



## Section 1 - Identification of Chemical Product and Company

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**Substance:** Prometryn is a 1,3,5-triazine derivative.  
**Trade Name:** **Farmoz Prometrex 900 WG Herbicide**  
**Product Use:** Agricultural herbicide for use as described on the product label.  
**Creation Date:** **January, 2006**  
**Revision Date:** **January, 2006**

## Section 2 - Hazards Identification

### Statement of Hazardous Nature

This product is classified as: Not classified as hazardous according to the criteria of NOHSC Australia.

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

**Risk Phrases:** Not Hazardous - No criteria found.

**Safety Phrases:** S22, S24/25. Do not breathe dust or spray mist. Avoid contact with skin and eyes.

**SUSDP Classification:** S5

**ADG Classification:** None allocated. Not a Dangerous Good under the ADG Code.

**UN Number:** None allocated

### Emergency Overview

**Physical Description & colour:** Off-white to cream coloured granules.

**Odour:** Mild vanilla-like odour.

**Major Health Hazards:** Symptoms of high acute exposure to Prometryn may include sedation, muscle incoordination, breathing difficulty, bulging eyes, constricted pupils, diarrhoea, excessive urination, and convulsions. No significant risk factors have been found for this product.

### Potential Health Effects

#### Inhalation

**Short term exposure:** Long term inhalation of high amounts of any nuisance dust may overload lung clearance mechanism. Available data indicates that this product is not harmful. However product may be mildly irritating, although unlikely to cause anything more than mild transient discomfort.

**Long Term exposure:** No data for health effects associated with long term inhalation.

#### Skin Contact:

**Short term exposure:** Available data indicates that this product is not harmful. It should present no hazards in normal use. However product may be irritating, but is unlikely to cause anything more than mild transient discomfort.

**Long Term exposure:** No data for health effects associated with long term skin exposure.

#### Eye Contact:

**Short term exposure:** This product may be irritating to eyes, but is unlikely to cause anything more than mild transient discomfort.

**Long Term exposure:** No data for health effects associated with long term eye exposure.

#### Ingestion:

**Short term exposure:** Significant oral exposure is considered to be unlikely. However, this product may be irritating to mucous membranes but is unlikely to cause anything more than transient discomfort.

**Long Term exposure:** No data for health effects associated with long term ingestion.

#### Carcinogen Status:

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

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

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

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## Section 3 - Composition/Information on Ingredients

Ingredients	CAS No	Conc, %	TWA (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	STEL (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )
Prometryn	7287-19-6	90	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.

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 may be equalled (but should not be exceeded) for no longer than 15 minutes and should not be repeated 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.

## 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.

**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:** Gently brush away excess solids. Wash gently and thoroughly with water (use non-abrasive soap if necessary) for 5 minutes or until chemical is removed.

**Eye Contact:** Quickly and gently brush particles from eyes. 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. Take special care if exposed person is wearing contact lenses.

**Ingestion:** If product is swallowed or gets in mouth, do NOT induce vomiting; wash mouth with water and give some water to drink. If symptoms develop, or if in doubt contact a Poisons Information Centre or a doctor.

## 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. Violent steam generation or eruption may occur upon application of direct water stream on hot liquids. This product, if scattered, may form flammable or explosive dust clouds in air.

Fire decomposition products from this product may be toxic if inhaled. Take appropriate protective measures.

**Extinguishing Media:** Preferred extinguishing media are carbon dioxide, dry chemical, foam, water fog.

**Fire Fighting:** If a significant quantity of this product is involved in a fire, call the fire brigade. Do not scatter spilled material with high pressure water jets.

**Flash point:** Not flammable.

**Upper Flammability Limit:** No data.

**Lower Flammability Limit:** No data.

**Autoignition temperature:** No data.

**Flammability Class:** No data.

## Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures

**Accidental release:** 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. Eye/face protective equipment should comprise as a minimum, protective goggles. If there is a significant chance that dusts are likely to build up in cleanup area, we recommend that you use a suitable Dust Mask. Use a P1 mask, designed for use against mechanically generated particles eg silica & asbestos. Otherwise, not normally necessary.

