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## SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

### 1.1. Product identifier

Product Name **Balers Choice**

Pure substance/mixture Mixture

### 1.2. Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Application Premixture.

Uses advised against Not identified.

### 1.3. Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

#### Manufacturer

**Profitable Farming Company Ltd**

Middle Barlington

Roborough

Winkleigh

Devon

EX19 8AG

### 1.4. Emergency telephone number

(+44(0)7967 300578 / (+44(0)7974 093699 (8am - 6pm)

## SECTION 2: Hazards identification

### 2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

Classification according to Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008 [CLP]

Skin corrosion/irritation

Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)

Corrosive to metals

Category 2 - (H315)

Category 1 - (H318)

Category 3 - (H335)

Category 1 - (H290)

Classification according to Directive 67/548/EEC or 1999/45/EC

Full text of R-phrases: see section 16

#### Hazard symbols

Xi - Irritant

#### R-code(s)

Xi;R37/R38-R41

### 2.2. Label elements

Symbols/Pictograms



**Signal word**

Danger

**Hazard statements**

H318 - Causes serious eye damage

H315 - Causes skin irritation

H335 - May cause respiratory irritation

H290 - May be corrosive to metals

**Precautionary Statements**

P261 - Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray

P280 - Wear protective gloves and eye/face protection

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

P310 - Immediately call a POISON CENTRE or doctor

P302 + P352 - IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of water and soap

P390 - Absorb spillage to prevent material damage

Contains: Propionic acid 30-40%

**2.3. Other hazards**

None known.

**SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients****3.1 Substances**

Not applicable

**3.2 Mixtures**

Chemical Name	EC No	CAS No	REACH registration number	weight-%	Classification according to Directive 67/548/EEC or 1999/45/EC	Classification according to Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008 [CLP]
Ammonium propionate	241-503-7	17496-08-1	No data available	35-45	Not classified	Not classified
Propionic acid	201-176-3	79-09-4	01-2119486971-24-0002	30-40	C; R34 Xi; R37 R10	Flam. Liq. 3 (H226) Skin Corr. 1B (H314) Eye Dam. 1 (H318) STOT SE 3 (H335)
Citric acid	201-069-1	77-92-9	01-2119457026-42	1-<3	Xi;R36	Eye Irrit. 2 (H319)

*Full text of R-phrases: see section 16**Full text of H- and EUH-phrases: see section 16***Additional information**

No information available

**SECTION 4: First aid measures****4.1. Description of first aid measures**

<b>General advice</b>	Immediate medical attention is required. Emergency eyewash facilities must be located in the vicinity of where the product is handled.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Remove to fresh air. Rinse mouth with water. If irritation persists get medical advice/attention.
<b>Skin contact</b>	Immediately flush skin with water and rinse skin with soap and water for at least 5-10 minutes. Use lukewarm water if possible. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Get medical attention if redness does not disappear.
<b>Eye contact</b>	Immediate medical attention is required. Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also

under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Use lukewarm water if possible. Keep eye wide open while rinsing.

**Ingestion**

Do NOT induce vomiting. Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. If a large quantity has been ingested or you feel unwell, get medical advice/attention.

**Self-protection of the first aider**

Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing.

**4.2. Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed**

Eye contact: Causes severe irritation with flood of tears and pain and strong redness and swelling of the eye. Risk of permanent eye damage. May cause skin irritation and/or dermatitis. Inhalation of vapours in high concentration may cause irritation of respiratory system.

**4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**

Treat symptomatically.

**SECTION 5: Firefighting measures****5.1. Extinguishing media****Suitable extinguishing media**

Water spray, carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), dry chemical, alcohol-resistant foam.

**Unsuitable extinguishing media**

High volume water jet.

**5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture**

Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating and toxic gases and vapours.

**Hazardous combustion products**

Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>).

**5.3. Advice for firefighters**

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus and protective suit.

**Additional information**

Cool containers with flooding quantities of water until well after fire is out. Prevent fire extinguishing water from contaminating surface water or the ground water system.

**SECTION 6: Accidental release measures****6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

Do not touch damaged containers or spilled material unless wearing appropriate protective clothing. Ventilate affected area. Remove all sources of ignition.

**6.2. Environmental precautions**

Minimize the area spreading and cover the drains. Do not allow into any sewer, on the ground or into any body of water. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained. See Section 12 for additional ecological information.

