



# Material Safety Data Sheet

## MaxiGro™ Nutrient for Vegetative Growth

### 1. Product and company identification

<b>Product name</b>	: MaxiGro™ Nutrient for Vegetative Growth
<b>Chemical family</b>	: Not available.
<b>Material uses</b>	: Hydroponic plant nutrient.
<b>Supplier/Manufacturer</b>	: General Hydroponics PO BOX 1576, Sebastopol CA 95472 Tel: (707) 824-9376 Fax: (707) 824-9377
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### 2. Hazards identification

#### Emergency overview

<b>Physical state</b>	: Solid. [Powder.]
<b>Color</b>	: Green.
<b>Odor</b>	: Odorless.
<b>Signal word</b>	: DANGER!
<b>Hazard statements</b>	: OXIDIZER. CONTACT WITH OTHER MATERIAL MAY CAUSE FIRE. HARMFUL IF INHALED, ABSORBED THROUGH SKIN OR SWALLOWED. CAUSES RESPIRATORY TRACT, EYE AND SKIN IRRITATION. CONTAINS MATERIAL THAT MAY CAUSE TARGET ORGAN DAMAGE, BASED ON ANIMAL DATA.
<b>Precautionary measures</b>	: Do not breathe dust. Do not ingest. Use only with adequate ventilation. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Keep away from clothing and other combustible materials. Store in tightly-closed container. Keep container tightly closed. Wash thoroughly after handling.
<b>OSHA/HCS status</b>	: This material is considered hazardous by the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200).
<b>Routes of entry</b>	: Dermal contact. Eye contact. Inhalation. Ingestion.
<b><u>Potential acute health effects</u></b>	
<b>Inhalation</b>	: Toxic by inhalation. Irritating to respiratory system. Exposure to decomposition products may cause a health hazard. Serious effects may be delayed following exposure.
<b>Ingestion</b>	: Toxic if swallowed.
<b>Skin</b>	: Toxic in contact with skin. Irritating to skin.
<b>Eyes</b>	: Irritating to eyes.
<b><u>Potential chronic health effects</u></b>	
<b>Chronic effects</b>	: Contains material that may cause target organ damage, based on animal data. Repeated or prolonged inhalation of dust may lead to chronic respiratory irritation.
<b>Carcinogenicity</b>	: No known significant effects or critical hazards.
<b>Mutagenicity</b>	: No known significant effects or critical hazards.
<b>Teratogenicity</b>	: No known significant effects or critical hazards.

## 2. Hazards identification

- Developmental effects** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.
- Fertility effects** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.
- Target organs** : Contains material which may cause damage to the following organs: blood, liver, mucous membranes, gastrointestinal tract, upper respiratory tract, skin, eyes.

### Over-exposure signs/symptoms

- Inhalation** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.
- Ingestion** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.
- Skin** : Adverse symptoms may include the following:  
irritation  
redness
- Eyes** : Adverse symptoms may include the following:  
pain or irritation  
watering  
redness

**Medical conditions aggravated by overexposure** : Pre-existing disorders involving any target organs mentioned in this MSDS as being at risk may be aggravated by over-exposure to this product.

See toxicological information (Section 11)

## 3. Composition/information on ingredients

Name	CAS number	%
Potassium nitrate	7757-79-1	30 - 60
Ammonium dihydrogenorthophosphate	7722-76-1	10 - 30
Citric acid	77-92-9	1 - 5
Ferrate(2-), [rel-[N(R)]-N-[2-[bis[(carboxy-.kappa.O)methyl]amino-.kappa.N]ethyl]-N-[2-[(S)-[(carboxy-.kappa.O)methyl](carboxymethyl)amino-.kappa.N]ethyl]glycinato(5-)-.kappa.N,.kappa.O]-, sodium hydrogen (1:1:1), (PB-7-13-12564)-	12389-75-2	1 - 5

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.

## 4. First aid measures

- Eye contact** : Check for and remove any contact lenses. Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 20 minutes, occasionally lifting the upper and lower eyelids. Get medical attention immediately.
- Skin contact** : In case of contact, immediately flush skin with plenty of water for at least 20 minutes while removing contaminated clothing and shoes. Wash clothing before reuse. Clean shoes thoroughly before reuse. Get medical attention immediately.
- Inhalation** : Move exposed person to fresh air. If not breathing, if breathing is irregular or if respiratory arrest occurs, provide artificial respiration or oxygen by trained personnel. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband. Get medical attention immediately.
- Ingestion** : Wash out mouth with water. Do not induce vomiting unless directed to do so by medical personnel. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Get medical attention immediately.
- Protection of first-aiders** : No action shall be taken involving any personal risk or without suitable training. If it is suspected that fumes are still present, the rescuer should wear an appropriate mask or self-contained breathing apparatus. It may be dangerous to the person providing aid to give mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. Wash contaminated clothing thoroughly with water before removing it, or wear gloves.
- Notes to physician** : 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.

