# SAFETY DATA SHEET

# 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

1.1 Product identifier

Product name VALVE REGULATED LEAD ACID BATTERY, NON-SPILLABLE

Synonyms ABSORBED GLASS MATT BATTERIES ● CB, CBC, CBS, CBX, HVT, XR, VSPEC, SSTI ● FUSION AGM

BATTERIES • SEALED LEAD ACID BATTERY OR AGM BATTERY • SEALED VALVE REGULATED LEAD-ACID BATTERY • SSB BATTERIES • VALVE REGULATED LEAD ACID (VRLA), AGM,

NON-SPILLABLE, DRY CELL • VRLA

1.2 Uses and uses advised against

Uses BATTERIES ● LEAD ACID BATTERY

1.3 Details of the supplier of the product

Supplier name SUPER START BATTERIES (NZ)

Address 44 Sir Woolf Fisher Drive, East Tamaki, Auckland, 2161, NEW ZEALAND

**Telephone** +64 0 9 274 5285

Email <u>batteries@superstart.com.au</u>
Website https://superstart.com.au/

1.4 Emergency telephone numbers

**Emergency** +64 9801 0034 (Chemtrec)

## 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

## 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

HAZARDOUS ACCORDING TO NZ ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AUTHORITY CRITERIA

## **Physical Hazards**

8.1A - Substances that are corrosive to metals

## **Health Hazards**

- 6.1C Substances that are acutely toxic: Inhalation
- 6.1D Substances that are acutely toxic: Oral
- 6.1E Substances that are acutely toxic (respiratory tract irritant)
- 6.7A Substances that are known or presumed human carcinogens
- 6.8A Substances that are known or presumed human reproductive or developmental toxicants
- 6.9B Substances that are harmful to human target organs or systems: Repeated
- 8.2A Substances that are corrosive to dermal tissue
- 8.3A Substances that are corrosive to ocular tissue

# **Environmental Hazards**

9.1A - Substances that are very ecotoxic in the aquatic environment

#### 2.2 GHS Label elements

Signal word DANGER

**Pictograms** 







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#### **Hazard statements**

H290 May be corrosive to metals. H302 Harmful if swallowed.

H314 Causes severe skin burns and eve damage.

H318 Causes serious eye damage.

H331 Toxic if inhaled.

H335 May cause respiratory irritation.

H350 May cause cancer.

H360 May damage fertility or the unborn child.

H373 May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

H410 Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

#### **Prevention statements**

P102 Keep out of reach of children.
P201 Obtain special instructions before use.

P202 Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.

P234 Keep only in original container.

P260 Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.

P264 Wash thoroughly after handling.

P270 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
P271 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.

P273 Avoid release to the environment.

P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.

## Response statements

P101 If medical advice is needed, have product container or label at hand.

P301 + P330 + P331 IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.

P303 + P361 + P353 IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.

P304 + P340 IF INHALED: Remove to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.

P305 + P351 + P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to

do. Continue rinsing.

P308 + P313 IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/ attention.
P310 Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.
P321 Specific treatment is advised - see first aid instructions.

P363 Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.
P390 Absorb spillage to prevent material damage.

P391 Collect spillage.

#### Storage statements

P403 + P233 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.

P405 Store locked up.

P406 Store in corrosive resistant container with a resistant inner liner.

# **Disposal statements**

P501 Dispose of contents/container in accordance with relevant regulations.

## 2.3 Other hazards

NOTE: Hazard statement relates to battery contents. Potential for exposure should not exist unless the battery leaks, is exposed to high temperatures or is mechanically, physically or electrically abused.

## 3. COMPOSITION/ INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

## 3.1 Substances / Mixtures

Ingredient	CAS Number	EC Number	Content
LEAD	7439-92-1	231-100-4	65 to 75%
SULPHURIC ACID	7664-93-9	231-639-5	~ 20%
TIN	7440-31-5	231-141-8	<0.5%
CALCIUM	7440-70-2	231-179-5	<0.1%
2-PROPENENITRILE, POLYMER WITH 1,3-BUTADIENE AND ETHENYLBENZENE	9003-56-9	618-371-8	<5%
FIBREGLASS SEPARATOR	-	-	~ 5%
POLYPROPYLENE	9003-07-0	618-352-4	<5%

# 4. FIRST AID MEASURES



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## 4.1 Description of first aid measures

Exposure to contents: If in eyes, hold eyelids apart and flush continuously with running water. Continue Eve

flushing until advised to stop by a Poisons Information Centre, a doctor, or for at least 15 minutes.

