>14.1 UN Number</b>              | None allocated.             | None allocated.                   | None allocated.                    |
| <b>14.2 Proper Shipping Name</b>   | None allocated.             | None allocated.                   | None allocated.                    |
| <b>14.3 Transport hazard class</b> | None allocated.             | None allocated.                   | None allocated.                    |
| <b>14.4 Packing Group</b>          | None allocated.             | None allocated.                   | None allocated.                    |

**14.5 Environmental hazards**

Not a Marine Pollutant.

**14.6 Special precautions for user**

**Hazchem code**                      None allocated.

## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

### 15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

|                           |   |
|---------------------------|---|
| <b>Poison schedule</b>    | A poison schedule number has not been allocated to this product using the criteria in the Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP). |
| <b>Classifications</b>    | Safe Work Australia criteria is based on the Globally Harmonised System (GHS) of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS Revision 7).                    |
| <b>Inventory listings</b> | <b>AUSTRALIA: AIC (Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals)</b><br>All components are listed on AIC, or are exempt.  |

## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

**Additional information**      EXPOSURE STANDARDS - TIME WEIGHTED AVERAGES: Exposure standards are established on the premise of an 8 hour work period of normal intensity, under normal climatic conditions and where a 16 hour break between shifts exists to enable the body to eliminate absorbed contaminants. In the following circumstances, exposure standards must be reduced: Strenuous work conditions; hot, humid climates; high altitude conditions; extended shifts (which increase the exposure period and shorten the period of recuperation).

RESPIRATORS: In general the use of respirators should be limited and engineering controls employed to avoid exposure. If respiratory equipment must be worn ensure correct respirator selection and training is undertaken. Remember that some respirators may be extremely uncomfortable when used for long periods. The use of air powered or air supplied respirators should be considered where prolonged or repeated use is necessary.

**PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT GUIDELINES:**

The recommendation for protective equipment contained within this report is provided as a guide only. Factors such as form of product, method of application, working environment, quantity used, product concentration and the availability of engineering controls should be considered before final selection of personal protective equipment is made.

**HEALTH EFFECTS FROM EXPOSURE:**

It should be noted that the effects from exposure to this product will depend on several factors including: form of product; frequency and duration of use; quantity used; effectiveness of control measures; protective equipment used and method of application. Given that it is impractical to prepare a report which would encompass all possible scenarios, it is anticipated that users will assess the risks and apply control methods where appropriate.

**Abbreviations**

|                   |   |
|-------------------|---|
| ACGIH             | American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists                                       |
| CAS #             | Chemical Abstract Service number - used to uniquely identify chemical compounds                 |
| CNS               | Central Nervous System  |
| EC No.            | EC No - European Community Number   |
| EMS               | Emergency Schedules (Emergency Procedures for Ships Carrying Dangerous Goods)                   |
| GHS               | Globally Harmonized System  |
| GTEPG             | Group Text Emergency Procedure Guide  |
| IARC              | International Agency for Research on Cancer   |
| LC50              | Lethal Concentration, 50% / Median Lethal Concentration   |
| LD50              | Lethal Dose, 50% / Median Lethal Dose   |
| mg/m <sup>3</sup> | Milligrams per Cubic Metre  |
| OEL               | Occupational Exposure Limit   |
| pH                | relates to hydrogen ion concentration using a scale of 0 (high acidic) to 14 (highly alkaline). |
| ppm               | Parts Per Million   |
| STEL              | Short-Term Exposure Limit   |
| STOT-RE           | Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure)  |
| STOT-SE           | Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)  |
| SUSMP             | Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons                                    |
| SWA               | Safe Work Australia   |
| TLV               | Threshold Limit Value   |
| TWA               | Time Weighted Average   |

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**Report status**

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