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# MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

# Rygel Alpha-Cyper 100 EC Insecticide

## 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE / PREPARATION AND THE COMPANY

**Supplier:** Profeng Australia Pty Ltdn

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**Emergency telephone number:** National Poisons Information Centre:

Phone Australia 13 11 26.

**Product Name:** Rygel Alpha-Cyper 100 EC Insecticide

**Product Use:** Agricultural insecticide for use as described on the product label.

### 2. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Ingredient	CAS No.	%	TWA mg/m <sup>3</sup>	STEL
mg/m³				
Alpha-cypermethrin	67375-30-8	10	not set	not set
Non hazardous hydrocarbon	secret	76	not set	not set
Other non-hazardous ingredients	secret	to 100	not set	not set
This is a commercial product whose exact ratio of components may vary slightly. Minor				
quantities of other non-hazardous ingredients are also possible.				

## 3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

## **Hazard Classification**

This product is classified as: Hazardous according to the criteria of ASCC Australia. Not subject to the ADG Code when transported by Road or Rail. (ADG 7, Special Provision AU01).

Risk Phrases: R21/22. Harmful in contact with skin and if swallowed.

Safety Phrases: S20, S24/25. When using, do not eat or drink. Avoid contact with skin and

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**SUSDP Classification: S6** 

ADG Classification: Class 9 (ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, LIQUID,

N.O.S.)

UN Number: 3082

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#### 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 11 26 from anywhere in Australia (0800 764 766 in New Zealand) and is available at all times. Have this MSDS with you when you call.

**Inhalation:** No first aid measures normally required. However, if inhalation has occurred, 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:** No specific health data is available for this product. If any unusual symptoms become evident, or if in doubt, contact a Poisons Information Centre or a doctor.

**Eye Contact:** No effects expected. If irritation does occur, flush contaminated eye(s) with lukewarm, gently flowing water for 5 minutes or until the product is removed. Obtain medical advice if irritation becomes painful or lasts more than a few minutes.

**Ingestion:** If swallowed, do NOT induce vomiting. Wash mouth with water and contact a Poisons Information Centre, or call a doctor.

### 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

**Fire and Explosion Hazards**: There is a slight risk of an explosion from this product if commercial quantities are involved in a fire. Violent steam generation or eruption may occur upon application of direct water stream on hot liquids. Vapours from this product are heavier than air and may accumulate in sumps, pits and other low-lying spaces, forming potentially explosive mixtures. They may also flash back considerable distances. Fire decomposition products from this product may be toxic if inhaled. Take appropriate protective measures.

**Extinguishing Media:** Alcohol resistant foam is the preferred firefighting medium but, if it is not available, normal foam can be used. Try to contain spills, minimise spillage entering drains or watercourses.

**Fire Fighting:** If a significant quantity of this product is involved in a fire, call the fire brigade. There is little danger of a violent reaction or explosion if significant quantities of this product are involved in a fire. Recommended personal protective equipment is full fire kit and breathing apparatus.

Flash point: Not flammable.

Upper Flammability Limit: No data. Lower Flammability Limit: No data. Auto-Ignition temperature: C1 Flammability Class: No data.

## **6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

Accidental release: In the event of a major spill, prevent spillage from entering drains or

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watercourses. Wear full protective clothing including facemask, face shield and gauntlets. All skin areas should be covered. See above under Personal Protection regarding Australian Standards relating to personal protective equipment. Suitable materials for protective clothing include rubber, PVC. Stop leak if safe to do so, and contain spill. Absorb onto sand, vermiculite or other suitable absorbent material. If spill is too large or if absorbent material is not available, try to create a dike to stop material spreading or going into drains or waterways. Because of the environmentally hazardous nature of this product, special care should be taken to restrict release to waterways or drains. Sweep up and shovel or collect recoverable product into labelled containers for recycling or salvage, and dispose of promptly. After spills, wash area preventing runoff from entering drains. If a significant quantity of material enters drains, advise emergency services.

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. Ensure legality of disposal by consulting regulations prior to disposal. Thoroughly launder protective clothing before storage or re-use. Advise laundry of nature of contamination when sending contaminated clothing to laundry.

#### 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

**Handling:** Keep exposure to this product to a minimum, and minimise the quantities kept in work areas. 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 in order to minimise risks to persons using the product in the workplace. Also, avoid contact or contamination of product with incompatible materials listed in Section 10.

**Storage:** This product is a Scheduled Poison. Observe all relevant regulations regarding sale, transport and storage of this class of poison. Check packaging - there may be further storage instructions on the label.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/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>)

Exposure limits have not been established by ASCC for any of the significant ingredients in this product.