Inhalation Exposure to contents: If inhaled, remove from contaminated area. To protect rescuer, use a Type B

(Inorganic and acid gas) respirator where an inhalation risk exists. Apply artificial respiration if not breathing.

Exposure to contents: If skin or hair contact occurs, remove contaminated clothing and flush skin and hair with running water. Continue flushing with water until advised to stop by a Poisons Information Centre or a

doctor.

Ingestion For advice, contact the National Poisons Centre on 0800 764 766 (0800 POISON) or +643 479 7248 or a

doctor (at once). If swallowed, do not induce vomiting.

Eye wash facilities and safety shower should be available. First aid facilities

## 4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

The electrolyte is corrosive and may cause irritation or severe chemicals burns. Lead is a cumulative poison and has the potential to cause chronic health effects. Chronic exposure may result in blood, kidney and central nervous system/brain damage. Lead is classified as possibly carcinogenic to humans (IARC Group 2B). May cause harm to the unborn child. Possible risk of impaired fertility.

#### 4.3 Immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Treat symptomatically.

Skin

## 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

## 5.1 Extinguishing media

Use an extinguishing agent suitable for the surrounding fire.

## 5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Non flammable. Liquid component may evolve flammable hydrogen gas upon contact with metals. The potential for fire - explosion does exist through short circuit of terminals.

#### 5.3 Advice for firefighters

Treat as per requirements for surrounding fires. Evacuate area and contact emergency services. Remain upwind and notify those downwind of hazard. Wear full protective equipment including Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) when combating fire. Use waterfog to cool intact containers and nearby storage areas.

#### 5.4 Hazchem code

2R

2 Fine Water Spray.

R Wear liquid-tight chemical protective clothing and breathing apparatus. Dilute spill and run-off.

## **ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

## 6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Wear Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) as detailed in section 8 of the SDS. Contact emergency services where appropriate.

## 6.2 Environmental precautions

Prevent product from entering drains and waterways.

#### 6.3 Methods of cleaning up

Contain spillage, then cover / absorb spill with non-combustible absorbent material (vermiculite, sand, or similar), collect and place in suitable containers for disposal.

#### 6.4 Reference to other sections

See Sections 8 and 13 for exposure controls and disposal.

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

## 7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Before use carefully read the product label. Use of safe work practices are recommended to avoid eye or skin contact and inhalation. Observe good personal hygiene, including washing hands before eating. Prohibit eating, drinking and smoking in contaminated areas.

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## 7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store in a cool, dry, well ventilated area, removed from incompatible substances, heat or ignition sources and foodstuffs. Ensure containers are adequately labelled, protected from physical damage and sealed when not in use. Check regularly for leaks or spills. Large storage areas should have appropriate ventilation systems. Store in a cool (< 30°C), dry, well ventilated area, removed from incompatible substances, heat or ignition sources and foodstuffs. Ensure containers are adequately labelled, protected from physical damage and sealed when not in use. Check regularly for leaks or spills. Large storage areas should have appropriate ventilation systems. Temperature above 90°C may result in battery leakage and rupture.

#### 7.3 Specific end uses

No information provided.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

## 8.1 Control parameters

#### **Exposure standards**

Ingredient	Reference	TWA		STEL	
		ppm	mg/m³	ppm	mg/m³
Acrylonitrile	WES [NZ]	2	4.3		
Lead, inorganic dusts & fumes, as Pb	WES [NZ]		0.1		
Sulphuric acid	WES [NZ]		1		
Tin metal	WES [NZ]		2		
Tin metal, organic compounds, as Sn	WES [NZ]		0.1		0.2
Tin metal, oxide & inorganic compounds except SnH4	WES [NZ]		2		

## **Biological limits**

Ingredient	Determinant	Sampling Time	BEI
LEAD	Lead in blood	Not critical	200 μg/L
	Lead in blood (women of child bearing potential)	Not critical	10 μg/100ml
	Lead in blood (women of child bearing potential)	Not critical	10 μg/dL
	Lead in blood	Not critical	30 μg/dL

Reference: ACGIH Biological Exposure Indices

## 8.2 Exposure controls

Engineering controls Avoid inhalation. Use in well ventilated areas. Where an inhalation risk exists, mechanical extraction

ventilation is recommended.

PPE

Eye / Face Wear a faceshield and dust-proof goggles or safety glasses.

