

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

### 1. Product and Company Identification

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**Product Name:** Descaling Fluid  
**Product Code:** 9024, 9025  
**Intended Use:** Solution for Removing Scale from Commercial Warewashers  
**Chemical Nature:** Liquid - Mixture

### 2. Hazards Identification

**Hazardous Chemical** according to classification by Safe Work Australia  
**Dangerous Goods** according to the Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail

**GHS Classification:** Skin Corrosion – Sub category 1B  
Eye Damage Category 1  
Corrosive to Metals – Category 1



**GHS Signal Word:** DANGER

**Hazard Statement(s):**  
H290 May be corrosive to metals.  
H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

**Precautionary Statement(s):**

**Prevention:**

P234 Keep only in original container.  
P260 Do not breathe dust / fume / gas / mist / vapours / spray.  
P264 Wash hands thoroughly after handling.  
P280 Wear protective gloves / protective clothing / eye protection / face protection

**Response:**

P301+P330+P331 IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.  
P303+P361+P353 IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.  
P363 Wash contaminated clothing before re-use.  
P321 Specific treatment (see First Aid Measures on Safety Data Sheet).  
P304+P340 IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.  
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 CENTER or doctor/physician.  
P390 Absorb spillage to prevent material damage.

**Storage:**

P405 Store locked up.  
P406 Store in corrosive resistant container with a resistant inner liner.

**Disposal:**

P501 Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.

**Poisons Schedule (SUSMP):** S6 Poison.

**Disposal:** P501 Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local regulations.

### 3. Composition / Information on Ingredients

#### Ingredients Names and Proportions

Chemical Entity	Cas Number	Proportion(%)
Orthophosphoric Acid	7664-38-2	>40
Surfactant Blend	n/a	<3

### 4. First aid Measures

For advice, contact a Poisons Information Centre (e.g. phone Australia 131 126; New Zealand 0800 764 766) or a doctor.

#### Inhalation:

Remove victim from area of exposure - avoid becoming a casualty. Remove contaminated clothing and loosen remaining clothing. Allow patient to assume most comfortable position and keep warm. Keep at rest until fully recovered. For all but the most minor symptoms arrange for patient to be seen by a doctor as soon as possible, either on site or at the nearest hospital.

#### Skin Contact:

If spilt on large areas of skin or hair, immediately drench with running water and remove clothing. Continue to wash skin and hair with plenty of water (and soap if material is insoluble) until advised to stop by the Poisons Information Centre or a doctor.

#### Eye Contact:

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

#### Ingestion:

Immediately rinse mouth with water. If swallowed, do NOT induce vomiting. Give a glass of water. Seek immediate medical assistance.

**Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed:** Treat symptomatically. Can cause corneal burns.

### 5. Fire Fighting Measures

#### Suitable Extinguishing Media:

Not combustible, however, if material is involved in a fire use: Fine water spray, normal foam, dry agent (carbon dioxide, dry chemical powder).

#### Unsuitable Extinguishing Media:

Water jet.

**Hazchem or Emergency Action Code:** 2R

#### Specific hazards arising from the substance or mixture:

Non-combustible material.

#### Special protective equipment and precautions for fire-fighters:

Decomposes on heating emitting toxic fumes, including those of oxides of phosphorus. Fire fighters to wear self-contained breathing apparatus and suitable protective clothing if risk of exposure to products of decomposition. Keep containers cool with water spray.

### 6. Accidental Release Measures

#### Emergency procedures/Environmental precautions:

Clear area of all unprotected personnel. If contamination of sewers or waterways has occurred advise local emergency services.

**Personal precautions/Protective equipment/Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up:** Slippery when spilt. Avoid accidents, clean up immediately. Wear protective equipment to prevent skin and eye contact and breathing in vapours. Work up wind or increase ventilation. Contain - prevent run off into drains and waterways. Use absorbent (soil, sand or other inert material). Neutralise with lime or soda ash. Collect and seal in properly labelled containers or drums for disposal. Wash area down with excess water.

## 7. Handling and Storage

This material is a Scheduled Poison S6 and must be stored, maintained and used in accordance with the relevant regulations.

### **Precautions for safe handling:**

Avoid skin and eye contact and breathing in vapour, mists and aerosols. Keep out of reach of children.

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

Store in a cool, dry, well ventilated place and out of direct sunlight. Protect from freezing. Store away from foodstuffs. Store away from incompatible materials described in Section 10. Keep containers closed when not in use - check regularly for leaks. To prevent crystallization of concentrated phosphoric acid solutions, minimum storage temperatures are 21°C for 85% solutions and 4°C for 80% solutions.

## 8. Exposure Controls and Personal Protection

**Control Parameters:** No value assigned for this specific material by Safe Work Australia. However, Workplace Exposure Standard(s) for constituent(s):

Phosphoric acid: 8hr TWA = 1 mg/m<sup>3</sup>, 15 min STEL = 3 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

As published by Safe Work Australia Workplace Exposure Standards for Airborne Contaminants.

TWA - The time-weighted average airborne concentration of a particular substance when calculated over an eight-hour working day, for a five-day working week.

STEL (Short Term Exposure Limit) - the airborne concentration of a particular substance calculated as a time-weighted average over 15 minutes, which should not be exceeded at any time during a normal eight hour work day. According to current knowledge this concentration should neither impair the health of, nor cause undue discomfort to, nearly all workers.

