



## 1. CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

**Product Name:** Nufarm Diquat SPC 2L  
**EPA Reg. No.:** 228-675  
**Product Type:** Manufacturing Use Product for Formulating Use Only - Herbicide  
**Company Name:** Nufarm Americas Inc.  
 11901 S. Austin Avenue  
 Alsip, IL 60803  
 1-800-345-3330

**Telephone Numbers:** For Chemical Emergency, Spill, Leak, Fire, Exposure, or Accident,  
 Call CHEMTREC Day or Night: 1-800-424-9300  
 For Medical Emergencies Only, Call 1-877-325-1840

This product is an EPA FIFRA registered pesticide. Some classifications on this SDS are not the same as the FIFRA label. Certain sections of this SDS are superseded by federal law governed by EPA for a registered pesticide. Please see Section 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION for explanation.

## 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### PHYSICAL HAZARDS:

Corrosive to metals Category 1

### HEALTH HAZARDS:

Acute toxicity, oral Category 4  
 Acute toxicity, inhalation Category 3  
 Eye Damage/Irritation Category 2B  
 Skin irritation Category 2  
 Specific target organ toxicity – Repeated exposure Category 2

### ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS:

Hazardous to aquatic environment, acute Category 3

### SIGNAL WORD:

DANGER

### HAZARD STATEMENTS:

May be corrosive to metals. Harmful if swallowed. Causes eye irritation. Toxic if inhaled. May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure



### PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS

Keep in original container. Do not breathe mist, vapors, spray. Wash hands and face thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.

IF SWALLOWED: Call a poison control center or doctor if you feel unwell. Rinse mouth.

IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.

IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice.

Absorb spillage to prevent material damage. Store locked up. Store in corrosive resistant, plastic-lined steel, stainless steel or fiberglass container.

Dispose of contents and container in accordance with local regulations.

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Other Hazard Statements: Flammable hydrogen gas may be formed on contact with incompatible metals. See "Conditions to Avoid", Section 10.

### 3. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

COMPONENTS	CAS NO.	% BY WEIGHT
Diquat Dibromide	85-00-7	36.2 – 38.4
Other Ingredients	Trade Secret	Trade Secret

**Synonyms:** Mixture containing Diquat Dibromide; 6,7-dihydrodipyrido (1,2-a:2',1'-c) pyrazinediium dibromide

Ingredients not precisely identified are proprietary or non-hazardous. Values are not product specifications.

### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

**If in Eyes:** Hold eye open and rinse slowly and gently with water for 15 to 20 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present, after the first 5 minutes, then continue rinsing eye. Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice.

**If Swallowed:** Call a poison control center or doctor immediately for treatment advice. Have person sip a glass of water if able to swallow. Do not induce vomiting unless told to do so by the poison control center or doctor. Do not give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.

**If on Skin or Clothing:** Take off contaminated clothing. Rinse skin immediately with plenty of water for 15 to 20 minutes. Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice.

**If Inhaled:** Move person to fresh air. If person is not breathing, call 911 or an ambulance, then give artificial respiration, preferably by mouth-to-mouth, if possible. Call a poison control center or doctor for further treatment advice.

**Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed:** Eye irritation.

**Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment if needed:** None expected. For ingestion there is no specific antidote available. Treatment for ingestion of this product must begin immediately. Treatment consists of binding the active ingredient, diquat, in the gut with suspensions of activated charcoal or bentonite clay, administration of cathartics to enhance elimination and removal of diquat from the blood by charcoal hemoperfusion or continuous hemodialysis.

### 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

**Extinguishing Media:** Use extinguishing media suitable for surrounding materials. Dry chemical, carbon dioxide, foam, water spray or fog.

**Special Fire Fighting Procedures:** Firefighters should wear NIOSH/MSHA approved self-contained breathing apparatus and full fire-fighting turn out gear. Dike area to prevent runoff and contamination of water sources. Dispose of fire control water later.

**Unusual Fire and Explosion Hazards:** If water is used to fight fire, contain runoff, using dikes to prevent contamination of water supplies. Dispose of fire control water later.

**Hazardous Decomposition Materials (Under Fire Conditions):** May produce oxides of carbon and nitrogen and fumes of bromide.

### 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

**Personal Precautions:** Wear appropriate protective gear for the situation. See Personal Protection information in Section 8.

**Environmental Precautions:** Prevent material from entering public sewer systems or any waterways. Do not flush to drain. Large spills to soil or similar surfaces may necessitate removal of topsoil. The affected area should be removed and placed in an appropriate container for disposal.

