

Product Name: FirstRate* Herbicide**Issue Date:** 2011.09.23

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1. Product and Company Identification

Product Name

FirstRate* Herbicide

COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

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Revision 2011.09.23**Customer Information Number:** 800-667-3852
solutions@dow.com**EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBER****24-Hour Emergency Contact:** 613-996-6666**Local Emergency Contact:** 613-996-6666

2. Hazards Identification

Emergency Overview**Color:** Brown**Physical State:** Granules**Odor:** Sweet**Hazards of product:**

CAUTION! May cause eye irritation. May cause skin irritation. Isolate area. Toxic fumes may be released in fire situations. Highly toxic to fish and/or other aquatic organisms. Possible cancer hazard. May cause cancer based on animal data.

Potential Health Effects

Eye Contact: May cause slight temporary eye irritation. Corneal injury is unlikely.

Skin Contact: Brief contact may cause slight skin irritation with local redness.

Skin Absorption: Prolonged skin contact is unlikely to result in absorption of harmful amounts.

Inhalation: No adverse effects are anticipated from single exposure to dust. Vapors are unlikely due to physical properties.

Ingestion: Very low toxicity if swallowed. Small amounts swallowed incidentally as a result of normal handling operations are not likely to cause injury; however, swallowing larger amounts may cause injury.

Aspiration hazard: Based on physical properties, not likely to be an aspiration hazard.

Effects of Repeated Exposure: For the active ingredient(s): In animals, effects have been reported on the following organs: Kidney. Liver. Testes. Thyroid.

Cancer Information: For the minor component(s): Methylene chloride has been shown to increase the incidence of malignant tumors in mice and benign tumors in rats. Other animal studies, as well as several human epidemiology studies, failed to show a tumorigenic response. Methylene chloride is not believed to pose a measurable carcinogenic risk to man when handled as recommended. Studies have shown that tumors observed in mice are unique to that species.

3. Composition/information on ingredients

Component	CAS #	Amount W/W
Cloransulam-methyl	147150-35-4	84.0 %
Starch	9005-25-8	>= 2.5 - <= 3.4 %
Dichloromethane (methylene chloride)	75-09-2	0.4 %
Balance	Not available	>= 12.2 - <= 13.1 %

Amounts are presented as percentages by weight.

4. First-aid measures

Description of first aid measures

General advice: First Aid responders should pay attention to self-protection and use the recommended protective clothing (chemical resistant gloves, splash protection). If potential for exposure exists refer to Section 8 for specific personal protective equipment.

Inhalation: Move person to fresh air. If person is not breathing, call an emergency responder or ambulance, then give artificial respiration; if by mouth to mouth use rescuer protection (pocket mask etc). Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice.

Skin Contact: Take off contaminated clothing. Rinse skin immediately with plenty of water for 15-20 minutes. Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice. Suitable emergency safety shower facility should be available in work area.

Eye Contact: Hold eyes open and rinse slowly and gently with water for 15-20 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present, after the first 5 minutes, then continue rinsing eyes. Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice. Suitable emergency eye wash facility should be available in work area.

Ingestion: Call a poison control center or doctor immediately for treatment advice. Have person sip a glass of water if able to swallow. Do not induce vomiting unless told to do so by the poison control center or doctor. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.

Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Aside from the information found under Description of first aid measures (above) and Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed (below), no additional symptoms and effects are anticipated.

Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

No specific antidote. Treatment of exposure should be directed at the control of symptoms and the clinical condition of the patient. Have the Safety Data Sheet, and if available, the product container or label with you when calling a poison control center or doctor, or going for treatment.

5. Fire Fighting Measures

Suitable extinguishing media

Water. Dry chemical fire extinguishers. Carbon dioxide fire extinguishers.

Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Hazardous Combustion Products: During a fire, smoke may contain the original material in addition to combustion products of varying composition which may be toxic and/or irritating. Combustion products may include and are not limited to: Sulfur oxides. Nitrogen oxides. Hydrogen fluoride. Hydrogen chloride. Carbon monoxide. Carbon dioxide.