## 5. Fire-fighting measures

**Flammability of the product** : Not combustible.

### Extinguishing media

**Suitable** : Use dry chemical, carbon dioxide, water spray (fog) or foam.

**Not suitable** : Do not use water jet.

**Special exposure hazards** : 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. Move containers from fire area if this can be done without risk. Use water spray to keep fire-exposed containers cool.

**Hazardous thermal decomposition products** : Decomposition products may include the following materials:  
carbon dioxide  
carbon monoxide  
nitrogen oxides  
sulfur oxides  
phosphorus oxides  
metal oxide/oxides

**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.

## 6. Accidental release measures

**Personal precautions** : 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. Shut off all ignition sources. No flares, smoking or flames in hazard area. Do not breathe dust. Provide adequate ventilation. Wear appropriate respirator when ventilation is inadequate. Put on appropriate personal protective equipment (see Section 8).

**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 for cleaning up

**Small spill** : Move containers from spill area. Vacuum or sweep up material and place in a designated, labeled waste container. Use spark-proof tools and explosion-proof equipment. Dispose 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. Vacuum or sweep up material and place in a designated, labeled waste container. Avoid creating dusty conditions and prevent wind dispersal. Use spark-proof tools and explosion-proof equipment. Dispose via a licensed waste disposal contractor. Note: see Section 1 for emergency contact information and Section 13 for waste disposal.

## 7. Handling and storage

**Handling** : Put on appropriate personal protective equipment (see Section 8). 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. Do not get in eyes or on skin or clothing. Do not breathe dust. Do not ingest. Avoid the creation of dust when handling and avoid all possible sources of ignition (spark or flame). Prevent dust accumulation. Use only with adequate ventilation. Wear appropriate respirator when ventilation is inadequate. Keep in the original container or an approved alternative made from a compatible material, kept tightly closed when not in use. Electrical equipment and lighting should be protected to appropriate standards to prevent dust coming into contact with hot surfaces, sparks or other ignition sources. Keep away from combustible material. Empty containers retain product residue and can

## 7. Handling and storage

be hazardous. Do not reuse container.

### Storage

- See NFPA 430, Code for the Storage of Liquid and Solid Oxidizers. Store in accordance with local regulations. Store in a segregated and approved area. 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. Eliminate all ignition sources. Separate from oxidizing materials. Separate from reducing agents and combustible materials. 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.

## 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

Ingredient	Exposure limits
Ammonium dihydrogenorthophosphate  Ferrate(2-), [rel-[N(R)]-N-[2-[bis[(carboxy-.kappa.O)methyl] amino-.kappa.N]ethyl]-N-[2-[(S)-[(carboxy-.kappa.O)methyl] (carboxymethyl)amino-.kappa.N]ethyl]glycinato(5-)-.kappa.N., .kappa.O]-, sodium hydrogen (1:1:1), (PB-7-13-12564)-	<b>ACGIH TLV (United States).</b> TWA: 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 8 hour(s). Form: Dust <b>ACGIH TLV (United States, 2/2010).</b> TWA: 1 mg/m <sup>3</sup> , (as Fe) 8 hour(s). <b>NIOSH REL (United States, 6/2009).</b> TWA: 1 mg/m <sup>3</sup> , (as Fe) 10 hour(s). <b>OSHA PEL 1989 (United States, 3/1989).</b> TWA: 1 mg/m <sup>3</sup> , (as Fe) 8 hour(s). Form: Soluble

### Recommended monitoring procedures

- If this product contains ingredients with exposure limits, personal, workplace atmosphere or biological monitoring may be required to determine the effectiveness of the ventilation or other control measures and/or the necessity to use respiratory protective equipment.

### Engineering measures

- Use only with adequate ventilation. Use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation or other engineering controls to keep worker exposure to airborne contaminants below any recommended or statutory limits. The engineering controls also need to keep gas, vapor or dust concentrations below any lower explosive limits. Use explosion-proof ventilation equipment.

