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SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE AND OF THE COMPANY/UNDERTAKING

Product identifier:

Identification as on the label/Trade name: **ETHAPON 480 SL**

Additional information: ETHA SL/01

Relevant identification uses of the substance and uses advised against:

Identified uses: Plant growth regulator.

Uses advised against: Use only as directed.

Details of the supplier of the Safety Data Sheet:

AECI Limited
14 Field Road, LILANTON

Emergency telephone numbers:

Griffon Poison information centre: 082 446 8946
Poisons Information Helpline: 0861 555 777
AECI Limited: (011) 823 8000 (o/h) Spill Tech: 086 100 0366 (a/h)

SECTION 2. HAZARD IDENTIFICATION

Classification of the substances or mixture

The mixture is classified according to

SANS 10234:2019, Regulation EC 1272/2008 [EU-GHS/CLP]	
Hazard classes/Hazard categories	Hazard statement
Skin corrosion (Category 1B)	H314
Hazardous to the aquatic environment (Chronic 2)	H411

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The most important adverse effects

The most important adverse physiochemical effects: None.

The most important adverse human health effects: Corrosive to skin, eyes and respiratory tract.

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Label elements

Hazard pictograms:



Signal Word: Danger

Hazard Statements: H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage. H411 Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Precautionary Statements: P260 Do not breathe dust/ fume/ gas/ mist/ vapours/ spray. P264 Wash thoroughly after handling. P280 Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection. P305 + P351 + P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. P301 + P312 IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTRE or doctor/ physician if you feel unwell.

Special labelling of certain mixtures: None.

Other hazards: None.

SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Substance/Mixture: Mixture

Ingredients:

Substance name (IUPAC/EC)	CAS –No.	Concentration % By weight	Classification
	EC-No.		EC1272/2008
Ethephon	16672-87-0	30-40%	Acute toxicity oral, inhalation (Category 4) H312, H332. Acute toxicity dermal (Category 3) H311. Skin corrosion (Category 1B) H314. Aquatic chronic 2 H411.
	240-718-3		

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There are no additional ingredients present which, within the current knowledge of the supplier and in the concentrations applicable, are classified as hazardous to health or the environment and hence require reporting in this section.

Occupational exposure limits, if available, are listed in Section 8.

SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Description of first aid measures:

In case of inhalation: If inhaled, remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical attention.

In case of skin contact: In case of contact, immediately flush skin with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes while removing contaminated clothing and shoes. Wash clothing before reuse. Thoroughly clean shoes before reuse. Get medical attention immediately.

In case of eye contact: Check for and remove any contact lenses. In case of contact, immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Cold water may be used. Get medical attention immediately.

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In case of ingestion Do NOT induce vomiting unless directed to do so by medical personnel. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband. Get medical attention.

Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed:

Inhalation: Corrosive to the respiratory tract.

Ingestions: May be harmful if swallowed and cause burns.

Skin contact: Corrosive to the skin causes severe burns.

Eye contact: Causes serious eye damage.

Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed:

Treat symptomatically.

SECTION 5. FIRE -FIGHTING MEASURE

Extinguisher media:

Suitable extinguisher media: Use foam, dry chemical powder or carbon dioxide.

Unsuitable extinguishing media: High volume water jet.

Special hazards arising from the mixture:

Thermal decomposition produces HCl fumes.

Advice for fire-fighters:

Fire fighters should wear positive pressure self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) and full turnout gear. Be sure to use an approved/certified respirator or equivalent.

SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures:

For non-emergency personnel: Isolate area. Keep unnecessary and unprotected personnel from entering the area. Refer to Section 7, Handling, for additional precautionary measures. Use appropriate safety equipment. For additional information, refer to Section 8, Exposure Controls and Personal Protection.

For emergency responders: Use an approved/certified respirator or equivalent, isolate the spill area and limit the access to emergency responders only. Avoid any contact with spilled material, use adequate protective clothes and gloves.

Environmental precautions:

Prevent entry into sewers, basements or confined areas; dike if needed. Call for assistance on disposal.

Methods for containment and cleaning up:

For small spills Contain spilled material if possible. Collect in suitable and properly labelled containers. Absorb with materials such as: sand, earth, vermiculite or diatomaceous earth

For large spills Prevent entry into sewers, water courses, basements or confined areas. Wash spillages into an effluent treatment plant or proceed as follows. Contain and collect spillage with non-combustible, absorbent material e.g., sand, earth, vermiculite or diatomaceous earth and place in well labelled container for disposal according to local regulations.

