



Noble Earth Technologies

Vision Guard

MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

COMPANY DETAILS

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Not classified as hazardous according to the criteria of NOHSC Australia.

I IDENTIFICATION

Product Name: Noble Earth Technologies Vision Guard
Other Names: Proper Shipping Name is ETHANOL SOLUTION
Product Code: None.
UN No: 1170
Hazchem Code: 2[Y]E
Dangerous Goods Class: 3 Flammable liquids.
Sub Risk Class: None allocated.
Packaging Group: II
Most EPGs may now be substituted by the Initial Emergency Response Guide, available from Standards Australia.
Poison Schedule: Not scheduled.
Chemical Family: Blend of ingredients (see below).
Uses: Water and stain protection for masonry surfaces.

Physical Appearance & Properties

Appearance & Odour: Clear, colourless liquid. Mild alcohol odour.
Melting/softening point: No specific data. Liquid at normal temperatures.
Boiling point and vapour pressure: 81°C at 100kPa
Volatile materials: >80%
Flashpoint: 12°C (Abel)
Flammability limits: Upper Value: 19% : Lower Value: 3.3%
Specific gravity: 0.824
Solubility in water: Completely soluble.
Corrosiveness: Not corrosive.
Viscosity: 1.12mPa.s at 20°C
Vapour Pressure: 0.66kPa at 20°C

<u>Ingredients:</u> Chemical entity	CAS No	Proportion %	Worksafe Exposure Limits	
			TWA mg/m ³	STEL mg/m ³
ethanol	64-17-5	>60	1880	not set
Acetic acid	64-19-7	<1	25	37
Other non hazardous ingredients	secret	to 100	not set	not set

This is a commercial product whose exact ratio of components may vary. Trace quantities of impurities are also likely.

II HEALTH HAZARD DATA

Health Effects:

No specific data is available for the product for chronic exposure symptoms. The ingredients are not listed as carcinogenic in Worksafe's document "Exposure Standards for Atmospheric Contaminants in the Occupational Environment" (May 1995), nor in NOHSC's "List of Designated Hazardous Substances" (April 1999).

Acute Effects:

Swallowed: Single dose oral toxicity is considered to be low. No hazards are anticipated from swallowing small amounts incidental to normal handling operations.

Eye: This product is mildly irritating to the eyes. It is likely to cause mild discomfort such as watering and redness of the eyes. However, this should quickly disappear once exposure is over.

Skin: This product may be mildly irritating to skin. However, it is unlikely to cause any more than mild transient discomfort. It is also unlikely to cause any lasting effects.

Inhalation: No inhalation hazards incidental to normal handling operations are anticipated from this product when used at room temperatures.

First Aid:

If poisoning occurs, contact a Doctor or Poisons Information Centre. Phone 13 1126 from anywhere in Australia. If possible have this MSDS or product label with you.

Swallowed: If swallowed, do NOT induce vomiting. Wash mouth with water and give a glass of water to drink.

Eyes: If product gets in eyes, wash material from them with running water. If they begin watering or reddening, take special care in washing thoroughly.

Skin: If product gets on skin, thoroughly wash contacted areas. No further measures should normally be required unless irritation is noticed. If irritation persists, seek medical attention.

Inhalation: No first aid measures normally required. However, if vapours or mists have been inhaled, and irritation has developed, remove to fresh air and observe until recovered. If irritation becomes painful or persists more than about 30 minutes, seek medical advice.

Advice to Doctor: Treat symptomatically. Note the nature of this product.

III PRECAUTIONS FOR USE**Exposure Standards:**

A time weighted average (TWA) has been established for ethanol, present in significant quantities in this product. This value is 1880mg/m³. The corresponding STEL level is "not set". The STEL (Short Term Exposure Limit) is an exposure value that should not be exceeded for more than 15 minutes and should not be repeated for more than 4 times per day. There should be at least 60 minutes between successive exposures at the STEL. The exposure value at the TWA is the average airborne concentration of a particular substance when calculated over a normal 8 hour working day for a 5 day working week. See ingredients section on page 1 of this data sheet.

Engineering Controls:

In industrial situations, concentration values below the TWA value should be maintained. Values may be reduced by process modification, use of local exhaust ventilation, capturing substances at the source, or other methods. If you believe air borne concentrations of mists, dusts or vapours are high, you are advised to modify the process or environment to reduce the problem.

Personal Protection:

The following instructions are meant for people coming into frequent and lengthy contact with this product. For occasional use, take precautions suitable for the conditions under which the product is being used.

