

## Dy-quat™

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### 1. SUBSTANCE/PREPARATION AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

**Chemical name of active ingredient(s):** 200 g/L Diquat  
**Recommended use:** Herbicide

**Supplier:** Etec Crop Solutions Ltd  
**Emergency telephone number:** 0800 Poison (0800 764 766) 24 Hours

### 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

**Hazard Classification:** 6.1C, 6.3A, 6.9A, 8.1A, 9.1A, 9.3C  
**Required identification Details:** May be fatal if swallowed, inhaled or absorbed through the skin.  
May cause skin irritation.  
May cause eye damage from repeated oral exposure at high Dose rates.  
Product can decompose at high temperatures forming toxic gases

### 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

#### Substance/preparation Information on hazardous ingredients

Common name	CAS No	%
Diquat as dibromide	85-00-7	20%
Inerts		to 1170 g/L

Ingredients not precisely identified are proprietary or non-hazardous. Values are not product specifications.

### 4. FIRST-AID MEASURES

#### Description of necessary first aid measures:

#### Effects and symptoms

#### First-aid measures

#### **Inhalation:**

Move person to fresh air. If person is not breathing, call an ambulance, then give artificial respiration, preferably mouth-to-mouth if possible. Call a poison control centre or doctor for further treatment advice.

#### **Ingestion:**

Call a poison control centre or doctor immediately for treatment advice. Have the person sip a glass of water if able to swallow. Do not induce vomiting unless told to do so by a poison control centre or doctor. Do not give anything by

mouth to an unconscious person.

**Skin contact:**

If on skin or clothing: Take off contaminated clothing. Rinse skin immediately with plenty of water for 15- 20 minutes. Call a poison control centre or doctor for treatment advice

**Eye contact:**

If in eyes: Hold eye open and rinse slowly and gently with water for 15-20 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present, after 5 minutes, then continue rinsing eye. Call a poison control centre or doctor for treatment advice

**Notes to a physician:**

There is no specific antidote if this product is ingested. Treat symptomatically

**Workplace facilities:**

**Required Instructions:**

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## 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

**HAZCHEM Code:**

**Extinguishing media :**

Use dry chemical, foam or CO<sub>2</sub> extinguishing media. Wear full protective clothing and self-contained breathing apparatus. Evacuate nonessential personnel from the area to prevent human exposure to fire, smoke, fumes or products of combustion. Prevent use of contaminated buildings, area, and equipment until decontaminated. Water runoff can cause environmental damage. If water is used to fight fire, dike and collect runoff.

**Hazardous thermal (de)composition products:**

This product may form flammable and explosive hydrogen gas when in contact with aluminum.

**Protection of fire-fighters:**

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## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

**Personal precautions:**

**Environmental precautions:**

**Methods for cleaning up:**

Control the spill at its source. Contain the spill to prevent it from spreading, contaminating soil, or entering sewage and drainage systems or any body of water. Clean up spills immediately, observing precautions outlined in Section 8. If a solid, sweep up material and place in a compatible disposal container. If a liquid, cover entire spill with absorbing material and place into compatible disposal container. Scrub area with hard water detergent. Pick up wash liquid with additional absorbent and place into compatible disposal container. Once all material is cleaned up and placed in a disposal container, seal container

and arrange for disposition.

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## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

### Handling:

This product reacts with aluminum to produce flammable hydrogen gas. Do not mix or store in containers or systems made of aluminum or having aluminum fittings.

### Storage:

Store the material in a well-ventilated, secure area out of reach of children and domestic animals. Do not store food, beverages or tobacco products in the storage area. Prevent eating, drinking, tobacco use, and cosmetic application in areas where there is a potential for exposure to the material. Wash thoroughly with soap and water after handling.

### Packaging materials:

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## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

### Workplace Exposure Guidelines

The following recommendations for exposure controls/ personal protection are intended for the manufacture, formulation and packaging of the product.

For commercial applications and on-farm applications consult.

### Workplace exposure standards:

### Application in the workplace:

### Exposure Standards outside:

### The workplace:

### Engineering measures

### Hierarchy of controls:

### Exposure control measures:

### No Hazard indication:

### Ventilation specification:

### Personal Protective Equipment

### Detail specifications for equipment:

### Respiratory system:

Use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to keep airborne levels below exposure limits. A NIOSH-certified combination air-purifying respirator with an N, P or R 95 or HE class filter and an organic vapour cartridge may be permissible under certain circumstances where airborne concentrations are expected to exceed exposure limits. Protection provided by air-purifying respirators is limited. Use a pressure demand atmosphere-supplying\respirator if there is any potential for uncontrolled

release, exposure levels are not known, or under any other circumstances where air-purifying respirators may not provide adequate protection.

**Skin and body:**

Where contact is likely, wear chemical-resistant (such as Nitrile or butyl) gloves, coveralls, socks and chemical-resistant footwear. For overhead exposure, wear chemical-resistant headgear.

**Hands:**

**Eyes:**

Where eye contact is likely, use chemical splash goggles. Facilities storing or utilizing this material should be equipped with an eyewash facility and a safety shower.

