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SECTION 1: IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

1.1 Product identifier					
Trade name	Initiator® Systemic Plant Insecticide and Fertiliser				
Product code (UVP)	06481345				
1.2 Relevant identified uses of	of the substance or mixture and uses advised against				
Use	Insecticide				
1.3 Details of the supplier of	the safety data sheet				
Supplier	Bayer Cropscience Pty Ltd ABN 87 000 226 022 Level 1, 8 Redfern Road 3123 Hawthorn East Victoria Australia				
Telephone	(03) 9248 6888				
Telefax	(03) 9248 6800				
Responsible Department	1800 804 479 Technical Information Service				
Website	www.environmentalscience.bayer.com.au				
1.4 Emergency telephone no					
Emergency telephone no.	1800 033 111 IXOM Operations Pty Ltd				

SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

Classification in accordance with Australian GHS Regulation

Acute aquatic toxicity: Category 1 H400 Very toxic to aquatic life.

Chronic aquatic toxicity: Category 1 H410 Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

2.2 Label elements

Labelling according to specific Australian legislation

No hazard label for supply/use required.

2.3 Other hazards

No other hazards known.

SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Chemical nature

Imidacloprid 200g/kg Chemical nature Tablet (TB)



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Chemical Name	CAS-No.	Concentration [%]
Imidacloprid	138261-41-3	20.00
Other ingredients (non-hazardous) to 100%		

SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

If poisoning occurs, immediately contact a doctor or Poisons Information Centre (telephone 13 11 26), and follow the advice given. Show this Safety Data Sheet to the doctor.

4.1 Description of first aid measures

General advice	Move out of dangerous area. Place and transport victim in stable position (lying sideways). Remove contaminated clothing immediately and dispose of safely.			
Skin contact	Wash off immediately with soap and plenty of water.			
Eye contact	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present, after the first 5 minutes, then continue rinsing eye. Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists.			
Ingestion	Call a physician or poison control center immediately. Rinse mouth. Induce vomiting only, if: 1. patient is fully conscious, 2. medical aid is not readily available, 3. a significant amount (more than a mouthful) has been ingested and 4. time since ingestion is less than 1 hour. (Vomit should not get into the respiratory tract.)			
4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed				
Symptoms If large amounts are ingested, the following symptoms may occur				
	Vomiting, Dizziness, Abdominal pain, Nausea			
	Symptoms and hazards refer to effects observed after intake of significant amounts of the active ingredient(s).			
4.3 Indication of any immedia	te medical attention and special treatment needed			
Treatment	Treat symptomatically. Monitor: respiratory and cardiac functions. In case of ingestion gastric lavage should be considered in cases of significant ingestions only within the first 2 hours. However, the application of activated charcoal and sodium sulphate is always advisable. There is no specific antidote.			

SECTION 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

5.1 Extinguishing media	

Suitable	Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.
Unsuitable	High volume water jet



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5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture	In the event of fire the following may be released:, Hydrogen chloride (HCI), Hydrogen cyanide (hydrocyanic acid), Carbon monoxide (CO), Nitrogen oxides (NOx)		
5.3 Advice for firefighters			
Special protective equipment for firefighters	Wear self-contained breathing apparatus and protective suit.		
Further information	Contain the spread of the fire-fighting media. Do not allow run-off from fire fighting to enter drains or water courses.		
	Whenever possible, contain fire-fighting water by diking area with sand or earth. Remove product from areas of fire, or otherwise cool containers with water in order to avoid pressure being built up due to heat.		
Hazchem Code	2Z		

SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Precautions	Avoid contact with spilled product or contaminated surfaces. Use personal protective equipment. When dealing with a spillage do not eat, drink or smoke.
6.2 Environmental precautions	Do not allow to get into surface water, drains and ground water. If the product contaminates rivers and lakes or drains inform respective authorities.
6.3 Methods and materials for	containment and cleaning up
Methods for cleaning up	Use mechanical handling equipment. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal. Clean contaminated floors and objects thoroughly, observing environmental regulations.
6.4 Reference to other sections	Information regarding safe handling, see section 7. Information regarding personal protective equipment, see section 8. Information regarding waste disposal, see section 13.

SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Advice on safe handling	No specific precautions required when handling unopened packs/containers; follow relevant manual handling advice.		
Advice on protection against fire and explosion	No special precautions required.		
Hygiene measures	Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Keep working clothes separately. Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling the product. Remove soiled clothing immediately and clean thoroughly before using again. Garments that cannot be cleaned must be destroyed (burnt).		



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7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Requirements for storage areas and containers	Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Store in original container. Store in a place accessible by authorized persons only. Keep away from direct sunlight. Keep out of reach of children and animals.
Advice on common storage	Keep away from food, drink and animal feedingstuffs.

SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

8.1 Control parameters

Components	CAS-No.	Control parameters	Update	Basis
Imidacloprid	138261-41-3	0.7 mg/m3		OES BCS*
		(TWA)		

*OES BCS: Internal Bayer CropScience "Occupational Exposure Standard"

8.2 Exposure controls

Respiratory protection	Respiratory protection is not required under anticipated circumstances of exposure. Respiratory protection should only be used to control residual risk of short duration activities, when all reasonably practicable steps have been taken to reduce exposure at source e.g. containment and/or local extract ventilation. Always follow respirator manufacturer's instructions regarding wearing and maintenance.
Hand protection	Wear CE Marked (or equivalent) nitrile rubber gloves (minimum thickness of 0,4 mm). Wash when contaminated and dispose of when contaminated inside, when perforated or when contamination on the outside cannot be removed. Wash hands frequently and always before eating, drinking, smoking or using the toilet.
Eye protection	Wear goggles (conforming to EN166, Field of Use = 5 or equivalent).
Skin and body protection	Wear standard coveralls and Category 3 Type 5 suit. If there is a risk of significant exposure, consider a higher protective type suit. Wear two layers of clothing wherever possible. Polyester/cotton or cotton overalls should be worn under chemical protection suit and should be professionally laundered frequently.
General protective measures	In normal use and handling conditions please refer to the label and/or leaflet. In all other cases the above mentioned recommendations would apply.
Engineering Controls	
	No specific precautions required when handling unopened packs/containers; follow relevant manual handling advice.



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SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Form	tablet
Colour	beige to brown
Odour	weak, characteristic
9.2 Other information	Further safety related physical-chemical data are not known.

SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

10.1 Reactivity	
Thermal decomposition	Stable under normal conditions.
10.2 Chemical stability	Stable under recommended storage conditions.
10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions	No hazardous reactions when stored and handled according to prescribed instructions.
10.4 Conditions to avoid	Heat, flames and sparks.
10.5 Incompatible materials	Oxidizing agents
10.6 Hazardous decomposition products	Thermal decomposition can lead to release of: Hydrogen chloride (HCI) Hydrogen cyanide (hydrocyanic acid) Carbon monoxide Nitrogen oxides (NOx)

SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Acute oral toxicity	LD50 (Rat) >= 5,000 mg/kg	
Acute inhalation toxicity	During intended and foreseen applications, no respirable aerosol is formed.	
Acute dermal toxicity	LD50 (Rat) > 2,000 mg/kg	
Skin irritation Eye irritation	No skin irritation (Rabbit) No eye irritation (Rabbit)	
Sensitisation	Non-sensitizing. (Rabbit) OECD Test Guideline 429, local lymph node assay (LLNA)	

Assessment mutagenicity

Imidacloprid was not mutagenic or genotoxic based on the overall weight of evidence in a battery of in vitro and in vivo tests.

Assessment carcinogenicity



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Imidacloprid was not carcinogenic in lifetime feeding studies in rats and mice.

Assessment toxicity to reproduction

Imidacloprid caused reproduction toxicity in a two-generation study in rats only at dose levels also toxic to the parent animals. The reproduction toxicity seen with Imidacloprid is related to parental toxicity.

Assessment developmental toxicity

Imidacloprid caused developmental toxicity only at dose levels toxic to the dams. The developmental effects seen with Imidacloprid are related to maternal toxicity.

Assessment STOT Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure

Imidacloprid did not cause specific target organ toxicity in experimental animal studies.

Aspiration hazard

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

Information on likely routes of exposure

Caution!

Harmful if swallowed or absorbed through skin., Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Highly toxic to aquatic invertebrates., May cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.

Early onset symptoms related to exposure

Refer to Section 4

Delayed health effects from exposure Refer to Section 11

Exposure levels and health effects Refer to Section 4

Interactive effects

Not known

When specific chemical data is not available Not applicable

Mixture of chemicals Refer to Section 2.1

SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

12.1 Toxicity	
Toxicity to fish	LC50 (Oncorhynchus mykiss (rainbow trout)) 211 mg/l Exposure time: 96 h The value mentioned relates to the active ingredient imidacloprid.
Toxicity to aquatic invertebrates	EC50 (Daphnia magna (Water flea)) 85 mg/l Exposure time: 48 h The value mentioned relates to the active ingredient imidacloprid. EC50 (Chironomus riparius (non-biting midge)) 0.0552 mg/l



