



Material Safety Data Sheet

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12U-142B - WEEVIL-CIDE Gas Bags

1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

UPI
630 Freedom Business Center
Suite 402
King of Prussia, PA 19406

Emergency Telephone Number
Chemtrec: (800) 424-9300 (24hrs) or (703) 527-3887
Medical: Rocky Mountain Poison Control Center
(866) 673-6871 (24hrs)

<u>Company Information</u>	<u>Contact Information</u>	<u>Phone Number</u>	<u>Available Hrs</u>
UPI	Customer Service R&D Technical Service	1-800-438-6071 610-878-6100	8:00 am to 5:00 pm EST 8:00 am - 5:00 pm (EST)

Product Name	WEEVIL-CIDE Gas Bags
EPA Reg #	70506-15
Recommended Use	Fumigant
Product Code	12U-142B

2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Emergency Overview

Aluminum phosphide - reacts with water to produce phosphine gas (PH₃).
Ammonium carbamate releases ammonia and carbon dioxide.

Dangerous when wet
Fatal if swallowed or inhaled.

When sealed containers are opened contact with the moisture in the air will cause phosphine gas to be released.
Phosphine is spontaneously flammable in air.

DANGER!

Appearance light grey, to, Greenish.

Physical State Solid. Pellet/tablet.

Odor Garlic like. Pure phosphine gas is odorless but a garlic odor might be detected due to a contaminant. Since odor may not be detected under certain circumstances, the absence of a garlic odor does not mean that phosphine gas is absent.

Potential Health Effects

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- Inhalation
 - Ingestion
 - Skin contact
- Acute Effects**

Phosphine gas is odorless. Accidental ingestion of aluminum phosphide or inhalation of phosphine gas have been reported to produce CNS depression, pulmonary edema, respiratory distress syndrome, cardiac dysrhythmias, seizures, liver injury and renal failure.

- Eyes**
- Skin**
- Inhalation**
- Ingestion**

Irritating to eyes.
 Irritating to skin.
 Fatal if inhaled - Do not breathe mist/vapors..
 Fatal if swallowed - Do not eat, drink, or smoke while handling this product. .

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Ingredients Name			
Chemical Name	CAS-No	Weight %	OSHA PEL
Aluminum phosphide	20859-73-8	60	N/A

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Eye Contact Hold eye open and rinse slowly and gently with water for 15 - 20 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present, after 5 minutes, then continue rinsing eye.

Skin Contact Brush or shake off material. Wash contaminated skin with soapy water in a well ventilated area. Call poison control center or doctor for treatment advice.

Inhalation Move person to fresh air. If person is not breathing, call 911 or an ambulance, then give artificial respiration. Call a physician or Poison Control Centre immediately

Ingestion Immediate medical attention is required. Call a physician or Poison Control Center immediately. Do not induce vomiting unless told to do so by a poison control center or doctor. Vomiting may off-gas and release phosphine, which could pose a risk of secondary contamination. Do not give water (potential additional formation of phosphine) unless authorized by a physician.

Notes to Physician Aluminum phosphide- This product reacts with moisture from air, water, acids and many other liquids to release hydrogen phosphide (phosphine) gas. Symptoms of severe poisoning may occur within a few hours to several days. Phosphine poisoning may result in; pulmonary edema, liver elevated serum GOT, LDH and alkaline phosphatase, reduced prothrombin, hemorrhage and jaundice, and kidney hematuria and anuria. Pathology is characterized by hypoxia.

5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

Flammable Explosive Properties

Flash Point Aluminum phosphide - is not flammable. However, it reacts readily with water to produce hydrogen phosphide (phosphine, PH₃) gas which may ignite spontaneously in air concentrations

