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1-800-327-8633 (FAST MED)**

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## SECTION – 1: PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION

**Product Identifier:** VANQUISH™ HERBICIDE  
**Registration Number:** 26980 (Pest Control Products Act)  
**Chemical Class:** Substituted Benzoic Acid Herbicide

Formulation No.: A10182A

**Active Ingredient (%):** Dicamba, (38.9%) **CAS No.:** 1918-00-9  
**Chemical Name:** 3,6-Dichloro-o-anisic acid (present as the diglycolamine salt)  
**Product Use:** Water based herbicide concentrate which is to be mixed with water and sprayed for the control of brush and broadleaf weeds. Please refer to product label for further details.

## SECTION – 2 : COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

| Material                                | OSHA<br>PEL     | ACGIH<br>TLV    | Other                          | NTP/IARC/OSHA<br>Carcinogen | WHMIS†          |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| Dicamba<br>CAS No. 1918-00-9<br>(38.9%) | Not Established | Not Established | 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup><br>TWA*** | No                          | Not Established |

\*\*\* Syngenta Occupational Exposure Limit (OEL)  
† Material listed in Ingredient Disclosure List under Hazardous Products Act.

Ingredients not precisely identified are proprietary or non-hazardous. Values are not product specifications.  
Syngenta Hazard Category: C, S

## SECTION – 3: HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### Symptoms of Acute Exposure

Causes eye irritation. May cause skin and mucous membrane irritation.

### Hazardous Decomposition Products

Can decompose at high temperatures and form toxic gases.

### Physical Properties

Appearance: Clear, dark green liquid.  
Odour: Odourless.

### Unusual Fire, Explosion and Reactivity Hazards

During a fire, irritating and possibly toxic gases may be generated by thermal decomposition or combustion.

### Adverse health effects from exposure to product or ingredients of product:

Potentially irritating via ocular route.

## SECTION – 4: FIRST AID MEASURES

**IF POISONING IS SUSPECTED, immediately contact the poison information centre, doctor or nearest hospital.** Have the product container, label or Material Safety Data Sheet with you when calling Syngenta, a poison control center or doctor, or going for treatment. Tell the person contacted the complete product name, and the type and amount of exposure. Describe any symptoms and follow the advice given. Call the Syngenta Emergency Line [1-800-327-8633 (1-800-FASTMED)], for further information.

**EYE CONTACT:** Flush eyes with clean water, holding eyelids apart for a minimum of 15-20 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present, after 5 minutes, then continue rinsing eye. Call Syngenta, a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice. Obtain medical attention immediately if irritation persists.

**SKIN CONTACT:** Immediately remove contaminated clothing and wash skin, hair and fingernails thoroughly with soap and water. Flush skin with plenty of water for 15-20 minutes. Call Syngenta, a poison control centre or doctor for treatment advice.

**INHALATION:** Move victim to fresh air. If not breathing, call 911 or an ambulance, then give artificial respiration, preferably mouth-to-mouth, if possible. Call Syngenta, a poison control centre or doctor for treatment advice.

**INGESTION:** If swallowed, immediately contact Syngenta, a poison control centre, doctor or nearest hospital for treatment advice. Have person sip a glass of water if able to swallow. Do not give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Do not induce vomiting unless directed by a physician or a poison control center. If spontaneous vomiting occurs, have victim lean forward with head down to avoid breathing in of vomitus, rinse mouth and administer water.

### NOTES TO PHYSICIAN:

There is no specific antidote. Dicamba may cause severe irritation to the eyes, and irritation to the skin and mucous membranes. Symptoms of exposure to dicamba may include dizziness, muscle weakness, loss of appetite, weight loss, vomiting, decreased heart rate, shortness of breath, excitement, tenseness, depression, incontinence, cyanosis, muscle spasms, exhaustion and loss of voice. Treat symptomatically.

### MEDICAL CONDITIONS KNOWN TO BE AGGRAVATED:

Individuals with allergic history or pre-existing dermatitis should use caution when using this product.

## SECTION – 5: FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

**Flash point and method:** > 104 °C (TCC)

**Upper and lower flammable (explosive) limits in air:** Not applicable.

**Auto-ignition temperature:** Not applicable.

**Flammability:** Not flammable.

**Hazardous combustion products:** Thermal decomposition products may include hydrogen chloride, organochloride products, oxides of nitrogen, carbon monoxide.

