# **Northfork GECA Window and Glass Cleaner**

# **ACCO Brands Australia Pty Ltd**

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Safety Data Sheet according to WHS and ADG requirements

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# SECTION 1 IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE / MIXTURE AND OF THE COMPANY / UNDERTAKING

#### **Product Identifier**

Product name	Northfork GECA Window and Glass Cleaner
Chemical Name	N/A
Synonyms	Not Available
Other means of identification	750ml: 638080400 5L: 638080700

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

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

Registered company name	ACCO Brands Australia Pty Ltd
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## **Emergency telephone number**

Association / Organisation	Poisons Information Line
Emergency telephone numbers	13 11 26
Other emergency telephone numbers	Not Available

# **SECTION 2 HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**

# Classification of the substance or mixture

NON-HAZARDOUS CHEMICAL. NON-DANGEROUS GOODS. According to the WHS Regulations and the ADG Code.

Poisons Schedule	Not Applicable
Classification <sup>[1]</sup>	Not Applicable

# Label elements

Hazard pictogram(s)	Not Applicable
SIGNAL WORD	NOT APPLICABLE

#### Hazard statement(s)

Not Applicable

# Precautionary statement(s) Prevention

P101	If medical advice is needed, have product container or label at hand.
P102	Keep out of reach of children.
P103	Read label before use.

# Precautionary statement(s) Response

Not Applicable

# Precautionary statement(s) Storage

Not Applicable

# Precautionary statement(s) Disposal

Not Applicable

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# **SECTION 3 COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

#### Substances

See section below for composition of Mixtures

# Mixtures

CAS No	%[weight]	Name	
64-17-5	<10	ethanol	

#### **SECTION 4 FIRST AID MEASURES**

#### Description of first aid measures

Eye Contact	If this product comes in contact with eyes:  • Wash out immediately with water.  • If irritation continues, seek medical attention.  • Removal of contact lenses after an eye injury should only be undertaken by skilled personnel.
Skin Contact	If skin or hair contact occurs:  ► Flush skin and hair with running water (and soap if available).  ► Seek medical attention in event of irritation.
Inhalation	<ul> <li>If fumes, aerosols or combustion products are inhaled remove from contaminated area.</li> <li>Other measures are usually unnecessary.</li> </ul>
Ingestion	<ul> <li>Immediately give a glass of water.</li> <li>First aid is not generally required. If in doubt, contact a Poisons Information Centre or a doctor.</li> </ul>

# Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Treat symptomatically.

# **SECTION 5 FIREFIGHTING MEASURES**

# **Extinguishing media**

- ▶ There is no restriction on the type of extinguisher which may be used.
- Use extinguishing media suitable for surrounding area.

Fire Incompatibility None known.

# Special hazards arising from the substrate or mixture

Advice for firefighters	
Fire Fighting	<ul> <li>Alert Fire Brigade and tell them location and nature of hazard.</li> <li>Wear breathing apparatus plus protective gloves in the event of a fire.</li> <li>Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water courses.</li> <li>Use fire fighting procedures suitable for surrounding area.</li> <li>DO NOT approach containers suspected to be hot.</li> <li>Cool fire exposed containers with water spray from a protected location.</li> <li>If safe to do so, remove containers from path of fire.</li> <li>Equipment should be thoroughly decontaminated after use.</li> </ul>
Fire/Explosion Hazard	<ul> <li>Non combustible.</li> <li>Not considered a significant fire risk, however containers may burn.</li> </ul>
HAZCHEM	Not Applicable

# **SECTION 6 ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

# Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

See section 8

# **Environmental precautions**

See section 12

# Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Minor Spills	<ul> <li>Clean up all spills immediately.</li> <li>Avoid breathing vapours and contact with skin and eyes.</li> <li>Control personal contact with the substance, by using protective equipment.</li> <li>Contain and absorb spill with sand, earth, inert material or vermiculite.</li> <li>Wipe up.</li> <li>Place in a suitable, labelled container for waste disposal.</li> </ul>
Major Spills	Minor hazard.  Clear area of personnel.  Alert Fire Brigade and tell them location and nature of hazard.  Control personal contact with the substance, by using protective equipment as required.  Prevent spillage from entering drains or water ways.  Contain spill with sand, earth or vermiculite.  Collect recoverable product into labelled containers for recycling.

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- ▶ Absorb remaining product with sand, earth or vermiculite and place in appropriate containers for disposal.
- Wash area and prevent runoff into drains or waterways.
- If contamination of drains or waterways occurs, advise emergency services.

Personal Protective Equipment advice is contained in Section 8 of the SDS.

