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# SAFETY DATA SHEET

YaraRega Aquaflex 18

## SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

Product identifier : YaraRega Aquaflex 18  
Product type : Solid (granulates)  
Product code : PKEXNG  
Uses  
Area of application : Professional applications  
Material uses : Fertilizers.  
Supplier  
Supplier's details : Yara Africa Fertilizers (Pty) Ltd

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### National advisory body/Poison Center

Name : Poison Information Centre  
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## SECTION 2: Hazards identification

**Classification of the substance or mixture.** : SERIOUS EYE DAMAGE/ EYE IRRITATION - Category 2A  
TOXIC TO REPRODUCTION - Category 1B

### GHS label elements

**Hazard pictograms**



**Signal word**

: Danger

**Hazard statements**

: H319 Causes serious eye irritation.  
H360 May damage fertility or the unborn child.

**Precautionary statements**

**Prevention**

: P202 Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.  
P280 Wear protective gloves/clothing and eye/face protection.  
P264+P265 Wash hands thoroughly after handling. Do not touch eyes.

**Response**

: P308 IF exposed or concerned:  
P313 Get medical attention.  
P305 IF IN EYES:  
P351 Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes.  
P338 Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.  
P337 If eye irritation persists:  
P313 Get medical attention.

**Storage**

: P405 Store locked up.

**Disposal**

: P501 Dispose of contents and container in accordance with all local, regional, national and international regulations.

**Other hazards which do not result in classification** : None known.

**Additional information** : Product forms slippery surface when combined with water.

## Section 3. Composition/information on ingredients

**Substance/mixture** : Mixture

<b>Ingredient name</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>CAS number</b>
ammonium nitrate	>= 45 - <= 50	6484-52-2
potassium nitrate	>= 1 - <= 2	7757-79-1
disodium tetraborate pentahydrate	>= 0,3 - < 1	12179-04-3
zinc sulphate (monohydrate)	>= 0,2 - <= 0,25	7446-19-7

**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.**

**Remark :** This product contains Boron (see section 7 and 11).

## Section 4. First aid measures

### Description of necessary first aid measures

- Eye contact :** Rinse with plenty of running water. Check for and remove any contact lenses. If irritation persists, get medical attention.
- Inhalation :** If inhaled, remove to fresh air. In case of inhalation of decomposition products in a fire, symptoms may be delayed. Get medical attention if you feel unwell. The exposed person may need to be kept under medical surveillance for 48 hours.
- Skin contact :** Wash with soap and water. Get medical attention if irritation develops.
- Ingestion :** Wash out mouth with water. If material has been swallowed and the exposed person is conscious, give small quantities of water to drink. Do not induce vomiting unless directed to do so by medical personnel. Get medical attention if you feel unwell.

### Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed

#### Potential acute health effects

- Eye contact :** Causes serious eye irritation.
- Inhalation :** Exposure to decomposition products may cause a health hazard. Serious effects may be delayed following exposure.
- Skin contact :** No known significant effects or critical hazards.
- Ingestion :** Irritating to mouth, throat and stomach.

#### Over-exposure signs/symptoms

- Eye contact :** Adverse symptoms may include the following: pain or irritation, watering, redness
- Inhalation :** No specific data.
- Skin contact :** No specific data.
- Ingestion :** No specific data.

### Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed, if necessary

- Notes to physician :** Treat symptomatically. Contact poison treatment specialist immediately if large quantities have been ingested or inhaled. In case of inhalation of decomposition products in a fire, symptoms may be delayed. The exposed person may need to be kept under medical surveillance for 48 hours.
- Specific treatments :** No specific treatment.
- Protection of first-aiders :** No action shall be taken involving any personal risk or without suitable training.

See toxicological information (Section 11)

## SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

### Extinguishing media

- Suitable extinguishing media** : Use flooding quantities of water for extinction.
- Unsuitable extinguishing media** : Do NOT use chemical extinguisher or foam or attempt to smother the fire with steam or sand.
- Specific hazards arising from the chemical** : The product itself is not combustible but it can support combustion, even in absence of air. On heating it melts and further heating can cause decomposition, releasing toxic fumes containing nitrogen oxides and ammonia.
- Hazardous thermal decomposition products** : Decomposition products may include the following materials: nitrogen oxides, sulfur oxides, phosphorus oxides, metal oxide/oxides, ammonia, Avoid breathing dusts, vapors or fumes from burning materials., In case of inhalation of decomposition products in a fire, symptoms may be delayed.
- Special protective actions for fire-fighters** : Promptly isolate the scene by removing all persons from the vicinity of the incident if there is a fire. No action shall be taken involving any personal risk or without suitable training.
- Special protective equipment for fire-fighters** : Fire-fighters should wear appropriate protective equipment and self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) with a full face-piece operated in positive pressure mode.
- Remark** : Non-explosive.