Unusual Fire and Explosion Hazards: Container may rupture from gas generation in a fire situation.

Advice for firefighters

Fire Fighting Procedures: Keep people away. Isolate fire and deny unnecessary entry. Consider feasibility of a controlled burn to minimize environment damage. Foam fire extinguishing system is preferred because uncontrolled water can spread possible contamination. Soak thoroughly with water to cool and prevent re-ignition. Use water spray to cool fire exposed containers and fire affected zone until fire is out and danger of reignition has passed. Fight fire from protected location or safe distance. Consider the use of unmanned hose holders or monitor nozzles. Immediately withdraw all personnel from the area in case of rising sound from venting safety device or discoloration of the container. Move container from fire area if this is possible without hazard. Contain fire water run-off if possible. Fire water run-off, if not contained, may cause environmental damage. Review the "Accidental Release Measures" and the "Ecological Information" sections of this (M)SDS.

Special Protective Equipment for Firefighters: Wear positive-pressure self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) and protective fire fighting clothing (includes fire fighting helmet, coat, trousers, boots, and gloves). If protective equipment is not available or not used, fight fire from a protected location or safe distance.

See Section 9 for related Physical Properties

6. Accidental Release Measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures: Isolate area. Keep unnecessary and unprotected personnel from entering the area. Refer to Section 7, Handling, for additional precautionary measures. Spilled material may cause a slipping hazard. Use appropriate safety equipment. For additional information, refer to Section 8, Exposure Controls and Personal Protection.

Environmental precautions: Prevent from entering into soil, ditches, sewers, waterways and/or groundwater. See Section 12, Ecological Information.

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up: Contain spilled material if possible. Small spills: Sweep up. Collect in suitable and properly labeled containers. Large spills: Contact Dow AgroSciences for clean-up assistance. See Section 13, Disposal Considerations, for additional information.

7. Handling and Storage

Handling

General Handling: Keep out of reach of children. Do not swallow. Avoid breathing dust or mist. Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Wash thoroughly after handling. Use with adequate ventilation. See Section 8, EXPOSURE CONTROLS AND PERSONAL PROTECTION.

Storage

Store in a dry place. Store in original container. Do not store near food, foodstuffs, drugs or potable water supplies.

8. Exposure Controls / Personal Protection

Exposure Limits

Component	List	Type	Value
Starch	CAD AB OEL	TWA	10 mg/m ³
	CAD BC OEL	TWA	3 mg/m ³
		Respirable fraction.	
	CAD BC OEL	TWA Total dust.	10 mg/m ³
	OEL (QUE)	TWA Total dust.	10 mg/m ³
	CAD ON OEL	TWAEV Total dust.	10 mg/m ³
	ACGIH	TWA	10 mg/m ³
Dichloromethane (methylene chloride)	CAD AB OEL	TWA	174 mg/m ³ 50 ppm
	CAD BC OEL	TWA	25 ppm
	CAD ON OEL	TWAEV	175 mg/m ³ 50 ppm
	ACGIH	TWA	50 ppm BEI
	OEL (QUE)	TWA	174 mg/m ³ 50 ppm Exposure must be minimized.
Cloransulam-methyl	Dow IHG	TWA	3 mg/m ³
Methanol	CAD AB OEL	TWA	262 mg/m ³ 200 ppm SKIN
	CAD AB OEL	STEL	328 mg/m ³ 250 ppm SKIN
	CAD ON OEL	TWAEV	260 mg/m ³ 200 ppm SKIN
	CAD ON OEL	STEV	325 mg/m ³ 250 ppm SKIN
	ACGIH	TWA	200 ppm SKIN, BEI
	ACGIH	STEL	250 ppm SKIN, BEI
	CAD BC OEL	TWA	200 ppm SKIN
	CAD BC OEL	STEL	250 ppm SKIN
	OEL (QUE)	TWA	262 mg/m ³ 200 ppm SKIN
OEL (QUE)	STEL	328 mg/m ³ 250 ppm SKIN	

Consult local authorities for recommended exposure limits.