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. Consider vacuuming if appropriate. Recycle containers wherever possible after careful cleaning. Refer to product label for specific instructions. 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.

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## Section 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 schedule of poison. Keep containers dry and away from water. Protect this product from light. 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 "Incompatibilities" in Section 10. Check packaging - there may be further storage instructions on the label.

## 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>)

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

The ADI for Prometryn is set at 0.03mg/kg/day. The corresponding NOEL is set at 3mg/kg/day. ADI means Acceptable Daily Intake and NOEL means No-observable-effect-level. Values taken from Australian ADI List, Sept 2005.

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:** No special ventilation requirements are normally necessary for this product. However make sure that the work environment remains clean and that dusts are minimised.

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

**Skin Protection:** You should avoid contact even with mild skin irritants. Therefore you should wear suitable impervious elbow-length gloves and facial protection when handling this product. See below for suitable material types.

**Protective Material Types:** We suggest that protective clothing be made from the following materials: rubber, PVC.

**Respirator:** If there is a significant chance that dusts are likely to build up in the area where this product is being used, we recommend that you use a suitable Dust Mask. Otherwise, not normally necessary.

## Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties:

<b>Physical Description &amp; colour:</b>	Off-white to cream coloured granules.
<b>Odour:</b>	Mild vanilla-like odour.
<b>Boiling Point:</b>	Not available.
<b>Freezing/Melting Point:</b>	No specific data. Prometryn melts about 118-120°C
<b>Volatiles:</b>	No specific data. Expected to be low at 100°C.
<b>Vapour Pressure:</b>	Negligible at normal ambient temperatures.
<b>Vapour Density:</b>	No data.
<b>Specific Gravity:</b>	1.15 approx
<b>Water Solubility:</b>	Dispersible. Prometryn 33mg/L at 25°C
<b>pH:</b>	No data.
<b>Volatility:</b>	Negligible at normal ambient temperatures.
<b>Odour Threshold:</b>	No data.
<b>Evaporation Rate:</b>	No data.
<b>Coeff Oil/water distribution:</b>	3.1 at 25°C (log P octanol/water) (log P octanol/water)
<b>Autoignition temp:</b>	No data.

## Section 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:** Containers should be kept dry. Protect this product from light. Store in the closed original container in a dry, cool, well-ventilated area out of direct sunlight.

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**Incompatibilities:** strong acids, strong bases, strong oxidising agents.

**Fire Decomposition:** Carbon dioxide, and if combustion is incomplete, carbon monoxide and smoke. Nitrogen and its compounds, and under some circumstances, oxides of nitrogen. Occasionally hydrogen cyanide gas. 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 will not undergo polymerisation reactions.

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## Section 11 - Toxicological Information

**Toxicity:** An information profile for Prometryn is available at <http://extoxnet.orst.edu/pips/ghindex.html>

**Acute toxicity:** Prometryn is slightly to practically non-toxic by ingestion, with reported oral LD<sub>50</sub> values of 3750 to 5235 mg/kg in rats, 3750 mg/kg in mice, and greater than 2020 mg/kg in rabbits. Via the dermal route, it is not harmful with reported dermal LD<sub>50</sub> values of greater than 2000 mg/kg to greater than 3100 mg/kg in rabbits. Technical prometryn does not cause skin irritation in rabbits or skin sensitization in guinea pigs, and may cause slight eye irritation in rabbits. Some formulations may be mild eye irritants and/or slight skin irritants in rabbits. The 4-hour LC<sub>50</sub> for prometryn in rats is 5.2 mg/L.

**Chronic toxicity:** The results of long-term feeding studies do not indicate obvious, nor severe, toxicity from prometryn exposure. Rats fed dietary doses of 37.5 mg/kg/day and dogs given 4 mg/kg/day over a 2-year period didn't show observable gross or microscopic signs of systemic toxicity. Effects which occurred at higher dose rates in these animals included changes in relative weights of the kidney and liver.

