



# SAFETY DATA SHEET

## 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

### 1.1 Product identifier

**Product name** BIFORCE GRANULAR INSECTICIDE  
**Synonyms** BI FORCE GRANULAR INSECTICIDE

### 1.2 Uses and uses advised against

**Uses** INSECTICIDE

### 1.3 Details of the supplier of the product

**Supplier name** SHERWOOD CHEMICALS AUSTRALASIA PTY LTD  
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**Website** <http://www.sherwoodchemicals.com.au>

### 1.4 Emergency telephone numbers

**Emergency** +61 421 667972

## 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

CLASSIFIED AS HAZARDOUS ACCORDING TO SAFE WORK AUSTRALIA CRITERIA

#### Physical Hazards

Not classified as a Physical Hazard

#### Health Hazards

Not classified as a Health Hazard

#### Environmental Hazards

Aquatic Toxicity (Acute): Category 1  
Aquatic Toxicity (Chronic): Category 4

### 2.2 GHS Label elements

**Signal word** WARNING

#### Pictograms



#### Hazard statements

H400 Very toxic to aquatic life.  
H413 May cause long lasting harmful effects to aquatic life.

#### Prevention statements

P273 Avoid release to the environment.

#### Response statements

P391 Collect spillage.

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### Storage statements

None allocated.

### Disposal statements

P501 Dispose of contents/container in accordance with relevant regulations.

### 2.3 Other hazards

No information provided.

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## 3. COMPOSITION/ INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

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### 3.1 Substances / Mixtures

Ingredient	CAS Number	EC Number	Content
QUARTZ (CRYSTALLINE SILICA)	14808-60-7	238-878-4	>60%
BIFENTHRIN	82657-04-3	617-373-6	0.2%
NON HAZARDOUS INGREDIENTS	Not Available	Not Available	Remainder

**Ingredient Notes** This product contains trace levels (<0.1%) of respirable quartz.

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## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

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### 4.1 Description of first aid measures

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

**Inhalation** If inhaled, remove from contaminated area. Apply artificial respiration if not breathing.

**Skin** If skin or hair contact occurs, remove contaminated clothing and flush skin and hair with running water. Continue flushing with water until advised to stop by a Poisons Information Centre or a doctor.

**Ingestion** For advice, contact a Poisons Information Centre on 13 11 26 (Australia Wide) or a doctor (at once).

**First aid facilities** None allocated.

### 4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

See Section 11 for more detailed information on health effects and symptoms.

### 4.3 Immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Treat symptomatically.

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## 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

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### 5.1 Extinguishing media

Use an extinguishing agent suitable for the surrounding fire.

### 5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Non flammable. May evolve toxic gases if strongly heated.

### 5.3 Advice for firefighters

Treat as per requirements for surrounding fires. Evacuate area and contact emergency services. Remain upwind and notify those downwind of hazard. Wear full protective equipment including Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) when combating fire. Use waterfog to cool intact containers and nearby storage areas.

### 5.4 Hazchem code

None allocated.

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## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

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### 6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Wear Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) as detailed in section 8 of the SDS.

### 6.2 Environmental precautions

Prevent product from entering drains and waterways.

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### 6.3 Methods of cleaning up

Moisten with water to prevent a dust hazard and place in sealable containers for disposal.

### 6.4 Reference to other sections

See Sections 8 and 13 for exposure controls and disposal.

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## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

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### 7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Before use carefully read the product label. Use of safe work practices are recommended to avoid eye or skin contact and inhalation. Observe good personal hygiene, including washing hands before eating. Prohibit eating, drinking and smoking in contaminated areas.

### 7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store in a cool, dry, well ventilated area, removed from incompatible substances and foodstuffs.

### 7.3 Specific end uses

No information provided.

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## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

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### 8.1 Control parameters

#### Exposure standards

Ingredient	Reference	TWA		STEL	
		ppm	mg/m <sup>3</sup>	ppm	mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Quartz (respirable dust)	SWA [AUS]	--	0.1	--	--

#### Biological limits

No biological limit values have been entered for this product.