#### **SECTION 7 HANDLING AND STORAGE**

#### Precautions for safe handling

Safe handling

- ► Limit all unnecessary personal contact. Wear protective clothing when risk of exposure occurs.
- Use in a well-ventilated area.
- Avoid contact with incompatible materials.
- When handling, DO NOT eat, drink or smoke
- Keep containers securely sealed when not in use.
- Avoid physical damage to containers
- Always wash hands with soap and water after handling.
- Work clothes should be laundered separately.
- Use good occupational work practice. Observe manufacturer's storage and handling recommendations contained within this SDS
- Atmosphere should be regularly checked against established exposure standards to ensure safe working conditions are maintained.

Other information

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

#### Suitable container

- ▶ Polyethylene or polypropylene container.
- Packing as recommended by manufacturer
- ► Check all containers are clearly labelled and free from leaks

Storage incompatibility

Avoid contamination of water, foodstuffs, feed or seed None known

#### **SECTION 8 EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION**

Material name

#### **Control parameters**

#### OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURE LIMITS (OEL)

#### INGREDIENT DATA

Source	Ingredient	Material name	TWA	STEL	Peak	Notes
Australia Exposure Standards	ethanol	Ethyl alcohol	1880 mg/m3 / 1000 ppm	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available

#### **EMERGENCY LIMITS**

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ingredient	Waterial name			IEEL-2	IEEL-3
ethanol	Ethyl alcohol; (Ethanol)	Not Available		Not Available	15000 ppm
Ingredient	Original IDLH		Revised IDLH		
ethanol	15,000 ppm		3,300 [LEL] ppm		

# **Exposure controls**

Engineering controls are used to remove a hazard or place a barrier between the worker and the hazard. Well-designed engineering controls can be highly effective in protecting workers and will typically be independent of worker interactions to provide this high level of protection.

The basic types of engineering controls are:

Process controls which involve changing the way a job activity or process is done to reduce the risk.

Enclosure and/or isolation of emission source which keeps a selected hazard 'physically' away from the worker and ventilation that strategically 'adds' and 'removes' air in the work environment. Ventilation can remove or dilute an air contaminant if designed properly. The design of a ventilation system must match the particular process and chemical or contaminant in use.

Employers may need to use multiple types of controls to prevent employee overexposure.

General exhaust is adequate under normal operating conditions. If risk of overexposure exists, wear SAA approved respirator. Correct fit is essential to obtain adequate protection. Provide adequate ventilation in warehouse or closed storage areas. Air contaminants generated in the workplace possess varying 'escape' velocities which, in turn, determine the 'capture velocities' of fresh circulating air required to effectively remove the contaminant.

#### Appropriate engineering controls

Type of Contaminant:	Air Speed:
solvent, vapours, degreasing etc., evaporating from tank (in still air)	0.25-0.5 m/s (50-100 f/min)
aerosols, fumes from pouring operations, intermittent container filling, low speed conveyer transfers, welding, spray drift, plating acid fumes, pickling (released at low velocity into zone of active generation)	0.5-1 m/s (100-200 f/min.)
direct spray, spray painting in shallow booths, drum filling, conveyer loading, crusher dusts, gas discharge (active generation into zone of rapid air motion)	1-2.5 m/s (200-500 f/min)
grinding, abrasive blasting, tumbling, high speed wheel generated dusts (released at high initial velocity into zone of very high rapid air motion).	2.5-10 m/s (500-2000 f/min.)

Within each range the appropriate value depends on:

Lower end of the range	Upper end of the range
1: Room air currents minimal or favourable to capture	1: Disturbing room air currents

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2: Contaminants of low toxicity or of nuisance value only	2: Contaminants of high toxicity
3: Intermittent, low production.	3: High production, heavy use
4: Large hood or large air mass in motion	4: Small hood - local control only

Simple theory shows that air velocity falls rapidly with distance away from the opening of a simple extraction pipe. Velocity generally decreases with the square of distance from the extraction point (in simple cases). Therefore the air speed at the extraction point should be adjusted, accordingly, after reference to distance from the contaminating source. The air velocity at the extraction fan, for example, should be a minimum of 1-2 m/s (200-400 f/min.) for extraction of solvents generated in a tank 2 meters distant from the extraction point. Other mechanical considerations, producing performance deficits within the extraction apparatus, make it essential that theoretical air velocities are multiplied by factors of 10 or more when extraction systems are installed or used.

#### Personal protection







# Eye and face protection

 Safety glasses with side shields Chemical goggles.