## Section 6. Accidental release measures

### Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

- For non-emergency personnel** : No action shall be taken involving any personal risk or without suitable training. Evacuate surrounding areas. Keep unnecessary and unprotected personnel from entering. Do not touch or walk through spilled material. Provide adequate ventilation. Wear appropriate respirator when ventilation is inadequate. Put on appropriate personal protective equipment (see Section 8).
- For emergency responders** : If specialized clothing is required to deal with the spillage, take note of any information in Section 8 on suitable and unsuitable materials. See also the information in "For non-emergency personnel".
- Environmental precautions** : Avoid dispersal of spilled material and runoff and contact with soil, waterways, drains and sewers. Inform the relevant authorities if the product has caused environmental pollution (sewers, waterways, soil or air).

### Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

- Small spill** : Move containers from spill area. Avoid dust generation. Do not dry sweep. Vacuum dust with equipment fitted with a HEPA filter and place in a closed, labeled waste container. Place spilled material in a designated, labeled waste container. Dispose of via a licensed waste disposal contractor.

**Large spill**

- : Move containers from spill area. Approach release from upwind. Prevent entry into sewers, water courses, basements or confined areas. Avoid dust generation. Do not dry sweep. Vacuum dust with equipment fitted with a HEPA filter and place in a closed, labeled waste container. Dispose of via a licensed waste disposal contractor. Note: see Section 1 for emergency contact information and Section 13 for waste disposal.

## Section 7. Handling and storage

**Precautions for safe handling**

Not for human or animal consumption.

**Protective measures**

- : Put on appropriate personal protective equipment (see Section 8). Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. As a precaution, keep exposure as low as possible for pregnant women, children and workers in reproductive age. Avoid dust generation. Do not breathe dust. Do not get in eyes or on skin or clothing. Do not ingest. Keep in the original container or an approved alternative made from a compatible material, kept tightly closed when not in use. Empty containers retain product residue and can be hazardous. Do not reuse container.

**Advice on general occupational hygiene**

- : 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. See also Section 8 for additional information on hygiene measures.

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

- : Store in accordance with local regulations. Store in original container protected from direct sunlight in a dry, cool and well-ventilated area, away from incompatible materials (see Section 10) and food and drink. Store locked up. Keep container tightly closed and sealed until ready for use. Containers that have been opened must be carefully resealed and kept upright to prevent leakage. Do not store in unlabeled containers. Use appropriate containment to avoid environmental contamination. Keep away from: organic materials, oil and grease.

**Specific recommendations to end users**

- : Do not generate and inhale liquid fertilizer aerosols.  
  
In addition to overalls, gloves and eye protection, use of efficient respiratory protection (P2/P3 respirators with a tight face seal) during discharge of fertilizer bags and maintenance of equipment is recommended to minimize inhalation exposure and to ensure safe-use during this activity (see section 8).

Risk assessments show safe use during normal spreading of fertilizers containing below 5% of boron by tractor (liquid or granular) and backpack (liquid).

## Section 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

### Control parameters

#### Occupational exposure limits

Ingredient name	Exposure limits
disodium tetraborate pentahydrate (borates, tetra, sodium salts)	<b>DOL OEL (2022-09-29).</b> TWA 4 mg/m <sup>3</sup> STEL 12 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

#### **Appropriate engineering controls**

- : If user operations generate dust, fumes, gas, vapor or mist, use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation or other engineering controls to keep worker exposure to airborne contaminants below any recommended or statutory limits.

#### **Environmental exposure controls**

- : Emissions from ventilation or work process equipment should be checked to ensure they comply with the requirements of environmental protection legislation. In some cases, fume scrubbers, filters or engineering modifications to the process equipment will be necessary to reduce emissions to acceptable levels.

