

## Section 1 - Identification of Chemical Product and Company

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**Trade Name:** Garden King Shirleys No 17

**Product Use:** Lawn fertiliser

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## Section 2 - Hazards Identification

### Statement of Hazardous Nature

This product is classified as NOT hazardous according to the criteria of ASCC Australia.

Not a Dangerous Good according to the Australian Dangerous Goods (ADG) Code.

**Risk Phrases:** N/A

**Safety Phrases:** N/A

**SUSDP Classification:** Not scheduled

**ADG Classification:** N/A

**UN Number:** None allocated

### Emergency Overview

**Physical Description & colour:** Mixed colour granular solid

**Odour:** Mild odour

**Major Health Hazards:** No significant risk factors have been found for this product.

### Potential Health Effects

**Inhalation:** Low irritant. Over exposure may result in mucous membrane irritation of the nose and throat with coughing.

**Skin Contact:** Non -low irritant. Prolonged and repeated use may result in slight irritation. Some individuals with sensitive skin may experience adverse skin reactions, and would be advised to discontinue use.

**Eye Contact:** Low to moderate irritant. Exposure may result in irritation, pain and redness.

**Ingestion:** Low toxicity. With large doses, ingestion may result in nausea, vomiting and gastrointestinal irritation.

### Carcinogen Status:

**ASCC:** No significant ingredient is classified as carcinogenic by ASCC.

**NTP:** No significant ingredient is classified as carcinogenic by NTP.

**IARC:** No significant ingredient is classified as carcinogenic by IARC.

## Section 3 - Composition/Information on Ingredients

Ingredients	CAS No	TWA (mg/m3)	STEL (mg/m3)
Ammonium salts	various	not set	not set
Potassium salts	various	not set	not set
Phosphorus salts	various	not set	not set
Urea	57-13-6	not set	not set
Trace elements	various	not set	not set

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

*The TWA exposure value is the average airborne concentration of a particular substance when calculated over a normal 8 hour working day for a 5 day working week. 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 term "peak" is used when the TWA limit, because of the rapid action of the substance, should never be exceeded, even briefly.*

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## Section 4 - First Aid Measures

### General Information:

You should call The Poisons Information Centre if you feel that you may have been poisoned, burned or irritated by this product. The number is 13 1126 from anywhere in Australia (0800 764 766 in New Zealand) and is available at all times. Have this MSDS with you when you call.

Eyebaths or eyewash stations and safety deluge showers should be provided where this product is being used.

**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.

**Skin Contact:** If product gets on skin, wash skin with soap and water. No further measures should normally be required.

**Eye Contact:** Flush the contaminated eye(s) with lukewarm, gently flowing water until the product is removed or until irritation has ceased, while holding the eyelid(s) open. Obtain medical advice if irritation becomes painful or lasts more than a few minutes.

**Ingestion:** If swallowed, do NOT induce vomiting. Give a glass of water.

First aid is not generally required. If in doubt contact a Poisons Information Centre or a doctor.

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

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## Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures

**Fire and Explosion Hazards:** There is no risk of an explosion from this product under normal circumstances if it is involved in a fire.

May evolve ammonia and oxides of nitrogen, potassium and phosphorus when heated to decomposition.

**Extinguishing Media:** Not Combustible. Use extinguishing media suited to burning materials.

**Flash point:** Does not burn.

**Upper Flammability Limit:** Does not burn.

**Lower Flammability Limit:** Does not burn.

**Auto ignition temperature:** Not applicable - does not burn.

**Flammability Class:** Does not burn.

**Hazchem Code:** None Allocated

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## Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures

**Accidental release:** Minor spills do not normally need any special cleanup measures. In the event of a major spill, prevent spillage from entering drains or water courses. As a minimum, wear overalls, goggles and gloves. Suitable materials for protective clothing include rubber, PVC. If there is a significant chance that dusts are likely to build up in the cleanup area, we recommend that you use a respirator. Stop leak if safe to do so, and contain spill. Sweep up and shovel or collect recoverable product into labelled containers for recycling or salvage, and dispose of promptly. Recycle containers wherever possible after careful cleaning. 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. Full details regarding disposal of used containers, spillage and unused material may be found on the label. If there is any conflict between this MSDS and the label, instructions on the label prevail. Dispose of only in accord with all regulations.

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## Section 7 - Handling and Storage

**Handling:** Check Section 8 of this MSDS for details of personal protective measures, and make sure that those measures are followed. The measures detailed below under "Storage" should be followed during handling. Also, avoid contact or contamination of product with incompatible materials listed in Section 10.

**Storage:** Store in the closed original container in a dry, cool, well-ventilated area out of direct sunlight. Make sure that the product does not come into contact with substances listed under "Materials to avoid" in Section 10. Do not allow to come in contact with water, either from rain, condensation or the surface on

which stored. Bagged fertilisers should be stored under cover and out of direct sunlight. If stored in the open, do so for short periods only, and cover with a tarpaulin. High stacking should be avoided as pressure promotes caking. Store away from farm chemicals, e.g. insecticides, fungicides and herbicides.

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## Section 8 - Exposure Controls and Personal Protection

The following Australian Standards will provide general advice regarding safety clothing and equipment:

Respiratory equipment: **AS/NZS 1715**, Protective Gloves: **AS 2161**, Industrial Clothing: **AS2919**, Industrial Eye Protection: **AS1336** and **AS/NZS 1337**, Occupational Protective Footwear: **AS/NZS2210**.