Contact lenses may pose a special hazard; soft contact lenses may absorb and concentrate irritants. A written policy document, describing the wearing of lenses or restrictions on use, should be created for each workplace or task. This should include a review of lens absorption and adsorption for the class of chemicals in use and an account of injury experience. Medical and first-aid personnel should be trained in their removal and suitable equipment should be readily available. In the event of chemical exposure, begin eye irrigation immediately and remove contact lens as soon as practicable. Lens should be removed at the first signs of eve redness or irritation - lens should be removed in a clean environment only after workers have washed hands thoroughly. ICDC NIOSH Current Intelligence Bulletin 591, [AS/NZS 1336 or national equivalent]

#### Skin protection

See Hand protection below

Wear general protective gloves, eq. light weight rubber gloves.

The selection of suitable gloves does not only depend on the material, but also on further marks of quality which vary from manufacturer to manufacturer. Where the chemical is a preparation of several substances, the resistance of the glove material can not be calculated in advance and has therefore to be checked prior to the application

The exact break through time for substances has to be obtained from the manufacturer of the protective gloves and has to be observed when making a final choice.

Personal hygiene is a key element of effective hand care. Gloves must only be worn on clean hands. After using gloves, hands should be washed and dried thoroughly. Application of a non-perfumed moisturizer is recommended.

Suitability and durability of glove type is dependent on usage. Important factors in the selection of gloves include:

- frequency and duration of contact,
- chemical resistance of glove material,
- glove thickness and
- dexterity

Select gloves tested to a relevant standard (e.g. Europe EN 374, US F739, AS/NZS 2161.1 or national equivalent).

- When prolonged or frequently repeated contact may occur, a glove with a protection class of 5 or higher (breakthrough time greater than 240 minutes according to EN 374, AS/NZS 2161.10.1 or national equivalent) is recommended.
- When only brief contact is expected, a glove with a protection class of 3 or higher (breakthrough time greater than 60 minutes according to EN 374, AS/NZS 2161.10.1 or national equivalent) is recommended.
- Some glove polymer types are less affected by movement and this should be taken into account when considering gloves for long-term use.
- Contaminated gloves should be replaced.

For general applications, gloves with a thickness typically greater than 0.35 mm, are recommended.

It should be emphasised that glove thickness is not necessarily a good predictor of glove resistance to a specific chemical, as the permeation efficiency of the glove will be dependent on the exact composition of the glove material. Therefore, glove selection should also be based on consideration of the task requirements and knowledge of breakthrough times.

Glove thickness may also vary depending on the glove manufacturer, the glove type and the glove model. Therefore, the manufacturers' technical data should always be taken into account to ensure selection of the most appropriate glove for the task.

Note: Depending on the activity being conducted, gloves of varying thickness may be required for specific tasks. For example:

- Thinner gloves (down to 0.1 mm or less) may be required where a high degree of manual dexterity is needed. However, these gloves are only likely to give short duration protection and would normally be just for single use applications, then disposed of.
- Thicker gloves (up to 3 mm or more) may be required where there is a mechanical (as well as a chemical) risk i.e. where there is abrasion or puncture potential

Gloves must only be worn on clean hands. After using gloves, hands should be washed and dried thoroughly. Application of a non-perfumed moisturiser is recommended.

## **Body protection**

Hands/feet protection

See Other protection below

#### Other protection

No special equipment needed when handling small quantities.

# OTHERWISE:

- Overalls.
- Barrier cream.
- Eyewash unit.

#### Thermal hazards

Not Available

# Recommended material(s)

# GLOVE SELECTION INDEX

Glove selection is based on a modified presentation of the:

## 'Forsberg Clothing Performance Index'.

The effect(s) of the following substance(s) are taken into account in the *computer-generated* selection:

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Material	CPI
BUTYL	A
NEOPRENE	A
NATURAL RUBBER	С
NATURAL+NEOPRENE	С
NITRILE	С

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NITRILE+PVC	С
PE/EVAL/PE	С
PVA	С
PVC	С
VITON	С

<sup>\*</sup> CPI - Chemwatch Performance Index

NOTE: As a series of factors will influence the actual performance of the glove, a final selection must be based on detailed observation. -