**6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up****Methods for containment**

Small spill	Absorb with earth, sand or other non-combustible material and transfer to containers for later disposal
Large spill	Pump up the product into a spare container suitably labelled.

**Methods for cleaning up**

Clean contaminated surface thoroughly. After cleaning, flush away traces with water.

**6.4. Reference to other sections**

See Section 7,8,13 for more information.

## SECTION 7: Handling and storage

### 7.1. Precautions for safe handling

Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Use personal protection recommended in Section 8. Avoid: aerosol or mist formation.

#### General Hygiene Considerations

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Take off all contaminated clothing and wash it before re-use.

### 7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Keep/store only in original container. Keep tightly closed in a dry and cool place. Keep away from heat, sparks, flame and other sources of ignition (i.e., pilot lights, electric motors and static electricity).

### 7.3. Specific end use(s)

This information is supplied in the present Safety Data Sheet.

## SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

### 8.1. Control parameters

#### Exposure Limits

Keep personal exposure levels below Derived No Effect Level (DNEL) and national exposure limit values (if existing).

Chemical Name	European Union	United Kingdom
Propionic acid 79-09-4	TWA 10 ppm TWA 31 mg/m <sup>3</sup> STEL 20 ppm STEL 62 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA: 10 ppm TWA: 31 mg/m <sup>3</sup> STEL: 15 ppm STEL: 46 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

#### Derived No Effect Level (DNEL) - worker

Propionic acid (79-09-4)			
Type	Exposure route	DNEL	Remarks
Acute effects, local	Inhalation	62	mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Acute effects, systemic	Inhalation	62	mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Chronic effects, local	Inhalation	31	mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Chronic effects, systemic	Inhalation	31	mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Chronic effects, local	Dermal	260	µg/cm <sup>2</sup>
Chronic effects, systemic	Dermal	132	mg/kg bw/day

#### Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)

Propionic acid (79-09-4)		
Environmental compartment	Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)	Remarks
Freshwater	0.5	mg/l
Intermittent	5	mg/l
Impact on Sewage Treatment	5	mg/l
Marine water	0.05	mg/l
Freshwater sediment	1.86	mg/kg dry weight
Marine sediment	0.186	mg/kg dry weight
Soil	0.1258	mg/kg dry weight

#### Citric acid (77-92-9)

Environmental compartment	Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)	Remarks
Freshwater	0,44	mg/l
Freshwater sediment	34.6	mg/kg dry weight
Marine water	0.044	mg/l
Marine sediment	3.46	mg/kg dry weight
Impact on Sewage Treatment	1000	mg/l
Soil	33.1	mg/kg dry weight

### 8.2. Exposure controls

#### Appropriate engineering controls

Eyewash stations. Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas.

**Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment**

Eye/face protection	Tight sealing safety goggles.
Hand Protection	Wear protective gloves. Butyl rubber. Chloroprene rubber, CR. Nitrile rubber, NBR. Ensure that the breakthrough time of the glove material is not exceeded. Refer to glove supplier for information on breakthrough time for specific gloves.
Skin and body protection	Body protection must be chosen depending on activity and possible exposure, e.g. apron, protecting boots, chemical-protection suit (according to EN 14605 in case of splashes).
Respiratory protection	In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment. Suitable respiratory protection for lower concentrations or short-term exposure: Gas filter for gases/vapours of organic compounds (boiling point >65°C, e. g. Type A) Suitable respiratory protection for higher concentrations or long-term exposure: Self-contained breathing apparatus.

**Environmental exposure controls**

No information available.

**SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties****9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties****Appearance**

Colourless liquid

**Odour**

Pungent

**Odour threshold**

No information available

**Property****Values****pH**

4.5 - 5.5

**pH**

5.7 - 6.1

**Melting point/freezing point****Boiling point / boiling range****Flash point**

&gt;66 °C

**Evaporation rate****Explosive limits**

Upper explosive limits

Lower explosive limits

**Vapour pressure****Vapour density****Relative density****Water solubility****Solubility(ies)****Partition coefficient****Autoignition temperature****Decomposition temperature****Kinematic viscosity****Dynamic viscosity****Explosive properties****Oxidising properties****Density**1000-1100 kg/m<sup>3</sup>**Bulk density****Notes**

solution (5 %)

end solution

Not determined

Not determined

No information available

No information available

No information available

No information available

No information available

No information available

No information available

Soluble in water

No information available

See Section 12 for additional ecological information

No information available

Not determined

No information available

No information available

The product is not explosive. However, formation of explosive air/vapour mixtures are possible.