### Individual protection measures

#### **Hygiene measures**

- : A washing facility or water for eye and skin cleaning purposes should be present. 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. Wash contaminated clothing before reusing.

#### **Eye/face protection**

- : Safety eyewear complying with an approved standard should be used when a risk assessment indicates this is necessary to avoid exposure to liquid splashes, mists, gases or dusts.  
**Recommended:** Tightly-fitting goggles, Europe:, CEN: EN166,

### Skin protection

#### **Hand protection**

- : Chemical-resistant, impervious gloves complying with an approved standard should be worn at all times when handling chemical products if a risk assessment indicates this is necessary. For general applications, we recommend gloves with a thickness typically greater than 0.35 mm. It should be emphasized that glove thickness is not necessarily a good predictor of glove resistance to a specific chemical, as the permeation efficiency of the glove will be dependent on the exact composition of the glove material.

#### **Body protection**

- : Personal protective equipment for the body should be selected based on the task being performed and the risks involved.

#### **Other skin protection**

- : Appropriate footwear and any additional skin protection measures should be selected based on the task being performed and the risks involved and should be approved by a specialist before handling this product.

**Respiratory protection** : Use respiratory protection with more than 94% efficiency (P2, P3 or N95) and a tight face seal, when risk of exposure to dust.

**Personal protective equipment (Pictograms)** :



## Section 9. Physical and chemical properties and safety characteristics

The conditions of measurement of all properties are at standard temperature and pressure unless otherwise indicated.

### Appearance

**Physical state** : Solid [granulates]  
**Color** : Blue.,  
**Odor** : Odorless.  
**pH** : 4,5 - 6,5 [Conc. (% w/w): 100 g/l ]

**Melting point/freezing point** : 145 - 185 °C (293 - 365 °F)

**Boiling point, initial boiling point, and boiling range** : Not applicable.

**Flash point** : Not applicable.

**Flammability** : Non-flammable.  
**Lower and upper explosion limit/flammability limit** : **Lower:** Not applicable.  
**Upper:** Not applicable.

**Vapor pressure** : Not applicable.

**Relative vapor density** : Not applicable.

**Bulk density** : 950 - 1.250 kg/m<sup>3</sup>

**Solubility in water** : > 75 g/l

**Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water** : Not applicable.

**Auto-ignition temperature** : Not applicable.

**Decomposition temperature** : Not applicable.

**Viscosity** : **Kinematic:** Not applicable.

**Explosive properties** : Non-explosive.

**Oxidizing properties** : Non-oxidizer.  
 UN Manual of Tests and Criteria, Section 39.

### Particle characteristics

**Median particle size** : 2,7 - 3,6 mm

## Section 10. Stability and reactivity

- Reactivity** : No specific test data related to reactivity available for this product or its ingredients.
- Chemical stability** : The product is stable.
- Possibility of hazardous reactions** : Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous reactions will not occur.
- Conditions to avoid** : Avoid contamination by any source including metals, dust and organic materials.
- Incompatible materials** : alkalis, combustible materials, reducing materials, organic materials, Acids
- Hazardous decomposition products** : Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous decomposition products should not be produced.

## Section 11. Toxicological information

### Information on toxicological effects

#### Acute toxicity

Product/ingredient name	Method	Species	Result	Exposure
ammonium nitrate				
	OECD 401 LD50 Oral	Rat	2.950 mg/kg	Not applicable.
	OECD 402 LD50 Dermal	Rat	> 5.000 mg/kg	Not applicable.
potassium nitrate				
	LD50 Oral	Rat	2.000 mg/kg	Not applicable.
	LD50 Dermal	Rat	> 5.000 mg/kg	Not applicable.
disodium tetraborate pentahydrate				
	LD50 Oral	Rat	2.000 mg/kg	Not applicable.
	LD50 Dermal	Rabbit	> 5.000 mg/kg	Not applicable.
zinc sulphate (monohydrate)				
	OECD 401 LD50 Oral	Rat	926 mg/kg	Not applicable.