**Ingestion:**

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## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

<b>Physical State:</b>	Reddish brown liquid
<b>Colour:</b>	Reddish brown
<b>Odour:</b>	slight odor
<b>pH:</b>	
<b>Vapour Pressure:</b>	<10 <sup>-8</sup> mmHg at 25°C
<b>Vapour Density:</b>	
<b>Boiling Point:</b>	NA
<b>Freezing/melting point:</b>	NA
<b>Solubility:</b>	718,000 mg/L at 20°C and pH 7.2
<b>Specific gravity or density:</b>	1.17 g/mL at 20°C
<b>Information for flammable material including:</b>	NA
- Lower and upper flammability limits	
- Flashpoint (state test Method)	
<b>Auto – ignition Temperature:</b>	NA
<b>Octanol/water partition coefficient:</b>	
<b>Explosion properties:</b>	
<b>Oxidation properties:</b>	

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## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**Stability:**

Stable under normal use and storage conditions.

**Conditions to avoid:**

Concentrate should not be stored in aluminium containers. Spray solutions should not be mixed, stored or applied in containers other than plastic, plastic-lined steel, stainless steel or fibreglass.

<b>Materials to avoid:</b>	Strong alkalis and anionic wetting agents (e.g., alkyl and alkylaryl sulfonates). Corrosive to aluminium.
<b>Hazardous decomposition Products:</b>	Can decompose at high temperatures forming toxic gases. Flammable hydrogen gas may be formed on contact with aluminium. See "Conditions to Avoid", Section 10.
<b>Hazardous polymerization:</b>	Will not occur.
<b>Specific Data:</b>	
<b>Hazardous reactions :</b>	

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## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION (Finished product)

<b>Acute toxicity – Oral LD<sub>50</sub> :</b>	1080mg/Kg for male rats and 1260mg/Kg for female rats.
<b>Acute toxicity – Dermal LD<sub>50</sub> :</b>	More than 5000mg/Kg for rats.
<b>Acute toxicity – Inhalation:</b>	
<b>Skin irritation :</b>	Slight irritant.
<b>Eye irritation:</b>	non irritant.
<b>Sensitization :</b>	Not a sensitizer
<b>Neurotoxicity</b>	No evidence for neurotoxic effects in rats dosed up to 400ppm ion in the diet for 13 weeks.
<b>Chronic toxicity :</b> Diquat dibromide:	Kidney weight decreases and cataracts seen in dogs at 12.5 mg ion/kg/d.
<b>Carcinogenicity:</b> Diquat dibromide:	No evidence of carcinogenicity in rat and mouse studies.
<b>Mutagenicity:</b>	
<b>Reproduction toxicity:</b> Diquat dibromide:	Mutagenicity: No evidence in in vivo assays. Development Toxicity: In rabbit studies a small percentage of fetuses had minor defects at 3 and 10 mg ion/kg/d.
<b>Other information :</b> Diquat dibromide:	Target organs: Eye, kidney

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## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Diquat dibromide:

### Ecotoxicity

<b>Fish</b>	LC <sub>50</sub> (96 h) for rainbow trout 39, mirror carp 125 mg/l
<b>Daphnia magna</b>	LC <sub>50</sub> (48 h) 2.2 ug/l
<b>Algae</b>	EC <sub>50</sub> (96 h) 21 ug/l.
<b>Bees</b>	LD <sub>50</sub> (oral, 120 h) 22 ug/bee.
<b>Birds</b>	Acute oral LD <sub>50</sub> for mallard ducks 155, partridges 295 mg/kg
<b>Worms:</b>	LC <sub>50</sub> (14 d) 243 mg/kg.

**Persistence/degradability Soil**

Rapidly degraded by soil micro-organisms, DT<sub>50</sub> of unadsorbed diquat <1 w; strong binding in soil increases persistence. Strongly bound and inactivated by soil and aquatic sediments and does not leach into groundwater; Kd >10 000.

**Environmental Fate:**

No data available for the formulation. The information presented here is for the active ingredient, diquat dibromide.

**Animals:**

In rats, following oral administration of diquat dibromide, the dose is completely eliminated in the urine and faeces within 4 days.

**Plants:**

Metabolic breakdown of diquat dibromide does not occur in plants. On plant surfaces, photochemical degradation occurs.

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**13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS****Methods of disposal :**

Product disposal: This product is toxic by inhalation and skin absorption and must be handled with caution. Do not contaminate waterways by cleaning of equipment or by disposal of wastes. Untreated effluent should not be discharged where it will drain into lakes, streams, or ponds. Disposal should be in accordance with local, state or national legislation.

Container disposal: Do not distribute or make available, furnish or reuse product containers. Remove all product residues from container and puncture or otherwise destroy empty container before disposal.

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**14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION****International transport regulations****International transport regulations:**

**UN number:** 1760

**DG Class:** 8

**Packing Group:** III

**Proper shipping name :**

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**15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

**ACVM Registered Number:** P8148  
**HSNO Approval Code:** HSR000446

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## **16. OTHER INFORMATION**

### **Additional information:**

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