**Methods for Containment:** Dike spill using absorbent or impervious materials such as earth, sand or clay. Collect and contain contaminated absorbent and dike material for disposal.

**Methods for Cleanup and Disposal:** Pump any free liquid into an appropriate closed container. Collect washings for disposal. Decontaminate tools and equipment following cleanup. See Section 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS for more information.

**Other Information:** Large spills may be reportable to the National Response Center (800-424-8802) and to state and/or local agencies.

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

**HANDLING:**

This product reacts with aluminum to produce flammable hydrogen gas. Do not mix or store in containers or systems made of aluminum or having aluminum fittings.

Avoid breathing mist, vapors, spray. Avoid contact with eyes or clothing. Users should wash hands before eating, drinking, chewing gum, using tobacco, or using the toilet. Remove clothing/Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) immediately if pesticide gets inside. Then wash thoroughly and put on clean clothing. Remove PPE immediately after handling this product. Wash the outside of gloves before removing. As soon as possible, wash thoroughly and change into clean clothing.

**STORAGE:**

Store in original container. Do not put concentrate or dilute into food or drink containers. Store at temperatures above 32° C. Do not store or transport near food or feed. Do not store near fertilizers, seeds, insecticides, or fungicides. Do not contaminate water, food or feed by storage or disposal. Open dumping is prohibited.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

**Engineering Controls:**

Where engineering controls are indicated by specific use conditions or a potential for excessive exposure, use local exhaust ventilation at the point of generation.

**Personal Protective Equipment:**

**Eye/Face Protection:** To avoid contact with eyes, wear chemical goggles or shielded safety glasses. An emergency eyewash or water supply should be readily accessible to the work area.

**Skin Protection:** To avoid contact with skin, wear long-sleeved shirt and long pants, shoes, socks, and gloves. An emergency shower or water supply should be readily accessible to the work area.

**Respiratory Protection:** Not normally required. If vapors or mists exceed acceptable levels, wear NIOSH approved air-purifying respirator with cartridges/canisters approved for use against pesticides.

**General Hygiene Considerations:** Personal hygiene is an important work practice exposure control measure and the following general measures should be taken when working with or handling this material: 1) do not store, use and/or consume foods, beverages, tobacco products, or cosmetics in areas where this material is stored; 2) wash hands and face carefully before eating, drinking, using tobacco, applying cosmetics or using the toilet.

**Exposure Guidelines:**

Component	OSHA		ACGIH		Unit
	TWA	C	TWA	STEL	
Diquat dibromide	NE	NE	0.5 (I) (Skin) 0.1(R) (Skin)	NE	mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Other Ingredients	NE	NE	NE	NE	

I = Inhalable Fraction

R = Respirable Fraction

NE = Not Established

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

<b>Appearance:</b>	Dark brown liquid
<b>Odor:</b>	Odorless
<b>Odor threshold:</b>	No data available
<b>pH:</b>	5.962 (1% w/w dilution in DIW)
<b>Melting point/freezing point:</b>	325° C
<b>Initial boiling point and boiling range</b>	No data available
<b>Flash point:</b>	Not applicable due to aqueous formulation
<b>Evaporation rate:</b>	No data available
<b>Flammability (solid, gas):</b>	No data available
<b>Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits:</b>	No data available
<b>Vapor pressure:</b>	No data available
<b>Vapor density:</b>	No data available
<b>Relative density:</b>	1.20 g/ml @ 20° C
<b>Solubility(ies):</b>	No data available

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**Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water:** No data available  
**Autoignition temperature:** No data available  
**Decomposition temperature:** No data available  
**Viscosity:** 1.626 mPa.s @ 20° C; 1.0858mPa.s @ 40 ° C

**Note:** Physical data are typical values, but may vary from sample to sample. A typical value should not be construed as a guaranteed analysis or as a specification.

### 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**Reactivity:** Reacts with aluminum to produce flammable hydrogen gas. Do not store or allow this product to contact galvanized steel or unlined steel (except stainless steel) containers. This product reacts with such containers to produce hydrogen gas which may form a highly combustible mixture. This gas mixture could flash or explode, causing serious personal injury, if ignited by open flame, spark, welder's torch, lighted cigarette or other ignition source.

**Chemical Stability:** This material is stable under normal handling and storage conditions.

**Possible Hazardous Reactions:** This product reacts with aluminum, galvanized steel and unlined steel containers (except stainless steel) to produce hydrogen gas which may form a highly combustible mixture. This gas mixture could flash or explode, causing serious personal injury, if ignited by open flame, spark, welder's torch, lighted cigarette or other ignition source.