**Hands** Wear PVC or rubber gloves.

**Body** Wear rubber boots and a rubber apron.

**Respiratory** Where an inhalation risk exists, wear a Type B (Inorganic gases and vapours) respirator.







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# 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

## 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance CLEAR LIQUID (ENCASED)

Odour SLIGHT ODOUR
Flammability NON FLAMMABLE
Flash point NOT RELEVANT

Boiling point 95°C

Melting point -7°C to -70°C



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## 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Evaporation rate NOT AVAILABLE NOT AVAILABLE pН NOT AVAILABLE Vapour density Specific gravity 12 to 13

**SOLUBLE** Solubility (water) 13 to 22 mm Hg @ 25°C Vapour pressure

**NOT RELEVANT** Upper explosion limit Lower explosion limit **NOT RELEVANT NOT AVAILABLE** Partition coefficient NOT AVAILABLE Autoignition temperature **NOT AVAILABLE Decomposition temperature NOT AVAILABLE** Viscosity NOT AVAILABLE **Explosive properties** Oxidising properties NOT AVAILABLE **Odour threshold** NOT AVAILABLE

# 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

## 10.1 Reactivity

May be corrosive to metals.

#### 10.2 Chemical stability

Stable under recommended conditions of storage.

#### 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

Hazardous polymerisation is not expected to occur.

#### 10.4 Conditions to avoid

Avoid heat, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources.

#### 10.5 Incompatible materials

Incompatible with oxidising agents (e.g. hypochlorites), alkalis (e.g. sodium hydroxide), heat and ignition sources. Incompatible with reducing agents (e.g. sulphites).

## 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

May evolve toxic gases if heated to decomposition.

# 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

# 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity

Exposure to battery contents may result in severe burns of the mouth and throat, as well as a danger of perforation of the oesophagus and the stomach. Lead compounds are expected to be harmful if swallowed, in contact with skin, and/or if inhaled.

#### Information available for the ingredients:

Ingredient	Oral LD50	Dermal LD50	Inhalation LC50
LEAD	50 mg/kg to 600 mg/kg (calf)		
SULPHURIC ACID	2140 mg/kg (rat)		18 mg/m³ (guinea pig); 510 mg/m3/2hrs (rat)

Due to product encapsulation, the potential for skin contact with contents is reduced. If the container is Skin

damaged, contact may result in irritation, redness, pain, rash, dermatitis and possible burns. Effects may be

delayed.

Due to product encapsulation, the potential for eye contact with contents is reduced. If the container is Eye

damaged, direct contact may result in irritation, lacrimation and burns.

Not classified as causing skin or respiratory sensitisation. Sensitisation

Mutagenicity Not classified as a mutagen.

Carcinogenicity Due to product encapsulation, the potential for exposure to the contents is reduced. Occupational exposure

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to strong inorganic acid mists containing sulphuric acid is classified as carcinogenic to humans (IARC Group

1). Lead compounds (inorganic) are classified as probably carcinogenic to humans (IARC Group 2A).

Due to product encapsulation, the potential for exposure to the contents is reduced. Exposure to high levels



Reproductive of lead and its compounds may cause adverse effects on male and female fertility, including adverse effects

on sperm quality. Prenatal exposure to lead and its compounds is also associated with adverse effects on

neurobehavioral development in children.

STOT - single exposure

Due to product encapsulation, the potential for exposure is unlikely. If the container is damaged, inhalation may result in mucous membrane irritation of the respiratory tract, coughing and inflammation. High level

exposure may result in ulceration of the respiratory tract and lung tissue damage.

STOT - repeated exposure

Due to product encapsulation, the potential for exposure to the contents is reduced. Lead is a cumulative poison and may be absorbed into the body through ingestion or inhalation. Lead has been documented in observational human studies to produce toxicity in multiple organ systems and body function including the haematopoietic (blood) system, kidney function, reproductive function and the central nervous system.

Aspiration Not classified as causing aspiration.

# 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

## 12.1 Toxicity

Lead is potentially toxic to all aquatic organisms, with organic lead compounds tending to be more toxic than inorganic lead compounds. Lead becomes more toxic to fish as dissolved oxygen levels decrease. Toxicity to aquatic organisms increases in acidic or soft water.

#### 12.2 Persistence and degradability

Inorganic lead does not degrade.

#### 12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

Lead bioconcentrates and bioaccumulates in both aquatic and terrestrial organisms.

## 12.4 Mobility in soil

Lead is sparingly soluble and is expected to be adsorbed onto soils and sediments. Mobility is expected to be low.

## 12.5 Other adverse effects

No information provided.

## 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

# 13.1 Waste treatment methods

Waste disposal This product is recyclable. Please return to manufacturer. Contact the manufacturer/supplier for additional

information (if required).