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Autoignition Temperature	above the LEL of 1.8% v/v. Not available
Flammability Limits in Air Lower 1.8% v/v	
Extinguishing Media	Carbon dioxide (CO2) Dry powder Dry chemical Sand
Fire/Explosion Hazard	Alphos = Hydrogen phosphide (Phosphine)/air mixtures at concentrations above the lower flammable limit may ignite spontaneously. Ignition of high concentrations of hydrogen phosphide can produce a very energetic reaction. Explosions can occur under these conditions and may cause personal injury. Never allow the build-up of hydrogen phosphide to exceed explosive concentrations. Containers of metal phosphides should be opened in open air and never in a flammable atmosphere. Do not confine spent or partially spent dust from metal phosphide fumigants as slow release of the hydrogen phosphide from these materials may result in formation of an explosive atmosphere. Spontaneous ignition may occur if large quantities of aluminum phosphide are piled in contact with liquid water. Fires containing hydrogen phosphide or metal phosphides will produce phosphoric acid by the following reaction: $2PH_3 + 4O_2 = H_2O + P_2O_5 = 2H_3PO_4$
Hazardous Combustion Products	Phosphine gas.
NFPA	Health 4
	Flammability 4
	Instability 2

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal Precautions	Remove all sources of ignition. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Use personal protective equipment.
Environmental Precautions	Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system. Should not be released into the environment.
Methods for Clean-up	Do not use water at any time during clean-up. Wear gloves when handling aluminum phosphide. Damaged aluminum flasks should be transferred to a sound dry metal container and immediately seal and properly label as aluminum phosphide. Follow all label instructions for disposal of residual material and/or empty containers.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling	Keep out of reach of children. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Remove all sources of ignition. Wear personal protective equipment. It is recommended that the gas-tight, aluminum flask be opened in open air or near a fan, which exhausts outside immediately. Never open in a flammable atmosphere as the product may, although rare, flash. When opening, point container away from the face and body. These precautions will reduce the applicators potential for exposure to hydrogen phosphide (phosphine) gas. Do not expose product to atmospheric moisture any longer than is necessary.
Storage	Store in cool/well-ventilated place. Store in original container. Keep away from heat and sources of ignition. Do not store in buildings where humans or domestic animals reside.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

Exposure Guidelines	
Engineering Controls	Investigate engineering techniques to reduce exposures. Local mechanical exhaust ventilation is preferred. Consult ACGIH ventilation manual or NFPA Standard 91 for design of exhaust systems. Use equipment/monitors for the detection of phosphine

gas .

Personal Protective Equipment
Eye/Face Protection

Where there is potential for eye contact have eye flushing equipment available.. Eye contact should be avoided through the use of chemical safety glasses, goggles, or a faceshield selected in regard to exposure potential..

Skin Protection
Respiratory Protection

Wear protective gloves/clothing.
 A NIOSH/MESA approved full face mask with approved canister for phosphine may be employed for concentrations up to 15 ppm. At concentrations above that level, or when concentration is unknown, NIOSH/MESA approved SCBA or equivalent must be worn .

General Hygiene Considerations

Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling the product. Wear suitable gloves and eye/face protection, Wear respiratory protection. .

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance	light grey to Greenish	Odor	Garlic like Pure phosphine gas is odorless but a garlic odor might be detected due to a contaminant. Since odor may not be detected under certain circumstances, the absence of a garlic odor does not mean that phosphine gas is absent.
Physical State	Solid Pellet/tablet	pH	No data available
Boiling Point/Range	Not available	Melting Point/Range	Not available
Specific Gravity	2.85	Solubility	Insoluble
Evaporation Rate	Not available	Vapor Pressure	Not available
Vapor Density	Not available	VOC Content	Not available
Viscosity	Not available	Molecular Weight	No data available
Bulk Density	No data available	Percent Solids	Not available
Percent Volatiles	Not available		

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Stability	This product is stable to most chemical reactions except for hydrolysis. A component of this product, aluminum phosphide, reacts with moisture from the air, water, acids and many other liquids to produce toxic and flammable hydrogen phosphine gas. Pure hydrogen phosphide (phosphine) gas is practically insoluble in water, fats and oils and is stable at normal fumigation temperatures.
Conditions to Avoid	Exposure to moisture. Protect from water.
Incompatible Materials	oxidizers. Water - moisture. Hydrogen phosphide may react with certain metals (gold, silver, brass, other precious metals and their alloys) and cause corrosion especially at high temperatures and relative humidities. Small electric detectors, brass sprinkler heads, batteries and battery chargers, forklifts, temperature monitoring systems, electrical switch gear, communication devices, computers, calculators, watches and other electronic equipments should be protected or removed before fumigation. . Hydrogen phosphide gas will also react with certain metallic salts and, therefore such items as photographic film, copying papers and some inorganic pigments, etc. should not be exposed. .
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Phosphine gas.
Possibility of Hazardous Polymerization	Hazardous polymerisation does not occur