### 8.2 Exposure controls

**Engineering controls** Avoid inhalation. Use in well ventilated areas. Maintain dust levels below the recommended exposure standard.

#### PPE

- Eye / Face** Wear dust-proof goggles.  
**Hands** Wear PVC or rubber gloves.  
**Body** When using large quantities or where heavy contamination is likely, wear coveralls.  
**Respiratory** Where an inhalation risk exists, wear a Class P1 (Particulate) respirator.



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## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

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### 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance	TAN TO LIGHT BROWN GRANULAR SOLID
Odour	SLIGHT ODOUR
Flammability	NON FLAMMABLE
Flash point	NOT RELEVANT
Boiling point	NOT AVAILABLE
Melting point	NOT AVAILABLE
Evaporation rate	NOT AVAILABLE
pH	NOT AVAILABLE
Vapour density	NOT AVAILABLE
Specific gravity	1.40 to 1.60
Solubility (water)	INSOLUBLE
Vapour pressure	NOT AVAILABLE

**9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

Upper explosion limit	NOT RELEVANT
Lower explosion limit	NOT RELEVANT
Partition coefficient	NOT AVAILABLE
Autoignition temperature	NOT AVAILABLE
Decomposition temperature	NOT AVAILABLE
Viscosity	NOT AVAILABLE
Explosive properties	NOT AVAILABLE
Oxidising properties	NOT AVAILABLE
Odour threshold	NOT AVAILABLE

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**10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

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**10.1 Reactivity**

Carefully review all information provided in sections 10.2 to 10.6.

**10.2 Chemical stability**

Stable under recommended conditions of storage.

**10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions**

Polymerization is not expected to occur.

**10.4 Conditions to avoid**

Avoid heat, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources.

**10.5 Incompatible materials**

Incompatible with oxidising agents (e.g. hypochlorites), acids (e.g. nitric acid) and alkalis (e.g. sodium hydroxide).

**10.6 Hazardous decomposition products**

May evolve toxic gases if heated to decomposition.

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**11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

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**11.1 Information on toxicological effects**

**Acute toxicity** This product is expected to be of low acute toxicity. Under normal conditions of use, adverse health effects are not anticipated.

**Information available for the ingredients:**

Ingredient	Oral LD50	Dermal LD50	Inhalation LC50
BIFENTHRIN	54.5 mg/kg (rat)	2 g/kg (rabbit)	4.9 mg/l/4 hours (rat)

**Skin** Not classified as a skin irritant. Contact may result in mechanical irritation.

**Eye** Not classified as an eye irritant. Contact may result in mechanical irritation.

**Sensitisation** Not classified as causing skin or respiratory sensitisation.

**Mutagenicity** No evidence of mutagenic effects.

**Carcinogenicity** Not classified as a carcinogen. Crystalline silica is classified as carcinogenic to humans (IARC Group 1). However, adverse health effects are not anticipated given the non respirable nature of the silica quartz in this product (as supplied). Contains bifenthrin, which is suspected of causing cancer, at levels below that required for classification.

**Reproductive** No relevant or reliable studies were identified.

**STOT - single exposure** Not classified as causing organ damage from single exposure.

**STOT - repeated exposure** This product contains crystalline silica (quartz) in a non-respirable form. Inhalation of crystalline silica is unlikely to occur from exposure to this product. However, if granules are pulverized or crushed into a fine, respirable powder, silica exposure via inhalation is probable. Repeated overexposure to crystalline silica for extended periods has caused acute silicosis.

**Aspiration** Not relevant.

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**12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

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**PRODUCT NAME BIFORCE GRANULAR INSECTICIDE****12.1 Toxicity**

Very toxic to aquatic life. May cause long lasting harmful effects to aquatic life.

**12.2 Persistence and degradability**

No information provided.

**12.3 Bioaccumulative potential**

No information provided.

**12.4 Mobility in soil**

No information provided.