### Hygiene measures

- 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. Appropriate techniques should be used to remove potentially contaminated clothing. Wash contaminated clothing before reusing. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

### Personal protection

#### Respiratory

- Use a properly fitted, air-purifying or supplied air respirator complying with an approved standard if a risk assessment indicates this is necessary. Respirator selection must be based on known or anticipated exposure levels, the hazards of the product and the safe working limits of the selected respirator.

#### Hands

- 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.

#### Eyes

- 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 or dusts. If operating conditions cause high dust concentrations to be produced, use dust goggles.

#### Skin

- Personal protective equipment for the body should be selected based on the task being performed and the risks involved and should be approved by a specialist before handling this product.

### 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.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

<b>Physical state</b>	: Solid. [Powder.]
<b>Color</b>	: Green.
<b>Odor</b>	: Odorless.
<b>pH</b>	: 5.8 [Conc. (% w/w): 1%]
<b>Relative density</b>	: 2.2
<b>Solubility</b>	: Easily soluble in the following materials: cold water and hot water.

## 10. Stability and reactivity

<b>Chemical stability</b>	: The product is stable. Unstable at high temperatures and if mixed with organic materials and reducing agents.
<b>Conditions to avoid</b>	: Avoid the creation of dust when handling and avoid all possible sources of ignition (spark or flame). Take precautionary measures against electrostatic discharges. To avoid fire or explosion, dissipate static electricity during transfer by grounding and bonding containers and equipment before transferring material. Mixture with combustible materials.
<b>Incompatible materials</b>	: Reactive or incompatible with the following materials: reducing materials, Oil, organic solvents..
<b>Hazardous decomposition products</b>	: At extreme temperatures, irritating and highly toxic gases may be released.
<b>Possibility of hazardous reactions</b>	: Hazardous reactions or instability may occur under certain conditions of storage or use. Conditions may include the following: contact with combustible materials Reactions may include the following: risk of causing or intensifying fire

## 11. Toxicological information

### Acute toxicity

Product/ingredient name	Result	Species	Dose	Exposure
Ammonium dihydrogenorthophosphate	LD50 Dermal	Rabbit	>5000 mg/kg	-
Citric acid	LD50 Oral	Rat	>2000 mg/kg	-
Potassium nitrate	LD50 Oral	Rat	3 g/kg	-
	LD50 Oral	Rat	3540 mg/kg	-

### Chronic toxicity

There is no data available.

### Irritation/Corrosion

Product/ingredient name	Result	Species	Score	Exposure	Observation
Citric acid	Eyes - Severe irritant	Rabbit	-	24 hours 750 µg	-
	Skin - Moderate irritant	Rabbit	-	0.5 mL	-
	Skin - Mild irritant	Rabbit	-	24 hours 500 mg	-

### Sensitizer

**Skin** : There is no data available.

**Respiratory** : There is no data available.

### Carcinogenicity

There is no data available.

### Mutagenicity

There is no data available.

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### Teratogenicity

There is no data available.

### Reproductive toxicity

There is no data available.

## 12. Ecological information

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

### Aquatic ecotoxicity

Product/ingredient name	Result	Species	Exposure
Citric acid	Acute LC50 160000 ug/L Marine water	Crustaceans - Carcinus maenas - Adult	48 hours
Potassium nitrate	Acute LC50 490 mg/L Fresh water	Daphnia - Daphnia magna	48 hours
	Acute LC50 22500 ug/L Fresh water	Fish - Gambusia affinis - Adult	96 hours

### Persistence/degradability

There is no data available.

## 13. Disposal considerations

**Waste disposal** : The generation of waste should be avoided or minimized wherever possible. Significant quantities of waste product residues should not be disposed of via the foul sewer but processed in a suitable effluent treatment plant. Dispose of surplus and non-recyclable products via a licensed waste disposal contractor. Disposal of this product, solutions and any by-products should comply with the requirements of environmental protection and waste disposal legislation and any regional local authority requirements. 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 empty 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.

Disposal should be in accordance with applicable regional, national and local laws and regulations.

Refer to Section 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE and Section 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION for additional handling information and protection of employees.

## 14. Transport information

Regulatory information	UN number	Proper shipping name	Classes	PG*	Label	Additional information
<b>DOT Classification</b>	Not regulated.	-	-	-		<b>Remarks</b> Special Provision 34: This product is a calcium nitrate fertilizer, consisting mainly of a double salt ( calcium nitrate and ammonium nitrate ) containing not more than 10 percent ammonium nitrate and more than 12 percent water of crystalization.