**Exposure Limits**                      **TWA (mg/m<sup>3</sup>)**   **STEL (mg/m<sup>3</sup>)**   **ADI (mg/Kg/day)**   **NOEL (mg/Kg/day)**  
**No exposure limits have been set for any of the ingredients of this product**

*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. A TWA has not been established by Worksafe Australia for any of the major ingredients in this product. There is a blanket limit of 10mg/m<sup>3</sup> for dusts or mists when limits have not otherwise been established. The nature of this product makes it unlikely that this level will be approached in normal use. ADI means Acceptable Daily Intake and NOEL means No-observable-effect-level. Values taken from Australian ADI List, Dec 2003.*

No special equipment is usually needed when occasionally handling small quantities. The following instructions are for bulk handling or where regular exposure in an occupational setting occurs without proper containment systems.

**Ventilation:** Do not inhale dust/ powder. Use with adequate natural ventilation. Use appropriate safe work practices to reduce dust levels. Maintain dust levels below the recommended exposure standard.

**Eye Protection:** It is advisable to wear protective eyewear when using this product as dusts may be irritating.

**Skin Protection:** This product is essentially safe to use without special protective clothing, but it is always prudent to wear gloves when handling fertilisers

**Respirator:** It is advisable to wear a dust mask or respirator protection when using this product.

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

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## Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties:

<b>Physical Description &amp; colour:</b>	Mixed colour granular solid
<b>Odour:</b>	Mild odour
<b>Melting Point:</b>	No specific data, solid at room temperatures
<b>Flash Point:</b>	Does not burn
<b>Volatiles:</b>	No specific data. Expected to be low at 100°C.
<b>Bulk Density:</b>	No data
<b>Water Solubility:</b>	Moderately Soluble
<b>pH:</b>	No data
<b>Odour Threshold:</b>	No data.
<b>Auto ignition temp:</b>	Not applicable - does not burn.
<b>Corrosiveness:</b>	Not corrosive.

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## Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

**Reactivity:** This product is unlikely to react or decompose under normal storage conditions.

**Conditions to Avoid:** Heat, flames,

**Incompatibilities:** No particular incompatibilities

**Fire Decomposition:** May evolve ammonia and oxides of nitrogen, potassium and phosphorus when heated to decomposition.

**Polymerisation:** This product is unlikely to undergo polymerisation processes.

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## Section 11 - Toxicological Information

Low toxicity; this product may only present a hazard with eye contact, prolonged and repeated skin contact or with dust inhalation at high levels.

**Eye** Low to moderate irritant.

**Inhalation** Low irritant. Over exposure may result in mucous membrane irritation of the nose and throat with coughing.

**Skin** Non - low irritant. Prolonged and repeated use may result in slight irritation. Some individuals with sensitive skin may experience adverse skin reactions, and would be advised to discontinue use.

**Ingestion** Low toxicity. With large doses ingestion may result in nausea, vomiting and gastrointestinal irritation.

**Toxicity Data** No LD50 data available for this product.

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## Section 12 - Ecological Information

**Environment** Avoid contaminating waterways. Fertilisers, particularly those containing nitrogen and/or phosphorus, can stimulate weed and algal growth in static surface waters. Nitrogen fertilisers may contain or form nitrate which can contaminate surface and ground-water. High nitrate concentrations may render the water unsuitable for human and livestock consumption.

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## Section 13 - Disposal Considerations

**Disposal:** Normally suitable for disposal at approved land waste site. Instructions for the disposal of containers are found on the product label.

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## Section 14 - Transport Information

**ADG Code:** This product is not classified as a Dangerous Good. No special transport conditions are necessary unless required by other regulations.

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## Section 15 - Regulatory Information

**AICS:** All of the significant ingredients in this formulation are to be found in the public AICS Database.

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## Section 16 - Other Information

**This MSDS contains only safety-related information. For other data see product literature.**

### Acronyms:

<b>ADG Code</b>	Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail
<b>AICS</b>	Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances
<b>ASCC</b>	National Occupational Health and Safety Commission
<b>CAS number</b>	Chemical Abstracts Service Registry Number
<b>Hazchem Number</b>	Emergency action code of numbers and letters that provide information to emergency services especially fire-fighters
<b>IARC</b>	International Agency for Research on Cancer
<b>NOS</b>	Not otherwise specified
<b>NTP</b>	National Toxicology Program (USA)
<b>R-Phrase</b>	Risk Phrase
<b>SUSDP</b>	Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Drugs & Poisons
<b>UN Number</b>	United Nations Number

*THIS MSDS SUMMARISES OUR BEST KNOWLEDGE OF THE HEALTH AND SAFETY HAZARD INFORMATION OF THE PRODUCT AND HOW TO SAFELY HANDLE AND USE THE PRODUCT IN THE WORKPLACE. EACH USER MUST REVIEW THIS MSDS IN THE CONTEXT OF HOW THE PRODUCT WILL BE HANDLED AND USED IN THE WORKPLACE.*

*IF CLARIFICATION OR FURTHER INFORMATION IS NEEDED TO ENSURE THAT AN APPROPRIATE RISK ASSESSMENT CAN BE MADE, THE USER SHOULD CONTACT THIS COMPANY SO WE CAN ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FROM OUR SUPPLIERS*

*OUR RESPONSIBILITY FOR PRODUCTS SOLD IS SUBJECT TO OUR STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS, A COPY OF WHICH IS SENT TO OUR CUSTOMERS AND IS ALSO AVAILABLE ON REQUEST.*

Please read all labels carefully before using product.

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