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	Exposure time: 24 h The value mentioned relates to the active ingredient imidacloprid.	
Chronic toxicity to aquatic invertebrates	EC10 (Chironomus riparius (non-biting midge)): 2,09 μg/l Exposure time: 28 d The value mentioned relates to the active ingredient imidacloprid.	
Toxicity to aquatic plants	IC50 (Desmodesmus subspicatus (green algae)) > 10 mg/l Growth rate; Exposure time: 72 h The value mentioned relates to the active ingredient imidacloprid.	
Toxicity to bacteria	EC50 (activated sludge) > 10,000 mg/l The value mentioned relates to the active ingredient imidacloprid.	
Toxicity to other organisms	LD50 (Coturnix japonica (Japanese quail)) 31 mg/kg The value mentioned relates to the active ingredient imidacloprid.	
12.2 Persistence and degradability		
Biodegradability	Not readily biodegradable. The value mentioned relates to the active ingredient imidacloprid.	
12.3 Bioaccumulative potential		
Bioaccumulation	Not applicable for this mixture.	
12.4 Mobility in soil		
Mobility in soil	Adsorbs on soil. The value mentioned relates to the active ingredient imidacloprid.	
12.5 Other adverse effects		
Additional ecological information	No other effects to be mentioned.	

SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Dispose of empty container by wrapping in paper, placing in plastic bag and putting in the garbage. DO NOT burn empty containers or product.

SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

ADG

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	UN number	3077
	Transport hazard class(es)	9
	Subsidiary Risk	None
	Packaging group	III
	Description of the goods	ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID,
		N.O.S.
		(IMIDACLOPRID MIXTURE)
	Hazchem Code	2Z

According to AU01, Environmentally Hazardous Substances in packagings, IBC or any other receptacle not exceeding 500 kg or 500 L are not subject to the ADG Code.



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	UN number Transport hazard class(es) Subsidiary Risk Packaging group Marine pollutant Description of the goods	3077 9 None III YES ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S. (IMIDACLOPRID MIXTURE)
ΙΑΤΑ	UN number Transport hazard class(es) Subsidiary Risk Packaging group Environm. Hazardous Mark Description of the goods	3077 9 None III YES ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S. (IMIDACLOPRID MIXTURE)

SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Registered according to the Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals Code Act 1994 Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority approval number: 60391

SUSMP classification (Poison Schedule)

Schedule 5 (Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons)

SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION

Trademark information Initiator® is a registered trademark of the Bayer Group.

This SDS 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 should read this SDS and consider the information in the context of how the product will be handled and used in the workplace including in conjunction with other products.

If clarification or further information is needed to ensure that an appropriate risk assessment can be made, the user should contact this company.

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.

Abbreviations and acronyms

ADN	European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by
	Inland Waterways
ADR	European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by
	Road
ATE	Acute toxicity estimate
AU OEL	Australia. OELs. (Adopted National Exposure Standards for Atmospheric



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	Contaminants in the Occupational Environment)
CAS-Nr.	Chemical Abstracts Service number
CEILING	Ceiling Limit Value
Conc.	Concentration
EC-No.	European community number
ECx	Effective concentration to x %
EINECS	European inventory of existing commercial substances
ELINCS	European list of notified chemical substances
EN	European Standard
EU	European Union
IATA	International Air Transport Association
IBC	International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Dangerous
	Chemicals in Bulk (IBC Code)
ICx	Inhibition concentration to x $\acute{\infty}$
IMDG	International Maritime Dangerous Goods
LCx	Lethal concentration to x %
LDx	Lethal dose to x %
LOEC/LOEL	Lowest observed effect concentration/level
MARPOL	MARPOL: International Convention for the prevention of marine pollution from ships
N.O.S.	Not otherwise specified
NOEC/NOEL	No observed effect concentration/level
OECD	Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development
OES BCS	OES BCS: Internal Bayer CropScience "Occupational Exposure Standard"
PEAK	PEAK: Exposure Standard - Peak means a maximum or peak airborne concentration
	of a particular substance determined over the shortest analytically practicable period of
	time which does not exceed 15 minutes.
RID	Regulations concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail
SK-SEN	Skin sensitiser
SKIN_DES	SKIN_DES: Skin notation: Absorption through the skin may be a significant source of
_	exposure.
STEL	STEL: Exposure standard - short term exposure limit (STEL): A 15 minute TWA
-	exposure which should not be exceeded at any time during a working day even if the
	eight-hour TWA average is within the TWA exposure standard. Exposures at the STEL
	should not be longer than 15 minutes and should not be repeated more than four times
	per day. There should be at least 60 minutes between successive exposures at the
	STEL.
TWA	TWA: Exposure standard - time-weighted average (TWA): The average airborne
	concentration of a particular substance when calculated over a normal eight-hour
	working day, for a five-day working week.
TWA	Time weighted average
UN	United Nations
WHO	World health organisation
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Changes since	e the last version are highlighted in the margin. This version replaces all previous

versions.

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