**Reproductive effects:** In a three-generation study, no reproductive effects were seen in rats fed up to 5 mg/kg/day. From the data, it appears that prometryn is unlikely to cause reproductive effects.

**Teratogenic effects:** No teratogenic effects were seen in studies of rats fed 250 mg/kg/day, the highest dose tested. Prometryn does not appear to cause birth defects.

**Mutagenic effects:** Eleven different tests for mutagenicity involving hamsters, bacteria, or mammalian cell cultures have all produced negative results, indicating that prometryn is not a mutagen.

**Carcinogenic effects:** Prometryn was not carcinogenic in a 2-year rat feeding study at doses of up to 62.5 mg/kg/day. The available data suggest that prometryn is not carcinogenic.

**Organ toxicity:** Target organs identified through animal studies include the liver, kidneys, and bone marrow.

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## Section 12 - Ecological Information

This product is biodegradable. It will not accumulate in the soil or water or cause long term problems.

**Effects on birds:** Prometryn is practically nontoxic to birds; the acute oral LD<sub>50</sub> values in bobwhite quail and mallard ducks are greater than 2150 mg/kg and greater than 4640 mg/kg, respectively.

**Effects on aquatic organisms:** Prometryn ranges from moderately toxic to highly fish. It is harmful to freshwater invertebrates. The observed concentration of prometryn in bluegill and in rainbow trout is 9 to 10 times the ambient water concentration, indicating a low potential for bioaccumulation.

**Effects on other organisms:** Prometryn is nontoxic to bees and earthworms, with a reported contact LD<sub>50</sub> of greater than 99 µg/bee, and a 48-hour LC<sub>50</sub> of 153 mg/kg in earthworms.

### Environmental Fate:

**Breakdown in soil and groundwater:** Prometryn is moderately persistent in the soil, with a field half-life of 1 to 3 months. It will persist longer under dry or cold conditions, which are not conducive to chemical or biological activity.

**Breakdown in water:** No significant hydrolysis, or breakdown in water, was found when prometryn was tested over a period of 28 days in water ranging from slightly acidic to slightly alkaline and over a variety of test temperatures. These data indicate that prometryn is potentially persistent in the water environment.

**Breakdown in vegetation:** Prometryn is rapidly absorbed through both the foliage and roots of plants, and is translocated to the growing shoots. Removal or degradation by the plant is rapid in non-susceptible plants, but very slow in susceptible species.

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## Section 13 - Disposal Considerations

**Disposal:** There are many pieces of legislation covering waste disposal and they differ in each state and territory, so each user must refer to laws operating in their area. In some areas, certain wastes must be tracked. The Hierarchy of Controls seems to be common - the user should investigate: Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle and only if all else fails should disposal be considered. Note that properties of a product may change in use, so that the following suggestions may not always be appropriate. The following may help you in properly addressing this matter for this product. 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/> where you will find contact details for your area.

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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.

## Section 15 - Regulatory Information

**AICS:** All of the significant ingredients in this formulation are compliant with NICNAS regulations. The following ingredient: Prometryn, is mentioned in the SUSDP.

## 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>CAS number</b>	Chemical Abstracts Service Registry Number
<b>Hazchem Code</b>	Emergency action code of numbers and letters that provide information to emergency services especially firefighters
<b>IARC</b>	International Agency for Research on Cancer
<b>NOHSC</b>	National Occupational Health and Safety Commission
<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

### Contact Points:

Call Farnoz on (02)9431 7800 and ask for the technical manager.

Fax: (02)9431 7700

**Police and Fire Brigade:**

**Dial 000**

**Emergency contact:**

**1800 024 973 (24 hours)**

**If ineffective:**

**Dial Poisons Information Centre  
(13 1126 from anywhere in Australia)**

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