**12.5 Other adverse effects**

No information provided.

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**13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

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**13.1 Waste treatment methods**

**Waste disposal** For small amounts, cover with moist sand or similar, collect and dispose of to an approved landfill site. Avoid generating dust. Contact the manufacturer/supplier for additional information (if required).

**Legislation** Dispose of in accordance with relevant local legislation.

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**14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

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**CLASSIFIED AS A DANGEROUS GOOD (IN ACCORDANCE WITH IATA AND IMDG ONLY)**

	LAND TRANSPORT (ADG)	SEA TRANSPORT (IMDG / IMO)	AIR TRANSPORT (IATA / ICAO)
<b>14.1 UN Number</b>	None allocated.	3077	3077
<b>14.2 Proper Shipping Name</b>	None allocated.	ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S. (contains 0.2% bifenthrin)	ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S. (contains 0.2% bifenthrin)
<b>14.3 Transport hazard class</b>	None allocated.	9	9
<b>14.4 Packing Group</b>	None allocated.	III	III

**14.5 Environmental hazards**

Marine Pollutant

**14.6 Special precautions for user**

**Hazchem code** None allocated.

**EMS** F-A, S-F

**Other information** The environmentally hazardous substance mark is not required when transported in packages of less than 5 kg/L (UN Model Regulations: Special Provision 375; IATA: Special Provision A197; IMDG: Special Provision 969) or less than 500 kg/L by Australian Road and Rail.

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**15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

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**15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture**

**Poison schedule** A poison schedule number has not been allocated to this product using the criteria in the Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP).

**Classifications** Safework Australia criteria is based on the Globally Harmonised System (GHS) of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals.

**Inventory listings** **AUSTRALIA: AICS (Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances)**  
All components are listed on AICS, or are exempt.

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**16. OTHER INFORMATION**

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### Additional information

RESPIRATORS: In general the use of respirators should be limited and engineering controls employed to avoid exposure. If respiratory equipment must be worn ensure correct respirator selection and training is undertaken. Remember that some respirators may be extremely uncomfortable when used for long periods. The use of air powered or air supplied respirators should be considered where prolonged or repeated use is necessary.

SYNERGISM - ANTAGONISM: Ingredients in this product may act together to aggravate or reduce adverse effects. Accordingly the time weighted average concentration (TWA) provided for single ingredients should be considered as a guide only and all due care exercised when handling.

#### PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT GUIDELINES:

The recommendation for protective equipment contained within this report is provided as a guide only. Factors such as form of product, method of application, working environment, quantity used, product concentration and the availability of engineering controls should be considered before final selection of personal protective equipment is made.

#### HEALTH EFFECTS FROM EXPOSURE:

It should be noted that the effects from exposure to this product will depend on several factors including: form of product; frequency and duration of use; quantity used; effectiveness of control measures; protective equipment used and method of application. Given that it is impractical to prepare a report which would encompass all possible scenarios, it is anticipated that users will assess the risks and apply control methods where appropriate.

### Abbreviations

ACGIH	American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists
CAS #	Chemical Abstract Service number - used to uniquely identify chemical compounds
CNS	Central Nervous System
EC No.	EC No - European Community Number
EMS	Emergency Schedules (Emergency Procedures for Ships Carrying Dangerous Goods)
GHS	Globally Harmonized System
GTEPG	Group Text Emergency Procedure Guide
IARC	International Agency for Research on Cancer
LC50	Lethal Concentration, 50% / Median Lethal Concentration
LD50	Lethal Dose, 50% / Median Lethal Dose
mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Milligrams per Cubic Metre
OEL	Occupational Exposure Limit
pH	relates to hydrogen ion concentration using a scale of 0 (high acidic) to 14 (highly alkaline).
ppm	Parts Per Million
STEL	Short-Term Exposure Limit
STOT-RE	Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure)
STOT-SE	Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)
SUSMP	Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons
SWA	Safe Work Australia
TLV	Threshold Limit Value
TWA	Time Weighted Average

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