#### **SECTION 9 PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

# Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance	Blue liquid		
Physical state	Liquid	Relative density (Water = 1)	0.98-1.02
Odour	Not Available	Partition coefficient n-octanol / water	Not Available
Odour threshold	Not Available	Auto-ignition temperature (°C)	Not Available
pH (as supplied)	7-9	Decomposition temperature	Not Available
Melting point / freezing point (°C)	Not Available	Viscosity (cSt)	Not Available
Initial boiling point and boiling range (°C)	Not Available	Molecular weight (g/mol)	Not Available
Flash point (°C)	Not Available	Taste	Not Available
Evaporation rate	Not Available	Explosive properties	Not Available
Flammability	Not Available	Oxidising properties	Not Available
Upper Explosive Limit (%)	Not Available	Surface Tension (dyn/cm or mN/m)	Not Available
Lower Explosive Limit (%)	Not Available	Volatile Component (%vol)	Not Available
Vapour pressure (kPa)	Not Available	Gas group	Not Available
Solubility in water (g/L)	Miscible	pH as a solution (1%)	Not Available
Vapour density (Air = 1)	Not Available	VOC g/L	Not Available

# **SECTION 10 STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

Reactivity	See section 7
Chemical stability	Product is considered stable and hazardous polymerisation will not occur.
Possibility of hazardous reactions	See section 7
Conditions to avoid	See section 7
Incompatible materials	See section 7
Hazardous decomposition products	See section 5

# **SECTION 11 TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

#### Information on toxicological effects

ormation on toxicologic	,ai ellects	
Inhaled	The material is not thought to produce adverse health effects or irritation of th Nevertheless, good hygiene practice requires that exposure be kept to a minin Not normally a hazard due to non-volatile nature of product	
Ingestion	The material has <b>NOT</b> been classified by EC Directives or other classification animal or human evidence.	systems as 'harmful by ingestion'. This is because of the lack of corroborating
Skin Contact	The material is not thought to produce adverse health effects or skin irritation Nevertheless, good hygiene practice requires that exposure be kept to a minin	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
Eye	Although the liquid is not thought to be an irritant (as classified by EC Directive by tearing or conjunctival redness (as with windburn).	es), direct contact with the eye may produce transient discomfort characterised
Chronic	Long-term exposure to the product is not thought to produce chronic effects an nevertheless exposure by all routes should be minimised as a matter of course Prolonged exposure to ethanol may cause damage to the liver and cause scar	).
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A: Best Selection

B: Satisfactory; may degrade after 4 hours continuous immersion

C: Poor to Dangerous Choice for other than short term immersion

<sup>\*</sup> Where the glove is to be used on a short term, casual or infrequent basis, factors such as 'feel' or convenience (e.g. disposability), may dictate a choice of gloves which might otherwise be unsuitable following long-term or frequent use. A qualified practitioner should be consulted.

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	Not Available	Not Available	
	TOXICITY	IRRITATIO	N
	Dermal (rabbit) LD50: 17100 mg/kg <sup>[1]</sup>	Eye (rabbit)	: 500 mg SEVERE
ethanol	Inhalation (rat) LC50: 64000 ppm/4hr <sup>[2]</sup>	Eye (rabbit)	:100mg/24hr-moderate
	Oral (rat) LD50: 7060 mg/kge <sup>[2]</sup>	Skin (rabbit)	:20 mg/24hr-moderate
		Skin (rabbit)	):400 mg (open)-mild
Legend:	Nature obtained from Europe ECHA Registered Substances - Acute toxicity 2.     extracted from RTECS - Register of Toxic Effect of chemical Substances	* Value obtained f	from manufacturer's SDS. Unless otherwise specified data
ETHANOL	The material may cause skin irritation after prolonged or repeated exposure and scaling and thickening of the skin.	may produce on	contact skin redness, swelling, the production of vesicles,
Acute Toxicity	○ Ci	arcinogenicity	0
Skin Irritation/Corrosion	○ R	eproductivity	0
Serious Eye Damage/Irritation	○ STOT - Sir	gle Exposure	0
Respiratory or Skin	STOT - Repea	ted Exposure	0
sensitisation		·	

Legend:

X − Data available but does not fill the criteria for classification
 ✓ − Data available to make classification

O - Data Not Available to make classification

# **SECTION 12 ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

#### Toxicity

GECA Window and Glass	ENDPOINT	TEST DURATION (HR)		SPECIES	VALUE		SOURCE	
Cleaner	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable		Not Appli	cable	Not Applicable	
	ENDPOINT	TEST DURATION (HR)	SPEC	ES		VALUE	SOURCE	
ethanol	LC50	96	Fish			42mg/L	4	
	EC50	48	Crusta	cea		2mg/L	4	
	EC50	96	Algae	Algae or other aquatic plants		17.921mg/L	4	
	NOEC	2016	Fish			0.000375mg/L	4	

Legend:

Extracted from 1. IUCLID Toxicity Data 2. Europe ECHA Registered Substances - Ecotoxicological Information - Aquatic Toxicity 3. EPIWIN Suite V3.12 (QSAR) - Aquatic Toxicity Data (Estimated) 4. US EPA, Ecotox database - Aquatic Toxicity Data 5. ECETOC Aquatic Hazard Assessment Data 6. NITE (Japan) - Bioconcentration Data 7. METI (Japan) - Bioconcentration Data 8. Vendor Data

# Persistence and degradability

Ingredient	Persistence: Water/Soil	Persistence: Air
ethanol	LOW (Half-life = 2.17 days)	LOW (Half-life = 5.08 days)

# Bioaccumulative potential

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Ingredient	Bioaccumulation
ethanol	LOW (LogKOW = -0.31)

# Mobility in soil

Ingredient	Mobility
ethanol	HIGH (KOC = 1)

# **SECTION 13 DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

# Waste treatment methods

Legislation addressing waste disposal requirements may differ by country, state and/or territory. Each user must refer to laws operating in their area. In some areas, certain wastes must be tracked.

#### Product / Packaging disposal

A Hierarchy of Controls seems to be common - the user should investigate:

- Reduction
- ▶ Reuse

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- Recycling
- Disposal (if all else fails)

This material may be recycled if unused, or if it has not been contaminated so as to make it unsuitable for its intended use. If it has been contaminated, it may be possible to reclaim the product by filtration, distillation or some other means. Shelf life considerations should also be applied in making decisions of this type. Note that properties of a material may change in use, and recycling or reuse may not always be appropriate.

- ▶ DO NOT allow wash water from cleaning or process equipment to enter drains.
- ▶ It may be necessary to collect all wash water for treatment before disposal.
- ▶ In all cases disposal to sewer may be subject to local laws and regulations and these should be considered first.
- Where in doubt contact the responsible authority.
- Recycle wherever possible
- Consult manufacturer for recycling options or consult local or regional waste management authority for disposal if no suitable treatment or disposal facility
  can be identified.

Australia Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)

- ► Dispose of by: burial in a land-fill specifically licensed to accept chemical and / or pharmaceutical wastes or incineration in a licensed apparatus (after admixture with suitable combustible material).
- ▶ Decontaminate empty containers. Observe all label safeguards until containers are cleaned and destroyed.

# **SECTION 14 TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

# **Labels Required**

Marine Pollutant	NO
HAZCHEM	Not Applicable

Land transport (ADG): NOT REGULATED FOR TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS

Air transport (ICAO-IATA / DGR): NOT REGULATED FOR TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS

Sea transport (IMDG-Code / GGVSee): NOT REGULATED FOR TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS

Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL and the IBC code

Not Applicable

Australia Exposure Standards

# **SECTION 15 REGULATORY INFORMATION**

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

## ETHANOL(64-17-5) IS FOUND ON THE FOLLOWING REGULATORY LISTS

Australia Hazardous Substances Information System - Consolidated Lists	
National Inventory	Status
Australia - AICS	Υ
Canada - DSL	Υ
Canada - NDSL	N (ethanol)
China - IECSC	Υ
Europe - EINEC / ELINCS / NLP	Y
Japan - ENCS	N (ethanol)
Korea - KECI	Υ
New Zealand - NZIoC	Υ
Philippines - PICCS	Υ
USA - TSCA	Υ
Legend:	Y = All ingredients are on the inventory N = Not determined or one or more ingredients are not on the inventory and are not exempt from listing(see specific ingredients in brackets)

## **SECTION 16 OTHER INFORMATION**

#### Other information

Classification of the preparation and its individual components has drawn on official and authoritative sources as well as independent review by the Chemwatch Classification committee using available literature references.

The SDS is a Hazard Communication tool and should be used to assist in the Risk Assessment. Many factors determine whether the reported Hazards are Risks in the workplace or other settings. Risks may be determined by reference to Exposures Scenarios. Scale of use, frequency of use and current or available engineering controls must be considered.

## **Definitions and abbreviations**

 ${\sf PC-TWA: Permissible \ Concentration-Time \ Weighted \ Average}$ 

PC – STEL: Permissible Concentration-Short Term Exposure Limit

IARC: International Agency for Research on Cancer

ACGIH: American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

STEL: Short Term Exposure Limit

TEEL: Temporary Emergency Exposure Limit.

IDLH: Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health Concentrations

OSF: Odour Safety Factor

NOAEL :No Observed Adverse Effect Level

LOAEL: Lowest Observed Adverse Effect Level

TLV: Threshold Limit Value LOD: Limit Of Detection

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OTV: Odour Threshold Value BCF: BioConcentration Factors BEI: Biological Exposure Index

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