**Conditions to Avoid:** Do not store in aluminum, galvanized or unlined metal containers (except stainless steel). Excessive heat and open flame.

**Incompatible Materials:** Corrosive to aluminum. Strong alkalis, anionic wetting agents and oxidizing agents.

**Hazardous Decomposition Products:** Under fire conditions may produce oxides of carbon and nitrogen and fumes of bromide.

### 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Likely Routes of Exposure:** Eye contact, Skin contact

**Symptoms of Exposure:**

**Eye Contact:** Mildly irritating based on toxicity studies.

**Skin Contact:** Slightly toxic and slightly irritating based on toxicity studies.

**Ingestion:** Moderately toxic based on toxicity studies.

**Inhalation:** Moderately toxic based on toxicity studies.

**Delayed, immediate and chronic effects of exposure:** Causes eye irritation. Causes skin irritation. May cause respiratory irritation. Causes damage to organs (liver, kidney) through prolonged or repeated exposure.

**Toxicological Data:**

Data from laboratory studies conducted on a similar, but not identical, formulation:

**Oral:** Rat LD<sub>50</sub>: 886 mg/kg (female)

**Dermal:** Rat LD<sub>50</sub>: >5,050 mg/kg

**Inhalation:** Rat 4-hr LC<sub>50</sub>: 0.62 mg/L

**Eye Irritation:** Rabbit: Mildly irritating

**Skin Irritation:** Rabbit: Slightly irritating

**Skin Sensitization:** Not a contact sensitizer in guinea pigs following repeated skin exposure.

**Subchronic (Target Organ) Effects:** Repeated overexposure to diquat dibromide may cause effects to skin, lungs, liver and kidneys.

**Carcinogenicity / Chronic Health Effects:** Prolonged overexposure to diquat dibromide may cause effects to eyes (cataracts) and kidneys. There was no evidence of carcinogenicity in animal studies using diquat dibromide.

**Reproductive Toxicity:** Animal tests with diquat dibromide have not demonstrated reproductive effects.

**Developmental Toxicity:** Animal studies on diquat dibromide resulted in decreased fetal body weight, kidney and skeletal effects at doses that were also toxic to mother animals.

**Genotoxicity:** No evidence of mutagenicity in *in vivo* assays using diquat dibromide.

**Assessment Carcinogenicity:** None listed with ACGIH, IARC, NTP or OSHA.

### 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Ecotoxicity:**

Data on Diquat dibromide:

**Bluegill** 96-hour LC<sub>50</sub>: 13.9 ppm      **Bobwhite Quail** 8-day Dietary LC<sub>50</sub>: 106 ppm

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**Rainbow Trout** 96-hour LC<sub>50</sub>: 14.8 ppm  
**Daphnia** 48-hour EC<sub>50</sub>: 0.77-1.19 ppm

**Mallard Duck** 8-day Dietary LC<sub>50</sub>: 980 ppm  
**Honey Bee** LC<sub>50</sub>: 47-100 µg/bee

### Environmental Fate:

Diquat dibromide's primary route of environmental dissipation is strong adsorption to soil particles, aquatic sediments or suspended particulates, which typically have a large excess of binding capacity. The strong chemical bonds formed by diquat absorption to soil particles make the herbicide biologically unavailable to terrestrial or aquatic organisms. Diquat does not hydrolyze or photodegrade and is resistant to microbial degradation under aerobic and anaerobic conditions.

## 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

### Waste Disposal Method:

This product is acutely hazardous. Improper disposal of excess pesticide, spray mixture or rinsate is a violation of Federal law. If these wastes cannot be disposed of by use 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.

### Container Handling and Disposal:

**Nonrefillable Containers 5 Gallons or Less:** Nonrefillable container. Do not reuse or refill this container. Triple rinse container (or equivalent) promptly after emptying.

**Triple rinse as follows:** Empty the remaining contents into application equipment or a mix tank and drain for 10 seconds after the flow begins to drip. Fill the container 1/4 full with water and recap. Shake for 10 seconds. Pour rinsate into application equipment or a mix tank or store rinsate for later use or disposal. Drain for 10 seconds after the flow begins to drip. Repeat this procedure two more times. Then offer for recycling or reconditioning, or puncture and dispose of in a sanitary landfill, or by other procedures approved by State and local authorities. Plastic containers are also disposable by incineration, or, if allowed by State and local authorities, by burning. If burned stay out of smoke.