Reference to other sections:

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See section 7 for information on safe handling.

See section 8 for information on personal protection equipment.

See section 13 for information on disposal.

Additional information:

None.

SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Precautions for safe handling:

Avoid prolonged contact with concentrate. Eating, drinking and smoking should be prohibited in areas where this material is handled, stored and processed. Workers should wash hands and face before eating, drinking and smoking. Remove contaminated clothing and protective equipment before entering eating areas. Do not get in eyes or on skin or clothing.

Protective measures: Observe directions on label and instructions for use.

Advice on general occupational hygiene: Do not eat drink or smoke when handling this product.

Conditions for safe storage, including incompatibilities:

Store product in a segregated and approved area. Keep container in a cool, well-ventilated area. Keep container tightly closed and sealed until ready for use.

Specific end uses:

Use as directed. Use original container.

SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Control parameters:

Occupational exposure limits (OEL): No information available.

Biological exposure indices (BEI): No information available.

Additional exposure limits under the conditions of use: No information available.

Exposure control:

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday. A Risk Assessment should be conducted before handling is to commence to determine specific exposure control.

Appropriate engineering controls: Provide exhaust ventilation or other engineering controls to keep the concentrations of vapours below their respective OEL's if applicable. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are proximal to the work-station location.

Hygiene measures: Wash hands, forearms and face thoroughly after handling chemical products, before eating, smoking and using the lavatory and at the end of the working period. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

Eye/face protection: Use safety glasses. If there is a potential for exposure to vapour which could cause eye discomfort, wear chemical goggles.

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Hand protection: Use chemical resistant gloves. Examples of preferred glove barrier materials include Nitrile/butadiene rubber, Polyethylene, Ethyl vinyl alcohol laminate, Polyvinyl alcohol, Polyvinyl chloride.

Body protection: Wear appropriate clothing for task or operation. Keep working clothes separately.

Respiratory protection: Not required under normal use but is required when ventilation is inadequate or discomfort is experienced; use an approved air-purifying respirator. Respiratory protection should be worn when there is a potential to exceed the exposure limit requirements or guidelines.

Environmental exposure controls: Prevent product from entry into sewers and water courses.

SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance (form): Liquid.

Colour: Colourless.

Odour: No information available.

Odour threshold: No information available.

pH (at concentration): 0.4 (100%)

Melting point/range (°C): No information available.

Boiling point/range (°C): No information available.

Flash point (°C): No information available.

Evaporation rate: No information available.

Flammability (solid, gas): No information available.

Ignition temperature (°C): No information available.

Upper/lower flammability/explosive limits: No information available.

Vapour pressure (20°C): No information available.

Vapour density: No information available.

Density (20°C): 1.211 g/ml

Water solubility (g/l) at 20°C: No information available.

n-Octanol/Water partition coefficient: No information available.

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Auto-ignition temperature: No information available.

Decomposition temperature: No information available.

Viscosity, dynamic (mPa s): No information available.

Physical hazards:

Explosive properties: No information available

Other information:

Fat solubility (solvent-oil to be specified): No information available.

Bulk density: No information available.

Dissociation constant in water (p Ka): No information available.

Oxidation-reduction potential: No information available.

SECTION 10. STABILITY AND RELIABILITY

Reactivity:

The product is stable under normal conditions.

Chemical stability:

Freezing will affect the physical condition but will not damage the product.

Possibility of hazardous reactions:

When heated strongly it melts and decompose releasing toxic fumes. Violent reaction or explosion may occur in cases of confinement of the product.

Conditions to avoid:

Elevated temperatures.

Incompatible materials:

Corrodes metals in the presence of water or moisture. Iron, zinc, copper, strong oxidising agents, mild steel, aluminium.

Hazardous decomposition products:

Thermal decomposition; hydrogen chloride (HCl); Carbon oxides. Risk of ethylene emission in case of increasing pH.

SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Toxicokinetics, metabolism and distribution:

Non-human toxicological data: No Information available.

Excretion: In animals ethephon, is rapidly excreted intact via the urine.

Information on toxicological effects:

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Acute toxicity:

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Dermal LD₅₀ for rats 2888 mg/kg (calculated).

Inhalation LC₅₀ (4 h) for rats 8.37 mg/ℓ for dust and mists (calculated).