- Conclusion/Summary** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

#### Irritation/Corrosion

Product/ingredient name	Method	Species	Result	Exposure
ammonium nitrate				
	OECD 405 Eyes	Rabbit	Irritant	
potassium nitrate				
	OECD 404 Skin	Rabbit	Non-irritating.	



zinc sulphate (monohydrate)

	Eyes	Rabbit	Severe irritant	
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**Conclusion/Summary**

- Skin** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.
- Eyes** : Causes serious eye irritation.
- Respiratory** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

**Sensitization**

Product/ingredient name	Method	Species	Result
ammonium nitrate			
	OECD 429 Skin	Mouse	Not sensitizing

**Conclusion/Summary**

- Skin** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.
- Respiratory** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

**Mutagenicity**

Product/ingredient name	Method	Test detail	Result
ammonium nitrate			
	OECD 473	Mammalian Toxicity - Genotoxicity - In vitro Mammalian Chromosome Aberration Test or Mammalian Bone Marrow Chromosomal Abberation Test or Mammalian Erythrocyte Micronucleus Test Experiment: In vitro	Negative
	OECD 471	Bacteria Experiment: In vitro	Negative

- Conclusion/Summary** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

**Carcinogenicity**

- Conclusion/Summary** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

**Reproductive toxicity**

Product/ingredient name	Method	Species	Result	Exposure
ammonium nitrate				
	OECD 422 Oral	Rat	Fertility effects- Negative Developmental- Negative NOAEL	28 days

			> 1500 mg/kg bw/day	
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**Conclusion/Summary** : May damage fertility or the unborn child.

**Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)**

No known significant effects or critical hazards.

**Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure)**

No known significant effects or critical hazards.

**Aspiration hazard**

No known significant effects or critical hazards.

**Information on the likely routes of exposure** : Not available.

**Potential acute health effects**

**Eye contact** : Causes serious eye irritation.  
**Inhalation** : Exposure to decomposition products may cause a health hazard. Serious effects may be delayed following exposure.  
**Skin contact** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.  
**Ingestion** : Irritating to mouth, throat and stomach.

**Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics**

**Eye contact** : Adverse symptoms may include the following: pain or irritation, watering, redness  
**Inhalation** : No specific data.  
**Skin contact** : No specific data.  
**Ingestion** : No specific data.

**Delayed and immediate effects and also chronic effects from short and long term exposure**

**Short term exposure**

**Potential immediate effects** : Not available.  
**Potential delayed effects** : Not available.

**Long term exposure**

**Potential immediate effects** : Not available.  
**Potential delayed effects** : Not available.

**Potential chronic health effects**

Product/ingredient name	Method	Species	Result	Exposure
ammonium nitrate				
	OECD 422 Chronic NOAEL Oral	Rat	256 mg/kg	28 days
	OECD 412 Sub-acute NOEC Inhalation	Rat	> 185 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	2 weeks 5 hours per day

**Carcinogenicity** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

**Mutagenicity** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

**Reproductive toxicity** : May damage fertility or the unborn child.

**Other effects** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

**Over-exposure signs/symptoms**

**Eye contact** : Adverse symptoms may include the following: pain or irritation, watering, redness

**Inhalation** : No specific data.

**Skin contact** : No specific data.

**Ingestion** : No specific data.

**Numerical measures of toxicity**

**Acute toxicity estimates**

Product/ingredient name	Oral	Dermal	Inhalation (gases)	Inhalation (vapors)	Inhalation (dusts and mists)
ammonium nitrate	2950 mg/kg	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
zinc sulphate (monohydrate)	926 mg/kg	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

## Section 12. Ecological information

**Toxicity**

Product/ingredient name	Method	Species	Result	Exposure
ammonium nitrate				
	Acute LC50 Fresh water	Fish	447 mg/l	48 h
	Acute EC50 Fresh water	Daphnia	490 mg/l	48 h
	Acute EC50 Salt water	Algae	1.700 mg/l	10 d
potassium nitrate				
	OECD 203 Acute LC50 Fresh water	Fish	> 100 mg/l	96 h
	Acute EC50 Fresh water	Daphnia	490 mg/l	48 h
	Acute EC50 Marine water	Algae	> 1.700 mg/l	240 h
disodium tetraborate pentahydrate				
	Acute LC50 Fresh water	Fish	> 100 mg/l	96 h
	Acute EC50 Fresh water	Daphnia	> 100 mg/l	48 h
	Acute EC50 Fresh water	Algae	> 100 mg/l	72 h
zinc sulphate (monohydrate)				
	Acute LC50 Fresh water	Fish	0,1 - 1 mg/l	96 h