**Conditions under which flammability could occur:** Temperatures above the flash point. Keep fire exposed containers cool by spraying with water.

**Extinguishing media:** Use foam, carbon dioxide, dry powder, halon extinguishant or water fog or mist, (avoid use of water jet). Wear full protective clothing and self-contained breathing apparatus. Evacuate nonessential personnel from the area to prevent human exposure to fire, smoke, fumes or products of combustion. Prevent use of contaminated buildings, area, and equipment until decontaminated. Water runoff can cause environmental damage. Contain run-off water with, for example, temporary earth barriers.

**Sensitivity to explosion by mechanical impact:** Not sensitive.

**Sensitivity to explosion by static discharge:** Not sensitive.

## SECTION – 6: ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

**Personal Precautions:** Make sure all personnel involved in the spill cleanup follow good industrial hygiene practices. A small spill can be handled routinely. Use adequate ventilation and wear equipment and clothing as described in Section 8 and/or the product label.

**Procedures for dealing with release or spill:** Control the spill at its source. Contain the spill to prevent from spreading or contaminating soil or from entering sewage and drainage systems or any body of water. Clean up spills immediately, observing precautions outlined in Sections 7 and 8. Pump or scoop large amounts of liquid into a disposable container. Absorb remaining liquid or smaller spills with clay, sand or vermiculite. Scoop or sweep up material and place into a disposal container. Wash area with detergent and water. Pick up wash liquid with additional absorbent and place into compatible disposal container. On soils, small amounts will naturally decompose. For large amounts, skim off the upper contaminated layer and collect for disposal. Once all material is cleaned up and placed in a disposal container, seal container and arrange for disposal. Spillages or uncontrolled discharges into watercourses must be reported to the appropriate regulatory authority.

## SECTION – 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE

**Handling practices:** KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN. Prevent eating, drinking, tobacco use, and cosmetic application in areas where there is a potential for exposure to the material. Avoid breathing vapours or spray mist. Wear full protective clothing and equipment (see Section 8). After work, rinse gloves and remove protective equipment, and wash hands thoroughly with soap and water after handling, and before eating, tobacco use, drinking, applying cosmetics or using the toilet. Wash contaminated clothing before re-use and separate from household laundry. Keep containers closed when not in use. Protect product, wash or rinse water, and contaminated materials from uncontrolled release into the environment, or from access by animals, birds or unauthorized people.

**Appropriate storage practices/requirements:** Store in original container only in a well-ventilated, cool, dry, secure area. Protect from heat, sparks and flame. Do not expose sealed containers to temperatures above 40 °C. Keep separate from other products to prevent cross contamination. Rotate stock. Clean up spilled material immediately.

**National Fire Code classification:** Not required.

## SECTION – 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

**Applicable control measures, including engineering controls:** Ensure work areas have ventilation, containment, and procedures sufficient to maintain airborne levels below the TLV. Warehouses, production area, parking lots and waste holding facilities must have adequate containment to prevent environmental contamination. Provide separate shower and eating facilities.

**THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION ARE INTENDED FOR THE MANUFACTURE, FORMULATION, PACKAGING AND USE OF THIS PRODUCT.**

**CONSULT THE PRODUCT LABEL FOR COMMERCIAL APPLICATIONS AND/OR ON-FARM APPLICATIONS.**

### **Personal protective equipment for each exposure route:**

General: Avoid breathing dust, vapours or aerosols. Avoid contact with eye, skin and clothing. Wash thoroughly after handling and before eating, drinking, applying cosmetics or handling tobacco.

INGESTION: Do not eat, drink, handle tobacco, or apply cosmetics in areas where there is a potential for exposure to this material. Always wash thoroughly after handling.

EYES: Where eye contact is likely, use chemical splash goggles. Facilities storing or utilizing this material should be equipped with an eyewash facility and a safety shower.

SKIN: Where contact is likely, wear chemical-resistant gloves (such as nitrile or butyl), coveralls, socks and chemical-resistant footwear. For overhead exposure, wear chemical-resistant headgear.

INHALATION: A respirator is not normally required when handling this substance. Use effective engineering controls to comply with occupational exposure limits. In case of emergency spills, use a NIOSH approved respirator with any N, R, P or HE filter.

Use a self-contained breathing apparatus in cases of emergency spills, when exposure levels are unknown, or under any circumstances where air-purifying respirators may not provide adequate protection.