The ADI for Alpha-cypermethrin is set at 0.05mg/kg/day. The corresponding NOEL is set at 4.7mg/kg/day. ADI means Acceptable Daily Intake and NOEL means No-observable-effect-level. Values from Australian ADI List, Dec 2002.

Ventilation: No special ventilation requirements are normally necessary for this product.

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However make sure that the work environment remains clean and that dusts and vapours are minimised.

**Eye Protection:** Eye protection such as protective glasses or goggles is recommended when product is being used.

**Skin Protection:** Prevent skin contact by wearing impervious gloves, clothes and, preferably, apron. Make sure that all skin areas are covered. See below for suitable material types.

**Protective Material Types:** We suggest that protective clothing be made from rubber, PVC. **Respirator:** Usually, no respirator is necessary when using this product. However, if you have any doubts consult the Australian Standard mentioned above. Otherwise, not normally necessary. Safety deluge showers should be provided near to where this product is being used.

### 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Form Liquid

**Colour**: Clear pale brown

Odour: Characteristic hydrocarbon odour

Boiling Point: Not available

**Freezing/Melting Point:** No specific data. Liquid at normal temperatures

Volatiles:
No data
Vapour Pressure:
No data
Specific Gravity:
No data
Water Solubility:
Emulsifiable
No data
Evaporation Rate:
No data
Coeff Oil/water distribution:
No data
Auto-Ignition temp:
C1

### 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**Reactivity**: This product is unlikely to react or decompose under normal storage conditions. However, if you have any doubts, contact the supplier for advice on shelf life properties.

**Conditions to Avoid:** This product should be kept in a cool place, preferably below 30°C. Containers should be kept dry.

**Incompatibilities:** strong oxidising agents.

**Fire Decomposition:** Carbon dioxide, and if combustion is incomplete, carbon monoxide and smoke. Water. Carbon monoxide poisoning produces headache, weakness, nausea, dizziness, confusion, dimness of vision, disturbance of judgment, and unconsciousness followed by coma and death.

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

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### 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Toxicity:** Acute **Toxicity:** Synthetic pyrethroid compounds vary in their toxicity as do the natural pyrethrins. Inhaling high levels of pyrethrum may bring about asthmatic breathing, sneezing, nasal stuffiness, headache, nausea, incoordination, tremors, convulsions, facial flushing and swelling, and burning and itching sensations. The most severe poisonings have been reported in infants, who are not able to efficiently break down pyrethrum. The lowest lethal oral dose of pyrethrum is 750 mg/kg for children and 1,000 mg/kg for adults. Oral LD50 values of pyrethrins in rats range from 200 mg/kg to greater than 2,600 mg/kg. Some of this variability is due to the variety of constituents in

the formulation. Mice have a pyrethrum oral LD50 of 370 mg/kg. Animals exposed to toxic amounts may experience tongue and lip numbness, nausea, and diarrhoea. Symptoms may also include incoordination, tremors, convulsions, paralysis, respiratory failure, and death. Pyrethroids can cause two quite different responses at near lethal doses in rats; aggressive sparring and a sensitivity to external stimuli progressing to tremors is the one response and pawing and burrowing behaviour, and salivation leading to chronic seizures is the other. Human response to these two different types of Pyrethroids has not yet been evaluated. Recovery from serious poisoning in mammals is fairly rapid.

Rats and rabbits are not affected by large dermal applications. On broken skin, pyrethrum produces irritation and sensitisation, which is further aggravated by sun exposure.

**Chronic Toxicity:** Absorption of pyrethrum through the stomach and intestines and through the skin is slow. However, humans can absorb pyrethrum more quickly through the lungs during respiration. Response appears to depend on the pyrethrum compound used. Overall, pyrethrins and Pyrethroids are of low chronic toxicity to humans and the most common problems in humans have resulted from the allergenic properties of pyrethrum. Patch tests for allergic reaction are an important tool in determining an individual's sensitivity to these compounds. Many of the natural and synthetic compounds can produce skin irritation, itching, pricking sensations and local burning sensations.

These symptoms may last for about two days.

**Reproductive Effects:** Rabbits that received pyrethrins orally at high doses during the sensitive period of pregnancy had normal litters. A group of rats fed very high levels of pyrethrins daily for three weeks before first mating had litters with weanling weights much lower than normal. Overall, pyrethrins appear to have low reproductive toxicity.

**Teratogenic Effects:** The one rabbit reproduction study performed showed no effect of pyrethrins on development of the offspring. More information is needed.