## 14. Transport information

<b>IMDG Class</b>	Not regulated.	-	-	-		<b>Remarks</b> Special Provision A83 (208): This product is a calcium nitrate fertilizer, consisting mainly of a double salt ( calcium nitrate and ammonium nitrate ) containing not more than 10 percent ammonium nitrate and more than 12 percent water of crystalization.
<b>IATA-DGR Class</b>	Not regulated.	-	-	-		<b>Remarks</b> Special Provision A83 (208): This product is a calcium nitrate fertilizer, consisting mainly of a double salt ( calcium nitrate and ammonium nitrate ) containing not more than 10 percent ammonium nitrate and more than 12 percent water of crystalization.

PG\* : Packing group

Exemption to the above classification may apply.

**AERG** : Not applicable

## 15. Regulatory information

**HCS Classification** : Oxidizing material  
Toxic material  
Irritating material  
Target organ effects

**U.S. Federal regulations** : **TSCA 8(a) IUR Exempt/Partial exemption**: Not determined

**United States inventory (TSCA 8b)**: Not determined.

**SARA 302/304/311/312 extremely hazardous substances**: No products were found.

**SARA 302/304 emergency planning and notification**: No products were found.

**SARA 302/304/311/312 hazardous chemicals**: Potassium nitrate; Citric acid

**SARA 311/312 MSDS distribution - chemical inventory - hazard identification**:

Potassium nitrate: Fire hazard, Delayed (chronic) health hazard; Citric acid: Immediate (acute) health hazard

**Clean Water Act (CWA) 307**: Zinc sulphate (anhydrous); Copper sulphate

**Clean Water Act (CWA) 311**: Zinc sulphate (anhydrous); Copper sulphate

**Clean Air Act Section 112** : Not listed

**(b) Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs)**

**Clean Air Act Section 602 Class I Substances** : Not listed

**Clean Air Act Section 602 Class II Substances** : Not listed

**DEA List I Chemicals (Precursor Chemicals)** : Not listed

**DEA List II Chemicals (Essential Chemicals)** : Not listed

**SARA 313**

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	Product name	CAS number	Concentration
<b>Form R - Reporting requirements</b>	Potassium nitrate	7757-79-1	30 - 60
	Ammonium dihydrogenorthophosphate	7722-76-1	10 - 30
<b>Supplier notification</b>	Potassium nitrate	7757-79-1	30 - 60
	Ammonium dihydrogenorthophosphate	7722-76-1	10 - 30

SARA 313 notifications must not be detached from the MSDS and any copying and redistribution of the MSDS shall include copying and redistribution of the notice attached to copies of the MSDS subsequently redistributed.

### State regulations

- Massachusetts** : The following components are listed: Potassium nitrate
- New York** : None of the components are listed.
- New Jersey** : The following components are listed: Potassium nitrate
- Pennsylvania** : The following components are listed: Potassium nitrate; Ferrate(2-), [rel-[N(R)]-N-[2-[bis[(carboxy-.kappa.O)methyl]amino-.kappa.N]ethyl]-N-[2-[(S)-[(carboxy-.kappa.O)methyl](carboxymethyl)amino-.kappa.N]ethyl]glycinato(5-)-.kappa.N,.kappa.O]-, sodium hydrogen (1:1:1), (PB-7-13-12564)-

### California Prop. 65

No products were found.

## 16. Other information

**Label requirements** : OXIDIZER. CONTACT WITH OTHER MATERIAL MAY CAUSE FIRE. HARMFUL IF INHALED, ABSORBED THROUGH SKIN OR SWALLOWED. CAUSES RESPIRATORY TRACT, EYE AND SKIN IRRITATION. CONTAINS MATERIAL THAT MAY CAUSE TARGET ORGAN DAMAGE, BASED ON ANIMAL DATA.

**Hazardous Material Information System (U.S.A.)** : **Health** : 2 \* **Flammability** : 0 **Physical hazards** : 1

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**National Fire Protection Association (U.S.A.)** : **Health** : 2 **Flammability** : 0 **Instability** : 1 **Special** : OX

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### History

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## 16. Other information

### Notice to reader

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Final determination of suitability of any material is the sole responsibility of the user. All materials may present unknown hazards and should be used with caution. Although certain hazards are described herein, we cannot guarantee that these are the only hazards that exist.