Not oxidizing.

@ 20 °C

No information available

**9.2. Other information**

No information available.

**SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity****10.1. Reactivity**

There exists no specific test data for this product. For further information, see the subsequent subsections of this chapter.

**10.2. Chemical stability**

Stable under normal conditions.

**10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions**

Reacts with: Strong bases, Oxidising substances.

**10.4. Conditions to avoid**

None under normal use conditions.

**10.5. Incompatible materials**

Corrosive to metal.

**10.6. Hazardous decomposition products**

Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating and toxic gases and vapours.

**SECTION 11: Toxicological information****11.1. Information on toxicological effects****Information on likely routes of exposure**

Inhalation. Dermal.

**Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics**

See Section 4 for more information.

**Numerical measures of toxicity****Acute toxicity****The following values are calculated based on chapter 3.1 of the GHS document**

ATEmix (oral) 9,209 mg/kg mg/l  
 ATEmix (inhalation-vapour) 563 mg/l

Acute oral toxicity 0 % of the mixture consists of ingredient(s) of unknown acute oral toxicity  
 Acute dermal toxicity 36 % of the mixture consists of ingredient(s) of unknown acute dermal toxicity  
 Acute inhalation toxicity - vapour 2 % of the mixture consists of ingredient(s) of unknown acute inhalation toxicity  
 (vapour)Acute inhalation toxicity –  
 dust/mist 38 % of the mixture consists of ingredient(s) of unknown acute inhalation toxicity (dust/mist)

<b>Propionic acid (79-09-4)</b>				
Method	Species	Exposure route	Effective dose	Remarks
OECD Test No. 401: Acute Oral Toxicity	Rat	Oral	3455	LD50 (lethal dose) mg/kg
OECD Test No. 403: Acute Inhalation Toxicity	Rat	Inhalation	>20	Inhalation LC50 - 4 hour - vapour - mg/L

<b>Citric acid (77-92-9)</b>				
Method	Species	Exposure route	Effective dose	Remarks
OECD Test No. 401: Acute Oral Toxicity	Mouse	Oral	5400	LD50 (lethal dose) mg/kg
OECD Test No. 402: Acute Dermal Toxicity	Rat	Dermal	>2000	LD0 mg/kg

**Skin corrosion/irritation**

Irritating to skin. Safety factor.

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Method	Species	Exposure route	Effective dose	Exposure time	Remarks
OECD Test No. 404:	Rabbit	Skin			Causes mild skin

Acute Dermal Irritation/Corrosion					irritation Category 3 Read-across from similar product
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**Propionic acid (79-09-4)**

Method	Species	Exposure route	Results
Unknown	Rabbit	Dermal	Corrosive

**Citric acid (77-92-9)**

Method	Species	Exposure route	Results
OECD Test No. 404: Acute Dermal Irritation/Corrosion	Rabbit	Dermal	Causes mild skin irritation No classification according to GHS criteria.

**Serious eye damage/eye irritation**

Risk of serious damage to eyes.

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Method	Species	Exposure route	Remarks
OECD 438	in vitro		Causes serious eye damage Read-across from similar product

**Propionic acid (79-09-4)**

Method	Species	Exposure route	Results
Unknown	Rabbit	Eye	Corrosive

**Citric acid (77-92-9)**

Method	Species	Exposure route	Results
OECD Test No. 405: Acute Eye Irritation/Corrosion	Rabbit	Eye	Non-irritant (30%)
			Causes serious eye irritation (100%)

**Respiratory or skin sensitisation**

According to the data on the components: No sensitising effects known.

**Propionic acid (79-09-4)**

Method	Species	Exposure route	Results
OECD Test No. 406: Skin Sensitisation	Guinea pig	Skin	Not a skin sensitiser

**Germ cell mutagenicity**

According to the data on the components: Not mutagenic.