	Acute EC50 Fresh water	Daphnia	0,1 - 1 mg/l	48 h
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**Conclusion/Summary** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

**Persistence and degradability**

**Conclusion/Summary** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

**Bioaccumulative potential**

**Conclusion/Summary** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

**Mobility in soil**

**Soil/water partition coefficient (KOC)** : Not available.

**Mobility** : Not available.

**Other adverse effects** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

## Section 13. Disposal considerations

**Product**

**Methods of disposal** : The generation of waste should be avoided or minimized wherever possible. Disposal of this product, solutions and any by-products should at all times comply with the requirements of environmental protection and waste disposal legislation and any regional local authority requirements. Dispose of surplus and non-recyclable products via a licensed waste disposal contractor. Waste should not be disposed of untreated to the sewer unless fully compliant with the requirements of all authorities with jurisdiction. Waste packaging should be recycled. Incineration or landfill should only be considered when recycling is not feasible. This material and its container must be disposed of in a safe way. Care should be taken when handling emptied containers that have not been cleaned or rinsed out. Empty containers or liners may retain some product residues. Avoid dispersal of spilled material and runoff and contact with soil, waterways, drains and sewers.

## Section 14. Transport information

	UN	IMDG	IATA
<b>UN number</b>	Not regulated.	Not regulated.	Not regulated.
<b>UN proper shipping name</b>	Not applicable.	Not applicable.	Not applicable.
<b>Transport hazard class(es)</b>	Not applicable.	Not applicable.	Not applicable.

<b>Packing group</b>	Not applicable.	Not applicable.	Not applicable.
<b>Environmental hazards</b>	No.	No.	No.

#### **14.6 Special precautions for user**

- : Transport within user's premises: Ensure that persons transporting the product know what to do in the event of an accident or spillage.

#### **Remark**

- : A NPK fertilizer not liable to self-sustaining exothermic decomposition according to the S.1 trough test as defined in the recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, Manual of Tests and Criteria, part III, section 38.

#### **Transport in bulk according to IMO instruments**

#### **Proper shipping name Remarks**

- : AMMONIUM NITRATE  
BASED FERTILIZER
- : **Solid bulk cargoes**  
Harmful to the marine environment with regard to MARPOL Annex V: No  
Material is hazardous only in bulk according to the IMSBC: No  
IMSBC shipping group: C

## **Section 15. Regulatory information**

#### **Inventory list**

**Philippines inventory (PICCS):** All components are listed or exempted.

**New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals (NZIoC):** All components are listed or exempted.

**Korea inventory:** All components are listed or exempted.

**China inventory (IECSC):** All components are listed or exempted.

**Australia inventory (AIIIC):** All components are listed or exempted.

**Taiwan Chemical Substances Inventory (TCSI):** All components are listed or exempted.

**United States inventory (TSCA 8b):** All components are active or exempted.

**EC INVENTORY (EINECS/ELINCS):** All components are listed or exempted.

**Canada:** All components are listed or exempted.

**Thailand:** All components are listed or exempted.

**Viet Nam:** All components are listed or exempted.

## **Section 16. Other information**

#### **Key to abbreviations**

- : ADN = European Provisions concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterway
- : ADR = The European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road
- : ATE = Acute Toxicity Estimate
- : BCF = Bioconcentration Factor
- : bw = Body weight
- : GHS = Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of

## Chemicals

IATA = International Air Transport Association

IBC = Intermediate Bulk Container

IMDG = International Maritime Dangerous Goods

LogPow = logarithm of the octanol/water partition coefficient

MARPOL = International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution From Ships, 1973 as modified by the Protocol of 1978. ("Marpol" = marine pollution)

N/A = Not available

RID = The Regulations concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail

SUSMP - Standard Uniform Schedule of Medicine and Poisons

SGG = Segregation Group

UN = United Nations

**Procedure used to derive the classification**

Classification	Justification
SERIOUS EYE DAMAGE/ EYE IRRITATION - Category 2A	Calculation method
TOXIC TO REPRODUCTION - Category 1B	Calculation method

**Key data sources**

- : EU REACH ECHA/IUCLID5 CSR.
- National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, U.S. Dept. of Health, Education, and Welfare, Reports and Memoranda Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances.
- Sphera Solutions Inc., 4777 Levy Street, St Laurent, Quebec HAR 2P9, Canada.

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