RECOMMENDATIONS IN THIS SECTION ARE FOR MANUFACTURING, COMMERCIAL BLENDING AND PACKAGING WORKERS. APPLICATORS AND HANDLERS SHOULD SEE THE PRODUCT LABEL FOR PROPER PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT AND CLOTHING.

A BEI notation following the exposure guideline refers to a guidance value for assessing biological monitoring results as an indicator of the uptake of a substance from all routes of exposures.

A "skin" notation following the inhalation exposure guideline refers to the potential for dermal absorption of the material including mucous membranes and the eyes either by contact with vapors or by direct skin contact.

It is intended to alert the reader that inhalation may not be the only route of exposure and that measures to minimize dermal exposures should be considered.

Personal Protection

Eye/Face Protection: Use safety glasses (with side shields).

Skin Protection: Use protective clothing chemically resistant to this material. Selection of specific items such as face shield, boots, apron, or full body suit will depend on the task.

Hand protection: Use gloves chemically resistant to this material. Examples of preferred glove barrier materials include: Polyvinyl chloride ("PVC" or "vinyl"). Neoprene. Nitrile/butadiene rubber ("nitrile" or "NBR"). NOTICE: The selection of a specific glove for a particular application and duration of use in a workplace should also take into account all relevant workplace factors such as, but not limited to: Other chemicals which may be handled,

physical requirements (cut/puncture protection, dexterity, thermal protection), potential body reactions to glove materials, as well as the instructions/specifications provided by the glove supplier.

Respiratory Protection: Respiratory protection should be worn when there is a potential to exceed the exposure limit requirements or guidelines. If there are no applicable exposure limit requirements or guidelines, wear respiratory protection when adverse effects, such as respiratory irritation or discomfort have been experienced, or where indicated by your risk assessment process. For most conditions, no respiratory protection should be needed; however, in dusty atmospheres, use an approved particulate respirator. The following should be effective types of air-purifying respirators: Particulate filter.

Ingestion: Use good personal hygiene. Do not consume or store food in the work area. Wash hands before smoking or eating.

Engineering Controls

Ventilation: Use local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to maintain airborne levels below exposure limit requirements or guidelines. If there are no applicable exposure limit requirements or guidelines, general ventilation should be sufficient for most operations. Local exhaust ventilation may be necessary for some operations.

9. Physical and Chemical Properties

Appearance

Physical State	Granules
Color	Brown
Odor	Sweet
Odor Threshold	No test data available
pH	7.05 (@ 10.0 %) <i>pH Electrode</i>
Melting Point	No test data available
Freezing Point	Not applicable
Boiling Point (760 mmHg)	Not applicable
Flash Point - Closed Cup	Not applicable
Evaporation Rate (Butyl Acetate = 1)	Not applicable
Flammable Limits In Air	Lower: Not applicable Upper: Not applicable
Vapor Pressure	Not applicable
Vapor Density (air = 1)	Not applicable
Specific Gravity (H ₂ O = 1)	No test data available
Solubility in water (by weight)	No test data available
Partition coefficient, n-octanol/water (log Pow)	No data available for this product. See Section 12 for individual component data.
Autoignition Temperature	Not applicable
Decomposition Temperature	No test data available
Dynamic Viscosity	No test data available
Bulk Density	0.549 g/ml <i>Loose Volumetric</i> (Room Temperature)

10. Stability and Reactivity

Reactivity

No dangerous reaction known under conditions of normal use.

Chemical stability

Thermally stable at typical use temperatures.

Possibility of hazardous reactions

Polymerization will not occur.

Conditions to Avoid: Product decomposes above melting temperature. Generation of gas during decomposition can cause pressure in closed systems. Avoid direct sunlight.

Incompatible Materials: Avoid contact with: Oxidizers.

Hazardous decomposition products

Decomposition products depend upon temperature, air supply and the presence of other materials. Decomposition products can include and are not limited to: Carbon monoxide. Carbon dioxide. Hydrogen chloride. Hydrogen fluoride. Nitrogen oxides. Sulfur oxides. Toxic gases are released during decomposition.