**Propionic acid (79-09-4)**

Method	Species	Results
OECD Test No. 471: Bacterial Reverse Mutation Test	in vitro	Negative
OECD Test No. 476: In vitro Mammalian Cell Gene Mutation Test	in vitro	Negative
OECD Test No. 473: In vitro Mammalian Chromosome Aberration Test	in vitro	Negative
OECD Test No. 474: Mammalian Erythrocyte Micronucleus Test	in vivo	Negative

Citric acid (77-92-9)		
Method	Species	Results
OECD Test No. 471: Bacterial Reverse Mutation Test	in vitro	Negative
OECD 487	in vitro	Positive
OECD Test No. 473: In vitro Mammalian Chromosome Aberration Test	in vitro	Positive
OECD Test No. 475: Mammalian Bone Marrow	In vivo	Negative

**Carcinogenicity**

According to the data on the components. Animal studies have not shown any carcinogenic potential.

Propionic acid (79-09-4)				
Method	Species	Exposure route	Effective dose	Remarks
Unknown	Rat	Oral	4000	NOAEL ppm Animal studies have not shown any carcinogenic potential.

Citric acid (77-92-9)				
Method	Species	Exposure route	Effective dose	Remarks
OECD Test No. 451: Carcinogenicity Studies	Rat	Oral		No carcinogenic effects have been observed.

**Reproductive toxicity**

According to the data on the components: No impairment of fertility has been observed. No embryotoxic or teratogenic effects have been observed.

Propionic acid (79-09-4)				
Method	Species	Exposure route	Effective dose	Remarks
OECD Test No. 414: Pre-natal Development Toxicity Study	Rat	Oral	300	NOAEL mg/kg bw/day read-across from supporting substance (structural analogue)

Citric acid (77-92-9)				
Method	Species	Exposure route	Effective dose	Remarks
Unknown	Rat	Oral	>295	NOAEL mg/kg bw/day Teratogenicity
Unknown	Mouse	Oral	>272	NOAEL mg/kg bw/day Teratogenicity

**STOT - single exposure**

Target organ effects: Irritating to respiratory system

Propionic acid (79-09-4)				
Method	Species	Exposure route	Effective dose	Remarks
		Inhalation		Irritating to respiratory system

**STOT - repeated exposure**

Propionic acid (79-09-4)				
Method	Species	Exposure route	Effective dose	Remarks
OECD Test No. 408: Repeated Dose 90-Day Oral Toxicity Study in Rodents	Rat	Oral	6200	NOAEL Chronic effects, local ppm
OECD Test No. 408: Repeated Dose 90-Day Oral Toxicity Study in Rodents	Rat	Oral	50000	NOAEL systemic toxicity ppm
OECD Test No. 411: Sub-chronic Dermal Toxicity: 90-day Study	Mouse	Dermal	136.9	LOAEL Subchronic toxicity mg/kg bw/day



Citric acid (77-92-9)				
Method	Species	Exposure route	Effective dose	Remarks
Unknown	Rat	Oral	4000	NOAEL mg/kg bw/day

**Aspiration hazard**

No information available.

**SECTION 12: Ecological information****12.1. Toxicity**

Low toxicity to aquatic organisms.

0% of the mixture consists of component(s) of unknown hazards to the aquatic environment

Propionic acid (79-09-4)					
Method	Species	Exposure route	Effective dose	Exposure time	Remarks
DIN 38412	Leuciscus idus	Freshwater	>10000	96h	LC50 (lethal concentration) mg/l
Regulation (EC) No. 440/2008, Annex, C.2	Daphnia magna	Freshwater	>500	48h	EC50 (effective concentration) mg/l
OECD Test No. 201: Freshwater Algae and Cyanobacteria, Growth Inhibition Test	Scenedesmus subspicatus	Freshwater	>500	72h	EC50 (effective concentration) mg/l
DIN 38412	Leuciscus idus	Freshwater	>5000	96h	NOEC mg/l
Regulation (EC) No. 440/2008, Annex, C.2	Daphnia magna	Freshwater	250	48h	NOEC mg/l

Citric acid (77-92-9)					
Method	Species	Exposure route	Effective dose	Exposure time	Remarks
OECD Test No. 203: Fish, Acute Toxicity Test	Leuciscus idus	Freshwater	440-760	96h	LC50 (lethal concentration) mg/l
Unknown	Daphnia magna	Freshwater	1535	24h	EC50 (effective concentration) mg/l
Unknown	Bacteria toxicity Scenedesmus quadricauda	Freshwater	640	8d	LC50 (lethal concentration) mg/l

**12.2. Persistence and degradability**

Based on the degradability studies on the ingredients, the product is expected to be readily biodegradable.

