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Guidelines for Assessment of Health, Environment

Health

Product assessment for health is based primarily on any adverse effect of the product on health when used in accordance with the Directions for Use and secondly on any potential adverse effects in the event of incidental skin or eye contact, inhalation of fumes or accidental ingestion of the product as supplied.

Hazard Rating	Criteria
01	Products that present practically no hazard to health under normal storage and handling conditions are assigned to this Rating. This includes products whose constituent chemicals are generally regarded as safe (GRAS) or are sufficiently diluted in the manufacture of the product to be rendered safe. Products in this category should exhibit no permanent ill-effects as a result of incidental skin or eye contact, have no harmful vapour and be practically non-toxic if ingested.
02	Products that present a minor hazard to health of sufficient significance to require caution during normal handling and storage.
03	Products that present a moderate hazard to health during normal handling and that routinely require caution in storage and handling, usually sufficient to require warnings on the product label, e.g. products classified as Poison Schedule 5.
04	Products that present significant risk to health requiring routine use of protective equipment are assigned to this Rating e.g. corrosive substances, products classified as Poison Schedule 6.
05	Products that are extremely hazardous to health are assigned to this Rating e.g. concentrated alkaline materials (pH>13), concentrated acids (pH<1), products classified as Poison Schedule 7, products with low acute toxicity, carcinogens, etc.