11. Toxicological Information

Acute Toxicity

Ingestion

As product: LD50, rat, male and female > 5,000 mg/kg
No deaths occurred at this concentration.

Dermal

As product: LD50, rabbit > 2,000 mg/kg
No deaths occurred at this concentration.

Inhalation

As product: The LC50 has not been determined.
For the active ingredient(s): Maximum attainable concentration. LC50, 4 h, Aerosol > 3.77 mg/l
No deaths occurred following exposure to a saturated atmosphere.

Eye damage/eye irritation

May cause slight temporary eye irritation. Corneal injury is unlikely.

Skin corrosion/irritation

Brief contact may cause slight skin irritation with local redness.

Sensitization

Skin

Did not cause allergic skin reactions when tested in guinea pigs.

Respiratory

No relevant data found.

Repeated Dose Toxicity

Repeated exposure did not produce systemic toxicity when applied to the skin of rabbits. For the active ingredient(s): In animals, effects have been reported on the following organs: Kidney. Liver. Testes. Thyroid.

Chronic Toxicity and Carcinogenicity

Active ingredient did not cause cancer in laboratory animals. For the minor component(s): Methylene chloride has been shown to increase the incidence of malignant tumors in mice and benign tumors in rats. Other animal studies, as well as several human epidemiology studies, failed to show a tumorigenic response. Methylene chloride is not believed to pose a measurable carcinogenic risk to man when handled as recommended. Studies have shown that tumors observed in mice are unique to that species.

Carcinogenicity Classifications:

Component	List	Classification
Dichloromethane (methylene chloride)	ACGIH	Confirmed animal carcinogen with unknown relevance to humans.; Group A3
	IARC	Possibly carcinogenic to humans.; 2B

Developmental Toxicity

For the active ingredient(s): Did not cause birth defects or other effects in the fetus even at doses which caused toxic effects in the mother.

Reproductive Toxicity

In animal studies, active ingredient did not interfere with reproduction.

Genetic Toxicology

For the active ingredient(s): In vitro genetic toxicity studies were negative. Animal genetic toxicity studies were negative.

12. Ecological Information

Toxicity

Material is very highly toxic to aquatic organisms on an acute basis (LC50/EC50 <0.1 mg/L in the most sensitive species). Material is practically non-toxic to birds on an acute basis (LD50 > 2000 mg/kg).

Fish Acute & Prolonged Toxicity

LC50, *Oncorhynchus mykiss* (rainbow trout), static renewal, 96 h: > 45.8 mg/l

Aquatic Plant Toxicity

ErC50, *Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata* (green algae), 72 h: > 0.0066 mg/l

Toxicity to Above Ground Organisms

oral LD50, bobwhite (*Colinus virginianus*): > 2662 mg/kg bodyweight.

oral LD50, Honey bee (*Apis mellifera*): > 221 ug/bee

contact LD50, Honey bee (*Apis mellifera*): > 200 ug/bee

Toxicity to Soil Dwelling Organisms

LC50, Earthworm *Eisenia foetida*, adult: > 2,000 mg/kg

Persistence and Degradability

Data for Component: **Cloransulam-methyl**

Surface photodegradation is expected with exposure to sunlight. Material is not readily biodegradable according to OECD/EEC guidelines. Biodegradation rate may increase in soil and/or water with acclimation.

Stability in Water (1/2-life):

335.34 d; 2.39E-01 l/m₂s; 25 °C; pH 7; Estimated.

Indirect Photodegradation with OH Radicals

Rate Constant	Atmospheric Half-life	Method
1.082E-11 cm ³ /s	11.86 h	Estimated.

Data for Component: **Starch**

Biodegradation may occur under aerobic conditions (in the presence of oxygen).

Data for Component: **Dichloromethane (methylene chloride)**

Biodegradation may occur under aerobic conditions (in the presence of oxygen).

Biodegradation rate may increase in soil and/or water with acclimation.