## SECTION – 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

**Appearance:** Clear, dark green liquid.

**Formulation Type:** Water-based solution.

**Odour:** Odourless.

**pH:** 7-8.

**Vapour pressure and reference temperature:**  $1.25 \times 10^{-5}$  mmHg @ 25 °C (Dicamba technical).

**Vapour density:** Not available.

**Boiling point:** Not available.

**Melting point:** Not available.

**Freezing point:** Not available.

**Specific gravity or density:** 1.25 g/mL.

**Evaporation Rate:** Not available.

**Water/oil partition coefficient:** Not available.

**Odour threshold:** Not available.

**Viscosity:** 160 cps @ 20 °C.

**Solubility in Water:** > 250 g/L @ 25 °C (Dicamba Technical).

## SECTION – 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**Chemical stability:** Stable at room temperature.

**Conditions to avoid:** None known.

**Incompatibility with other materials:** None known.

**Hazardous decomposition products:** Can decompose at high temperatures forming toxic gases.

**Hazardous polymerization:** Will not occur.

## SECTION – 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Acute toxicity/Irritation Studies (Finished Product):

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|---------------------|---|---------------------------|
| Ingestion:          | <u>Low Acute Toxicity</u><br>Oral (LD50 Rat):       | 3,512 mg/kg body weight   |
| Dermal:             | <u>Low Acute Toxicity</u><br>Dermal (LD50 Rat):     | > 2,000 mg/kg body weight |
| Inhalation:         | <u>Low Acute Toxicity</u><br>Inhalation (LC50 Rat): | > 5.3 mg/L air - 4 hours  |
| Eye Contact:        | <u>Moderately Irritating (Rabbit)</u>               |                           |
| Skin Contact:       | <u>Non-Irritating (Rabbit)</u>                      |                           |
| Skin Sensitization: | <u>Not a Sensitizer (Guinea Pig)</u>                |                           |

### **Reproductive/Developmental Effects**

Dicamba: None Observed.

### **Chronic/Subchronic Toxicity Studies**

Dicamba: None Observed.

### **Carcinogenicity**

Dicamba: None Observed.

### Toxicity of Other Components

The acute toxicity test results reported in Section 11, above, for the finished product take into account any acute

hazards related to the “other components” in the formulation.

**Other materials that show synergistic toxic effects together with the product:** None known.

**Target Organs**

Active Ingredient

Dicamba: Eye, Skin.

Inert Ingredients

Not applicable.

**SECTION – 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

**Summary of Effects**

The active ingredient, dicamba (Dimethylamine Salt), is practically non-toxic to aquatic invertebrates and birds, and is slightly toxic to fish.

**Eco-Acute Toxicity**

Dicamba (Dimethylamine Salt):

|  |             |
|--|-------------|
| Green Algae 5-Day EC <sub>50</sub>                 | > 3.7 ppm   |
| Invertebrate (Water Flea) 48-hour EC <sub>50</sub> | < 11.37 ppm |
| Fish (Rainbow Trout) 96-hour LC <sub>50</sub>      | 135.4 ppm   |
| Bird (Mallard Duck) Oral LD <sub>50</sub>          | 216 ppm     |

**Environmental Fate**

The active ingredient dicamba acid has a low bioaccumulation potential and is not persistent in the environment. In soil and water, the half-life is < 14 days. It is highly mobile in soil, but actual movement is limited by rapid degradation.

**SECTION – 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

**Waste disposal information:** Do not reuse empty containers unless they are specifically designed to be re-filled. Empty container retains product residue. Dispose of empty containers in accordance with local regulations. Consult provincial environment ministry for advice on waste disposal. Industrial/commercial waste may be handled at licensed facilities only. Before taking the container to the collection site, triple- or pressure-rinse the empty container. Add the rinsings to the spray mixture in the tank. Make the empty, rinsed container unsuitable for further use. Waste shipments must be securely packaged and properly labelled. Only licensed carriers may be used, and proper documents must accompany the shipment.

**SECTION – 14 : TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

**Shipping information such as shipping classification:**

TRANSPORTATION OF DANGEROUS GOODS CLASSIFICATION - ROAD/RAIL

Not Regulated.

**SECTION – 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION**

**WHMIS classification for product:** Exempt

This MSDS has been prepared in accordance with WHMIS requirements, but the data are presented under 16 headings.

Pest Control Products (PCP) Act Registration No.: 26980

**SECTION – 16: OTHER INFORMATION**

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