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

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Acute Toxicity**Component Information**

Aluminum phosphide -
 Acute oral LD50 = 11.5 mg/kg
 Acute dermal LD50 = >5,000 mg/kg (1 hr exposure)
 Sensitization = Not a sensitizer

Hydrogen phosphide (phosphine) gas -
 Inhalation = LC50 190 ppm (1 hour)

Chronic Toxicity**Carcinogenicity**

Aluminum phosphide:
 Chronic effects = Not expected to produce target organ effects
 Mutagenicity = No data
 Carcinogenicity = Not classified as a carcinogen by IARC, OSHA, or NTP
 Reproductive and Developmental Effects = Not expected to produce reproductive or developmental effects.

Hydrogen phosphide (phosphine) gas -
 Chronic effects = In a 2-year study, rats were exposed to 48-90 g/m³ of feed and no overt systemic toxicity was noted.
 Mutagenicity = Increased frequency of cells with structural chromosomal aberrations noted in an invitro cytogenetic assay with Chinese hamster ovary cells.
 Carcinogenicity = Not classified as a carcinogen by IARC, OSHA or NTP
 Reproductive and developmental effects = Not expected to product reproductive or developmental effects. .

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity

Highly toxic to wildlife. Non-target organisms exposed to phosphine gas in burrows will be killed. .

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste Disposal Method

Pesticide wastes are acutely hazardous. Improper disposal of excess pesticide or rinsate is a violation of Federal law. If the wastes cannot be disposed of by use or according to label instructions, contact your State Pesticide or Environmental Control Agency, or the Hazardous Waste representative at the nearest EPA Regional Office for guidance. . Follow label for proper disposal instructions. .

Contaminated Packaging

Empty containers may contain hazardous residues. Containers should be handled as instructed by following all container disposal directions. .

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

DOT

Proper Shipping Name	Aluminum phosphide mixture
Hazard Class	4.3
Subsidiary Class	6.1
UN-No	UN1397
Packing Group	PG I
Reportable Quantity (RQ):	100 lbs

ICAO

UN-No	1397
Proper Shipping Name	Aluminum phosphide
Hazard Class	4.3
Subsidiary Class	6.1

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Packing Group Description PG I
Forbidden by passenger aircraft

JATA

UN-No 1397
Proper Shipping Name Aluminum phosphide
Hazard Class 4.3
Subsidiary Class 6.1
Packing Group PG I
ERG Code 4PW

IMDG/IMO

Proper Shipping Name Aluminum phosphide
Hazard Class 4.3
Subsidiary Class 6.1
UN-No 1397
Packing Group PG I
EmS No. F-G, S-N

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

International Inventories

Aluminum phosphide
NDSL Listed
EINECS/ELINCS Listed
CHINA Listed
KECL Listed

USA

Federal Regulations

SARA 313

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Chemical Name	CAS-No	Weight %
Aluminum phosphide	20859-73-8	60

SARA 311/312 Hazardous Categorization

Chronic Health Hazard No
Acute Health Hazard Yes
Fire Hazard Yes
Sudden Release of Pressure Hazard No
Reactive Hazard Yes

Clean Water Act

Clean Air Act, Section 112 Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs), (see 40 CFR 61)

This product does not contain any HAPs.

CERCLA

Chemical Name	RQ
Aluminum phosphide	Listed.

Chemical Name	CERCLA EHS RQs
Aluminum phosphide	100 lbs

RCRA

Chemical Name	RCRA - D Series Wastes	RCRA - P Series Wastes	RCRA - U Series Wastes
Aluminum phosphide		P006	

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Pesticide Information

State Regulations

California Proposition 65

This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals.

State Right-to-Know

Chemical Name	Massachusetts	New Jersey	Pennsylvania	Illinois	Rhode Island
Aluminum phosphide	Listed.	Substance no. 0063 Listed.	Listed.	Listed.	

International Regulations

Mexico - Grade Not available

Canada

This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations (CPR) and the MSDS contains all the information required by the CPR.

WHMIS Hazard Class

Not determined

16. OTHER INFORMATION

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Revision Summary

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