OECD Biodegradation Tests:

Biodegradation	Exposure Time	Method	10 Day Window
66 %	50 h	Simulation study	Not applicable

Indirect Photodegradation with OH Radicals

Rate Constant	Atmospheric Half-life	Method
1.3E-13 cm ³ /s	79 - 110 d	Estimated.

Theoretical Oxygen Demand: 0.38 mg/mg

Bioaccumulative potential

Data for Component: **Cloransulam-methyl**

Partition coefficient, n-octanol/water (log Pow): 1.12 Measured

Bioconcentration Factor (BCF): 23.97; Estimated.

Data for Component: **Starch**

Bioaccumulation: No bioconcentration is expected because of the relatively high molecular weight (MW greater than 1000).

Data for Component: **Dichloromethane (methylene chloride)**

Bioaccumulation: Bioconcentration potential is low (BCF < 100 or Log Pow < 3).

Partition coefficient, n-octanol/water (log Pow): 1.25 Measured

Bioconcentration Factor (BCF): 2 - 40; fish; Measured

Mobility in soil

Data for Component: **Cloransulam-methyl**

Partition coefficient, soil organic carbon/water (K_{oc}): 12 - 262 Measured

Henry's Law Constant (H): 9.467E-13 atm*m³/mole; 25 °C Estimated.

Data for Component: **Starch**

Mobility in soil: No relevant data found.

Data for Component: **Dichloromethane (methylene chloride)**

Mobility in soil: Potential for mobility in soil is very high (Koc between 0 and 50).

Partition coefficient, soil organic carbon/water (Koc): 46.8 Estimated.

Henry's Law Constant (H): 3.98E+02 Pa*m3/mole. Calculated

13. Disposal Considerations

If wastes and/or containers cannot be disposed of according to the product label directions, disposal of this material must be in accordance with your local or area regulatory authorities. This information presented below only applies to the material as supplied. The identification based on characteristic(s) or listing may not apply if the material has been used or otherwise contaminated. It is the responsibility of the waste generator to determine the toxicity and physical properties of the material generated to determine the proper waste identification and disposal methods in compliance with applicable regulations. If the material as supplied becomes a waste, follow all applicable regional, national and local laws.

14. Transport Information

TDG Small container

NOT REGULATED

TDG Large container

NOT REGULATED

IMDG

Proper Shipping Name: ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S.

Technical Name: Cloransulam-methyl

Hazard Class: 9 **ID Number:** UN3077 **Packing Group:** PG III

EMS Number: f-a,s-f

Marine pollutant.: Yes

ICAO/IATA

Proper Shipping Name: ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES, SOLID, N.O.S.

Technical Name: Cloransulam-methyl

Hazard Class: CLASS 9 **ID Number:** UN 3077 **Packing Group:** PG III

Cargo Packing Instruction: 911

Passenger Packing Instruction: 911

15. Regulatory Information

CEPA - Domestic Substances List (DSL)

All substances contained in this product are listed on the Canadian Domestic Substances List (DSL) or are not required to be listed.

Hazardous Products Act Information: CPR Compliance

This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Canadian Controlled Products Regulations (CPR) and the MSDS contains all the information required by the CPR.

Hazardous Products Act Information: WHMIS Classification

Hazardous Products Act Information: Hazardous Ingredients

This product contains the following ingredients which are Controlled Products and/or are on the Ingredient Disclosure List (Canadian HPA Section 13 and 14).

Component	CAS #	Amount W/W
Dichloromethane (methylene chloride)	75-09-2	0.4%

Pest Control Products Act Registration number: 26697

National Fire Code of Canada

Not applicable

16. Other Information

Hazard Rating System

NFPA	Health	Fire	Reactivity
	1	0	1

Recommended Uses and Restrictions**Identified uses**

Product use: End use herbicide product

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Legend

N/A	Not available
W/W	Weight/Weight
OEL	Occupational Exposure Limit
STEL	Short Term Exposure Limit
TWA	Time Weighted Average
ACGIH	American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists, Inc.
DOW IHG	Dow Industrial Hygiene Guideline
WEEL	Workplace Environmental Exposure Level
HAZ_DES	Hazard Designation
VOL/VOL	Volume/Volume

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