These Workplace Exposure Standards are guides to be used in the control of occupational health hazards. All atmospheric contamination should be kept to as low a level as is workable. These workplace exposure standards should not be used as fine dividing lines between safe and dangerous concentrations of chemicals. They are not a measure of relative toxicity.

### **Appropriate engineering controls:**

Ensure ventilation is adequate and that air concentrations of components are controlled below quoted Workplace Exposure Standards. If inhalation risk exists: Use with local exhaust ventilation or while wearing suitable mist respirator. Keep containers closed when not in use.

### **Individual protection measures, such as Personal Protective Equipment (PPE):**

The selection of PPE is dependent on a detailed risk assessment. The risk assessment should consider the work situation, the physical form of the chemical, the handling methods, and environmental factors.

GOGGLES, FACE SHIELD, GLOVES (Long), APRON, RUBBER BOOTS.

Wear overalls, chemical goggles, face shield, elbow-length impervious gloves, splash apron or equivalent chemical impervious outer garment, and rubber boots. Always wash hands before smoking, eating, drinking or using the toilet. Wash contaminated clothing and other protective equipment before storage or re-use.

If determined by a risk assessment an inhalation risk exists, wear a suitable mist respirator meeting the requirements of AS/NZS 1715 and AS/NZS 1716.

## 9. Physical and Chemical Properties

<b>Physical state:</b>	Clear Liquid
<b>Colour:</b>	Colourless
<b>Odour:</b>	Odourless
<b>Solubility:</b>	Miscible in water.
<b>Specific Gravity:</b>	1.38 @ 15.5°C.
<b>Relative Vapour Density (air=1):</b>	Not available
<b>Flash Point (°C):</b>	Not applicable
<b>Flammability Limits (%):</b>	Not applicable
<b>Autoignition Temperature (°C):</b>	Not available
<b>pH:</b>	ca. 1

## 10. Stability and Reactivity

<b>Reactivity:</b>	Corrodes metals.
<b>Chemical stability:</b>	Stable under normal ambient and anticipated storage and handling conditions of temperature and pressure.
<b>Possibility of hazardous reactions:</b>	Hazardous polymerisation will not occur. Reacts with metals liberating flammable hydrogen gas.
<b>Conditions to avoid:</b>	Avoid contact with foodstuffs.
<b>Incompatible materials:</b>	Phosphoric acid is incompatible with strong oxidising agents, reducing agents, sulfides, phosphides, cyanides, acetylides, fluorides, silicides, carbides, strong caustic material, alloys, glass, leather, natural rubber, fluorine gas, and arsenic trioxide.
<b>Hazardous decomposition products:</b>	Oxides of phosphorus.

## 11. Toxicological Information

No adverse health effects expected if the product is handled in accordance with this Safety Data Sheet and the product label. Symptoms or effects that may arise if the product is mishandled and overexposure occurs are:

<b>Ingestion:</b>	Swallowing can result in nausea, vomiting, diarrhoea, abdominal pain and chemical burns to the gastrointestinal tract.
<b>Eye contact:</b>	A severe eye irritant. Corrosive to eyes; contact can cause corneal burns. Contamination of eyes can result in permanent injury.
<b>Skin contact:</b>	Contact with skin will result in severe irritation. Corrosive to skin - may cause skin burns.
<b>Inhalation:</b>	Breathing in mists or aerosols may produce respiratory irritation.
<b>Acute toxicity:</b>	No LD50 data available for the product. For the constituent Phosphoric acid : Oral LD50 (rat): 1250 mg/kg
<b>Chronic effects:</b>	Prolonged exposures can cause necrosis of nasal passages and oedema of lungs.

## 12. Ecological Information

**Ecotoxicity** Avoid contaminating waterways

## 13 Disposal Considerations

### Disposal methods:

Refer to Waste Management Authority. Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.

## 14. Transport Information

### Road and Rail Transport

Classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the Australian Dangerous Goods Code (ADG Code) for Transport by Road and Rail; DANGEROUS GOODS.

**UN No:** 1805  
**Transport Hazard Class:** 8 Corrosive  
**Packing Group:** III  
**Proper Shipping Name or Technical Name:** PHOSPHORIC ACID, SOLUTION 2R  
**Hazchem or Emergency Action Code:**



### Marine Transport

Classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG Code) for transport by sea; DANGEROUS GOODS.

**UN No:** 1805  
**Transport Hazard Class:** 8 Corrosive  
**Packing Group:** III  
**Proper Shipping Name or Technical Name:** PHOSPHORIC ACID SOLUTION  
**IMDG EMS Fire:** F-A  
**IMDG EMS Spill:** S-B

### Air Transport

Classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the International Air Transport Association (IATA) Dangerous Goods Regulations for transport by air; DANGEROUS GOODS.

**UN No:** 1805  
**Transport Hazard Class:** 8 Corrosive  
**Packing Group:** III  
**Proper Shipping Name or Technical Name:** PHOSPHORIC ACID, SOLUTION

## 15. Regulatory Information

### Classification:

This material is hazardous according to Safe Work Australia; HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE.

### Classification of the substance or mixture:

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All the constituents of this material are listed on the Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS).

**16. Other Information**

**This SDS contains only safety related information. For other information see product literature.**

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