Respiratory Protection: It is usually safe to not use a dust mask or respirator protection on account of this product. However, if the product is being used in dusty or confined conditions, use of a mask or respirator may be preferred. For help in selecting suitable equipment, consult AS/NZS 1715.

Protective Gloves: Impermeable protective gloves (eg rubber, PVC) should be worn when you are using this product, to prevent irritation. For help in selecting suitable equipment, consult AS 2161.

Eye Protection: Protective eyewear is suggested when using this product. It is always prudent to use protective eyewear. Consult AS1336 and AS/NZS 1337 for advice on Industrial Eye Protection.

Clothing: This product is essentially safe to use without special protective clothing. However, its use is recommended as a good industrial practice. Consult AS2919 for advice on Industrial Clothing.

Safety Boots: Wearing safety boots in industrial situations is advisory. Consult AS/NZS2210 for advice on Occupational Protective Footwear.

Always wash hands before smoking, eating or using the toilet. Wash contaminated clothing and other protective equipment before storing or re-using.

IV SAFE HANDLING INFORMATION**Storage & Transport**

This product is classed as UN1170, Dangerous Goods Class 3 Flammable liquids. Proper Shipping name is ETHANOL SOLUTION. Class 3 Flammable Liquids shall not be loaded in the same vehicle or packed in the same freight container with Classes 1 (Explosives), 2.1 (Flammable Gases where flammable liquids and flammable gases are both in bulk), 2.3 (Toxic Gases), 4.2 (Spontaneously Combustible Substances), 5.1 (Oxidising Agents), 5.2 (Organic Peroxides), 6 (Toxic Substances, except Flammable Liquid is nitromethane), and 7 (Radioactive Substances). They may however be loaded in the same vehicle or packed in the same freight container with Classes 2.1 (Flammable Gases except where the Flammable Liquids and Flammable Gases are in bulk), 2.2 (Non-Flammable Non-Toxic Gases), 4.1 (Flammable Solids), 4.3 (Dangerous When Wet Substances), 6 (Toxic Substances, except where Flammable Liquid is nitromethane), 8 (Corrosive Substances), 9 (Miscellaneous Dangerous Goods), Foodstuffs or foodstuff empties.

Not a Scheduled Poison. Containers should be kept closed in order to minimise contamination. Keep from extreme heat and open flames, and make sure that the product does not come into contact with substances listed under "Materials to avoid" below.

Spills & Disposals

In the event of a major spill, prevent spillage from entering drains or water courses. Evacuate the spill area and deny entry to unnecessary and unprotected personnel. Immediately call the Fire Brigade. As a minimum, wear overalls, goggles and gloves. Stop leak if safe to do so, and contain spill. Absorb onto sand, vermiculite or other suitable absorbent material. Avoid using sawdust or other combustible material. Sweep up and shovel or collect recoverable product into labeled containers for recycling or salvage, and dispose of promptly. Recycle containers wherever possible. After spills, wash area preventing runoff from entering drains. If a significant quantity of material enters drains, advise emergency services. This material may be suitable for approved landfill. Dispose of only in accord with all regulations.

Fire & Explosion Hazard

This product is classified as a C1 combustible product. There is a moderate risk of an explosion from this product if it is involved in a fire.

Firefighters should take care and appropriate precautions.

Flashpoint: 12°C (Abel)

Flammability limits: Upper Value: 19% : Lower Value: 3.3% (ethanol)

Extinguishing Media: carbon dioxide, dry chemical, foam, water fog. Water fog or fine spray is the preferred medium for large fires.

Special Fire Fighting procedures: If a significant quantity of this product is involved in a fire, call the fire brigade. Immediately evacuate the area of unnecessary personnel. When fighting fires involving significant quantities of this product, wear safety boots, non-flammable overalls, gloves, hat, goggles and respirator. All skin areas should be covered. Ensure that no spillage enters drains or water courses.

Unusual Fire & Explosion Hazards: Fire decomposition products from this product may form toxic mixtures in confined spaces. Vapours from this product are heavier than air and may accumulate in sumps, pits and other low-lying spaces, forming potentially explosive mixtures. They may also flash back considerable distances.

Stability: This product is unlikely to spontaneously decompose.

Polymerisation: This product is unlikely to spontaneously polymerise.

Decomposition Products: Carbon dioxide, and if combustion is incomplete, carbon monoxide and smoke. Water.

Materials to avoid: strong oxidising agents.

Note: This product is classed as a Dangerous Good. We suggest you consult your state's Dangerous Goods laws in order to clarify your obligations regarding the storage of this product.