**Nonrefillable containers larger than 5 gallons:** Nonrefillable container. Do not reuse or refill this container. Offer for recycling if available. Triple rinse or pressure rinse container (or equivalent) promptly after emptying.

**Triple rinse as follows:** Empty the remaining contents into application equipment or a mix tank. Fill the container 1/4 full with water. Replace and tighten closures. Tip container on its side and roll it back and forth, ensuring at least one complete revolution, for 30 seconds. Stand the container on its end and tip it back and forth several times. Turn the container over onto its other end and tip it back and forth several times. Empty the rinsate into application equipment or a mix tank or store rinsate for later use or disposal. Repeat this procedure two more times.

**Pressure rinse as follows:** Empty the remaining contents into application equipment or a mix tank and continue to drain for 10 seconds after the flow begins to drip. Hold container upside down over application equipment or mix tank or collect rinsate for later use or disposal. Insert pressure rinsing nozzle in the side of the container, and rinse at about 40 psi for at least 30 seconds. Drain for 10 seconds after the flow begins to drip.

**Refillable containers larger than 5 gallons:** Refillable container. Refill this container with pesticide only. Do not reuse this container for any other purpose. Cleaning the container before final disposal is the responsibility of the person disposing of the container. Cleaning before refilling is the responsibility of the refiller. To clean the container before final disposal, empty the remaining contents from this container into application equipment or a mix tank. Fill the container about 10% full with water and, if possible, spray all sides while adding water. Agitate vigorously or recirculate water with the pump for two minutes. Pour or pump rinsate into application equipment or rinsate collection system. Repeat this rinsing procedure two more times.

## 14. TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

Follow the precautions indicated in Section 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE of this SDS.

### DOT

< 268 gallons per completed package:

UN 2927, TOXIC LIQUID, CORROSIVE, ORGANIC, n.o.s  
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≥ 268 gallons per completed package:

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## **IMDG**

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(DIQUAT DIBROMIDE), 6.1, (8), II, MARINE POLLUTANT

## **IATA**

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(DIQUAT DIBROMIDE), 6.1, (8), II

## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

### **EPA FIFRA INFORMATION**

This chemical is a pesticide product registered by the United States Environmental Protection Agency and is subject to certain labeling requirements under federal pesticide law. These requirements differ from the classification criteria and hazard information required for safety data sheets (SDS), and for workplace labels of non-pesticide chemicals. The hazard information required on the pesticide label is reproduced below. The pesticide label also includes other important information, including directions for use.

CAUTION. Harmful if inhaled. Harmful if swallowed. Causes moderate eye irritation. Avoid breathing spray mist. Avoid contact with eyes or clothing.

### **U.S. FEDERAL REGULATIONS**

**TSCA Inventory:** This product is exempted from TSCA because it is solely for FIFRA regulated use.

#### **SARA Hazard Notification/Reporting:**

##### **Hazard Categories Under Criteria of SARA Title III Rules (40 CFR Part 370):**

Immediate and Delayed

##### **Section 313 Toxic Chemical(s):**

None

##### **Reportable Quantity (RQ) under U.S. CERCLA:**

Diquat (CAS No. 85-00-7) 1,000 pounds

##### **RCRA Waste Code:**

Under RCRA, it is the responsibility of the product user to determine at the time of disposal, whether a material containing the product or derived from the product should be classified as a hazardous waste.

##### **State Information:**

Other state regulations may apply. Check individual state requirements.

**California Proposition 65:** Not Listed.

## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

### **National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Hazard Rating:**

**Rating for this product: Health: 2 Flammability: 1 Reactivity: 0**

Hazards Scale: 0 = Minimal 1 = Slight 2 = Moderate 3 = Serious 4 = Severe

This Safety Data Sheet (SDS) serves different purposes than and DOES NOT REPLACE OR MODIFY THE EPA-ACCEPTED PRODUCT LABELING (attached to and accompanying the product container). This SDS provides important health, safety and environmental information for employers, employees, emergency responders and others handling large quantities of the product in activities generally other than product use, while the labeling provides that information specifically for product use in the ordinary course.

Use, storage and disposal of pesticide products are regulated by the EPA under the authority of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) through the product labeling, and all necessary and appropriate precautionary, use, storage, and disposal information is set forth on that labeling. It is a violation of Federal law to use a pesticide product in any manner not prescribed on the EPA-accepted label.

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