Ethephon:

Acute toxicity oral LD₅₀ for rats 1564 mg/kg.

Dermal LD₅₀ for rats 1560 mg/kg.

Inhalation LC₅₀ (4 h) for rats 4.52 mg/ℓ.

Chronic toxicity: No information available.

Skin corrosion/irritation

Irritating to skin.

Serious eye damage/irritation

Irritating to eyes.

Respiratory or skin sensitization:

Non sensitization occurred in guinea pigs.

Germ cell mutagenicity: No information available.

Carcinogenicity: No information available.

Reproductive toxicity: No information available.

STOT-single exposure: No information available.

STOT-repeated exposure: No information available.

Aspiration hazard: No information available.

SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Toxicity:

Ethephon (tech):

Birds Dietary LC₅₀ (8 d) for Bobwhite quail >1072 mg/kg diet.

Fish: LC₅₀ (96 h) for carp >140, rainbow trout 720 mg/ℓ.

Daphnia: EC₅₀ (48 h) 1000 mg/ℓ.

Algae EC₅₀ (24-48 h) for *Chlorella vulgaris* 32 mg/ℓ.

Other aquatic spp.: Low toxicity

Bees: Harmless to bees.

Worms Not toxic to earthworms.

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Persistence and degradability:

No information available.

Bioaccumulative potential:

No information available.

Mobility in soil

No information available.

Results of PBT& vPvB assessment:

No information available.

Other adverse effects:

No information available.

SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste treatment methods:

Consider suitable waste recycling, re-use or recovery options. Dispose of in accordance with municipal, provincial and national regulations. Waste Classification and Management Regulations (GN 634 of 2013). Dispose and or manage in accordance with the requirements contained in R634 Waste Classification & Management Regulations, R635 National Norms & Standards for the Assessment of Waste for Landfill Disposal and R636 National Norms & Standards for Disposal of Waste to Landfill.

Product/ packaging disposal:

Containers must be triple rinsed with water, punctured and disposed of in specified landfill areas. Containers are not to be reused and should be punctured, flattened and transported to a facility for recycling or disposal in approved landfill site. Comply with any local legislation applying to disposal.

SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

	Land transport (ADR/RID)	Sea transport (IMDG)	Air transport (ICAO/IATA)
UN-Number	3265	3265	3265
UN Proper shipping name:	CORROSIVE LIQUID, ACIDIC, ORGANIC, N.O.S. (Ethephon)	CORROSIVE LIQUID, ACIDIC, ORGANIC, N.O.S. (Ethephon)	CORROSIVE LIQUID, ACIDIC, ORGANIC, N.O.S. (Ethephon)
Transport hazard class:	8	8	8
Packaging group:	II	II	II
Marine pollutant:	Yes	Yes	Yes
Special precautions for user:	Not required	Not required	Not required
Transport in bulk according to MARPOL 73/78 Annex II and the IBC code	Not required	Not required	Not required

Inland waterways: Not required

Emergency response information: No information.

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SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation for the mixture:

Relevant information regarding authorization: Occupational Health and Safety Act 1993. Regulation for Hazardous Chemical Agents, 2021. UN Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods Model Regulations Rev. 21 (2019), Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS) Rev 9, 2019.

ACGIH: American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH)

Relevant information regarding restrictions: None.

EU regulations: Regulation EC 1272/2008 [EU-GHS/CLP] and EU directives 67/548/EEC or EC 1999/45/EC.

Other National regulations: National Road Traffic Act, 1996 (ACT NO. 93 of 1996). SANS 10228:2012- The identification and classification of dangerous goods for transport by road and rail modes. National Environmental Management: Waste Act 59 of 2008.

Chemical Safety Assessment carried out? No

SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION

Indication of changes:

All sections updated.

Relevant classification and H statements (number and full text):

Aquatic chronic 2- Hazardous to the aquatic environment (Chronic 2)

H312+ H332 Harmful if inhaled or contact with skin. H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage. H411 Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Training instructions:

Use as indicated on the label, special training may be required for application.

Further information:

This information is based upon the present state of our knowledge. This SDS has been compiled and is solely intended for this product.

Notice to readers:

Employers should use this information only as a supplement to other information gathered by them and should make independent judgement of suitability of this information to ensure proper use and protect the health and safety of employees.

This information is furnished without warranty, and any use of the product not in conformance with this Safety Data Sheet, or in combination with any other product or process, is the responsibility of the user.