Propionic acid (79-09-4)			
Method	Value	Exposure time	Results
Regulation (EC) No. 440/2008, Annex, C.5 (BOD)	93%	20d	Readily biodegradable
OECD Test No. 302B: Inherent Biodegradability: Zahn-Wellens/ EVPA Test	95%	10d	Readily biodegradable
Unknown	74%	30d	Readily biodegradable

Citric acid (77-92-9)			
Method	Value	Exposure time	Results
OECD Test No. 301B: Ready Biodegradability: CO2 Evolution Test (TG 301 B)	97%	28d	Readily biodegradable

**12.3. Bioaccumulative potential**

Based on the partition coefficients of the ingredients the product is not expected to bioaccumulate in organisms.

Chemical Name	Partition coefficient	Bioconcentration factor (BCF)
Propionic acid	0.33	
Citric acid	-1.72	

**12.4. Mobility in soil**

No information available.

**12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**

The components in this formulation do not meet the criteria for classification as PBT or vPvB.

**12.6. Other adverse effects**

Emissions to water lowers the pH. This may cause local damage to fish and aquatic organisms in the discharge area.

**SECTION 13: Disposal considerations****13.1. Waste treatment methods****Waste from residues/unused products**

This material and its container must be disposed of as hazardous waste.

**Contaminated packaging**

Contaminated packaging materials must be disposed of in the same manner as the product.

**Waste codes / waste designations according to EWC / AVV**

Waste from residues/unused products: 16 03 05\*.

**Other Information**

Waste codes should be assigned by the user based on the application for which the product was used.

**SECTION 14: Transport information****ADR Road transport**

14.1 UN number	UN1848
14.2 UN proper shipping name	Propionic acid
Proper Shipping Description	UN1848 Propionic acid , 8, III, (E)
14.3 Transport hazard class(es)	8
14.4 Packing Group	III
14.5 Environmental hazard	Not applicable
14.6 Special precautions for user	None
Tunnel restriction code	(E)
Limited quantity (LQ)	5 L
ADR Hazard Id (Kemmler Number)	80

**RID Rail transport**

14.1 UN number	UN1848
14.2 UN proper shipping name	Propionic acid
Proper Shipping Description	UN1848 Propionic acid , 8, III
14.3 Transport hazard class(es)	8
14.4 Packing Group	III
14.5 Environmental hazard	Not applicable
14.6 Special precautions for user	None

**IMDG Sea transport**

14.1 UN number	UN1848
14.2 UN proper shipping name	Propionic acid
Proper Shipping Description	UN1848 Propionic acid , 8, III
14.3 Transport hazard class(es)	8
14.4 Packing Group	III
14.5 Environmental hazards	Not applicable
14.6 Special precautions for user	None
EmS-No	F-A, S-B
Limited quantity (LQ)	5 L
14.7 Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code	No information available

**IATA Air transport**

<b>14.1 UN number</b>	UN1848
<b>14.2 UN proper shipping name</b>	Propionic acid
<b>14.3 Transport hazard class(es)</b>	8
<b>14.4 Packing Group</b>	III
<b>Proper Shipping Description</b>	UN1848 Propionic acid , 8, III
<b>14.5 Environmental hazard</b>	Not applicable
<b>14.6 Special precautions for user</b>	None
<b>Limited quantity (LQ)</b>	1 L
<b>ERG Code</b>	8L

**SECTION 15: Regulatory information****15.1. Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture****International Regulations**

Not applicable.

**European Union**

REGULATION (EC) No 1831/2003 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on additives for use in animal nutrition

**Germany**

Water hazard class (WGK)

Water endangering class = 1 (self classification)

**15.2. Chemical safety assessment**

Not applicable.

**SECTION 16: Other information****Key or legend to abbreviations and acronyms used in the safety data sheet****Full text of R-phrases referred to under sections 2 and 3**

R10 - Flammable  
R34 - Causes burns  
R36 - Irritating to eyes  
R37 - Irritating to respiratory system  
R41 - Risk of serious damage to eyes  
R37/38 - Irritating to respiratory system and skin

**Full text of H-Statements referred to under section 3**

H226 - Flammable liquid and vapour  
H290 - May be corrosive to metals  
H314 - Causes severe skin burns and eye damage  
H315 - Causes skin irritation  
H318 - Causes serious eye damage  
H319 - Causes serious eye irritation  
H335 - May cause respiratory irritation

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