Mutagenic Effects: No information was found.

**Carcinogenic Effects:** No carcinogenic status has been established for pyrethrins or Pyrethroids.

**Organ Toxicity:** In mammals, tissue storage has not been recorded. At high doses, pyrethrum can be damaging to the central nervous system and the immune system. When the immune system is attacked by pyrethrum, allergies can be worsened. Animals fed large



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doses of pyrethrins may experience liver damage. Rats fed pyrethrin at high levels for two years showed no significant effect on survival, but slight, definite damage to the livers was observed.

Inhalation of high doses of pyrethrum for 30 minutes each day for 31 days caused slight lung irritation in rats and dogs.

**Fate in Humans and Animals: Pyrethrins**, Pyrethroids, and their metabolites are not known to be stored in the body nor excreted in the milk. The urine and faeces of people given oral doses of pyrethrum contain chrysanthemumic acid and other metabolites. These metabolites are less toxic to mammals than are the parent compounds. Pyrethrins I and II are excreted unchanged in the faeces. Other pyrethrum components undergo rapid destruction and detoxification in the liver and gastrointestinal tract.

#### 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Pyrethrin is extremely toxic to aquatic life, such as bluegill and lake trout while it is slightly toxic to bird species, such as mallards. Toxicity increases with higher water temperatures and acidity. Natural pyrethrins are highly fat soluble, but are easily degraded and thus do not accumulate in the body. These compounds are toxic to bees also. Because pyrethrin-I, pyrethrin-II, and allethrin have multiple sites in their structures that can be readily attacked in biological systems, it is unlikely that they will concentrate in the food chain.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL FATE**

Cypermethrin, breaks down in plants to produce a variety of products. Pyrethrins have little residual effect. In stored grain, 50% or more of the applied pyrethrins disappear during the first three or four months of storage. At least 80% of what remains is removed by handling, processing, and cooking. Pyrethrins alone provide limited crop protection because they are not stable. As a result, they are often combined with small amounts of antioxidants to prolong their effectiveness. Pyrethrum compounds are broken down in water to non-toxic products. Pyrethrins are inactivated and decomposed by exposure to light and air. Pyrethrins are also rapidly decomposed by mild acids and alkalis. Stored pyrethrin powders lose about 20% of their potency in one year. As the pyrethrins are purified, their stability decreases; thus, pure pyrethrin-I and pyrethrin-II are the least stable of the pyrethrins. Purified pyrethrins are very expensive and are only available for laboratory uses.

### 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

**Disposal:** Instructions concerning the disposal of this product and its containers are given on the product label.

These should be carefully followed. Special help is available for the disposal of Agricultural Chemicals. The product label will give general advice regarding disposal of small quantities, and how to cleanse containers. However, for help with the collection of unwanted rural chemicals, contact ChemClear 1800 008 182 http://www.chemclear.com.au/ and for help with the disposal of empty drums, contact DrumMuster http://www.drummuster.com.au/

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where you will find contact details for your area.

#### 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

Not subject to the ADG Code when transported by Road or Rail. (ADG 7, Special Provision AU01).

ADG Code: 3082, ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, LIQUID, N.O.S.

Hazchem Code: 3Z

Special Provisions: 179, 274, AU01

Limited quantities: ADG 7 specifies a Limited Quantity value of 5 L for this class of product.

Dangerous Goods Class: Class 9, Miscellaneous Dangerous Goods.

Packaging Group: III

Packaging Method: P001, IBC03, LP01

Class 9 Miscellaneous Dangerous Goods shall not be loaded in the same vehicle or packed in the same freight container with Classes 1 (Explosives), 5.1 (Oxidising Agents where the Miscellaneous Dangerous Goods are Fire Risk Substances), 5.2 (Organic Peroxides where the Miscellaneous Dangerous Goods are Fire Risk Substances).

They may however be loaded in the same vehicle or packed in the same freight container with Classes 2.1 (Flammable Gases), 2.2 (Non-Flammable, Non-Toxic Gases), 2.3 (Toxic Gases), 3 (Flammable liquids), 4.1 (Flammable Solids), 4.2 (Spontaneously Combustible Substances), 4.3 (Dangerous When Wet Substances), 5.1 (Oxidising Agents except where the Miscellaneous Dangerous Goods are Fire Risk Substances), 5.2 (Organic Peroxides except where the Miscellaneous Dangerous Goods are Fire Risk Substances), 6 (Toxic Substances), 7 (Radioactive Substances), 8 (Corrosive Substances), Foodstuffs and foodstuff empties.

#### 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

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

### **16. OTHER INFORMATION**

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