**Legislation** Dispose of in accordance with relevant local legislation.

# 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

CLASSIFIED AS A DANGEROUS GOOD ACCORDING TO LAND TRANSPORT RULE: DANGEROUS GOODS 2005; NZS 5433:2012, UN, IMDG OR IATA



	LAND TRANSPORT (NZS 5433)	SEA TRANSPORT (IMDG / IMO)	AIR TRANSPORT (IATA / ICAO)
14.1 UN Number	2800	2800	2800
14.2 Proper Shipping Name	BATTERIES, WET, NON-SPILLABLE, electric storage	BATTERIES, WET, NON-SPILLABLE, electric storage	BATTERIES, WET, NON-SPILLABLE, electric storage
14.3 Transport hazard class	8	8	8
14.4 Packing Group	None allocated.	None allocated.	None allocated.

#### 14.5 Environmental hazards

Marine Pollutant

14.6 Special precautions for user



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Hazchem code 2R EmS F-A. S-B

Other information

These batteries have been tested and meet the non-spillable criteria listed in CFR49,173.159 (d) (3) (i) and (ii). Non-spillable batteries are excepted from CFR 49, Subchapter C requirements, provided that the following criteria are met:

1.) The batteries must be protected against short circuits and securely packaged.

2.) The batteries and their outer packaging must be plainly and durably marked "NON-SPILLABLE"

or "NONSPILLABLE BATTERY".

Super Start and Fusion batteries have been tested and meet the non-spillable criteria listed in IATA Packing Instruction 872 and Special Provision A67. These batteries are accepted from all IATA regulations provided that the battery terminals are protected against short circuits. The words "Not Restricted, as per Special Provision A67" must be included in the description on the Air Waybill.

Super Start and Fusion batteries have been tested and meet the non-spillable criteria listed in IMDG Code Special Provision 238.1 and .2; therefore, are not subject to the provisions of the IMDG Code provided that the battery terminals are protected against short circuits when packaged for transport.

# 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

#### 15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

Approval code MANUFACTURED ARTICLE

Group standard Something for which its intended use is primarily to do with its physical shape, rather than its chemical

composition.

Inventory listings AUSTRALIA: AICS (Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances)

All components are listed on AICS, or are exempt.

**NEW ZEALAND: NZIoC (New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals)** All components are listed on the NZIoC inventory, or are exempt.

## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

## **Additional information**

RESPIRATORS: In general the use of respirators should be limited and engineering controls employed to avoid exposure. If respiratory equipment must be worn ensure correct respirator selection and training is undertaken. Remember that some respirators may be extremely uncomfortable when used for long periods. The use of air powered or air supplied respirators should be considered where prolonged or repeated use is necessary.

ACIDS: When mixing acids with water (diluting), caution must be taken as heat will be generated which causes violent spattering. Always add a small volume of acid to a large volume of water, NEVER the reverse.

## PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT GUIDELINES:

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The recommendation for protective equipment contained within this report is provided as a guide only. Factors such as form of product, method of application, working environment, quantity used, product concentration and the availability of engineering controls should be considered before final selection of personal protective equipment is made.

## **HEALTH EFFECTS FROM EXPOSURE:**

It should be noted that the effects from exposure to this product will depend on several factors including: form of product; frequency and duration of use; quantity used; effectiveness of control measures; protective equipment used and method of application. Given that it is impractical to prepare a report which would encompass all possible scenarios, it is anticipated that users will assess the risks and apply control methods where appropriate.



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Abbreviations ACGIH American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

CAS # Chemical Abstract Service number - used to uniquely identify chemical compounds

CCID Chemical Classification and Information Database (HSNO)

CNS Central Nervous System

EC No. EC No - European Community Number

EMS Emergency Schedules (Emergency Procedures for Ships Carrying Dangerous

Goods)

EPA Environmental Protection Authority [New Zealand]

GHS Globally Harmonized System

HSNO Hazardous Substances and New Organisms
IARC International Agency for Research on Cancer

LC50 Lethal Concentration, 50% / Median Lethal Concentration

LD50 Lethal Dose, 50% / Median Lethal Dose

mg/m³ Milligrams per Cubic Metre
OEL Occupational Exposure Limit

pH relates to hydrogen ion concentration using a scale of 0 (high acidic) to 14 (highly

alkaline).

ppm Parts Per Million

STEL Short-Term Exposure Limit

STOT-RE Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure)
STOT-SE Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)

TLV Threshold Limit Value
TWA Time Weighted Average

## Report status

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