

SAFETY DATA SHEET

1. Identification of the Material and Supplier

Product Name:	Scotts Organics Compost
Recommended Use:	A certified organic potting mix for use in garden beds, pots and containers in the home garden.
Company Name and Address:	Evergreen Garden Care New Zealand Limited. Truman Lane, Mount Maunganui, New Zealand.
Telephone Number:	+64 7 5752160
Emergency Telephone Numbers:	0800 CHEMCALL (0800 243 622) 24 hours 0800 POISON (0800 764 766) National Poisons Centre 111 – New Zealand Fire Service
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2. Hazards Identification

EPA Hazard Classifications: Dangerous Goods Classifications:	Based on available information, this material is not classified as hazardous according to the criteria of EPA New Zealand GHS 7. Not classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the New Zealand NZS5433: Transport of Dangerous Goods on Land.
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3. Composition / Information on Ingredients

Component	Proportion	CAS Number
Composted plant material & pumice	>90%	N/A
Minerals & fertilisers	<10%	N/A

4. First Aid Measures

For advice, contact the National Poisons Centre 0800 POISON (0800 764 766) or a doctor/physician.

Seek medical attention if you develop a high fever or respiratory symptoms, including chills, shortness of breath or cough, within two weeks of using this product.

Inhalation:	Remove to an area free from risk of further exposure. This product may contain micro-organisms which can be harmful to health and, although it occurs infrequently, some can result in serious illness, including Legionnaires' disease, especially in the elderly, smokers and those with impaired respiratory health or immunity. Seek medical attention if high fever or respiratory symptoms develop within two weeks of use.
Ingestion:	If swallowed, rinse mouth with water. Do not induce vomiting. Give a glass of water to drink and seek medical advice.
Eye Contact:	If in the eyes, wash immediately with clean fresh water for at least 15 minutes. Seek medical advice if irritation or infection occurs.
Skin Contact:	Remove contaminated clothing and wash skin with soap and water. Seek medical attention if irritation or infection occurs.
Notes to Physician:	Treat symptomatically, taking into account product risks and potential for serious illness, including Legionnaires' disease.

5. Fire Fighting Measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media:	Not combustible. If material is involved in a fire, use media applicable to the surrounding fire.
Precautions for Fire Fighters and Special Protective Clothing:	Fire fighters should wear breathing apparatus and suitable protective clothing applicable to the surrounding fire.
Hazards from Combustion Products:	Non-combustible material.

6. Accidental Release Measures

Prevent unneeded and unprotected personnel from entering the area. Sweep up spilled material, avoid creating and inhaling dust, such as by wet sweeping, and collect and store it in properly labelled, sealed containers for safe disposal. Prevent material from entering sewers, waterways, and groundwater. If contamination of sewers or waterways occurs, notify local emergency services. Refer to SDS section 7 for handling and precautionary measures and section 8 for personal protective equipment.

7. Handling and Storage

To reduce risks when using this product, please take the following safety precautions:

Handling	• Read the safety data sheet and packaging information before opening and using this product. • Always wear gloves (AS/NZS 2161 standard) when handling and wash hands immediately after use. • Work in a well-ventilated area • Avoid inhaling product dust or mist by wearing a disposable face mask or respirator securely covering the nose and mouth (AS/NZS 1715 and AS/NZS 1716 standard), especially if: ○ Handling the product in an enclosed space or in windy conditions. ○ You are elderly or have impaired respiratory health or immunity. ○ You are working with bulk quantities. • Open the bag carefully and direct the opening away from your face. • Keep the product damp to reduce airborne particles such as dust and avoid creating dust when cleaning up. • Water gardens, soil mix and potted plants gently, using a low pressure hose. • Avoid skin, mouth and eye contact (eye protection AS/NZS 1336 standard). • Avoid transferring product from hand to mouth. • After work, remove any protective clothing. Wash hands, arms and face after handling. • Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product or in the areas where they may become contaminated with this material. • Avoid raising soil near evaporative coolers.
Storage	• Store out of reach of children and animals. • Store in the closed, original container in a dry, cool, well-ventilated area out of direct sunlight. • Keep packaging closed when not in use.

8. Exposure Controls / Personal Protection

Occupational Exposure Limits:	No WES values are set by EPA or NZ Department of Labour Health and Safety for this substance at this time. Workplace exposure standards for particulates not otherwise classified: - Inhalable dust WES-TWA 10 mg/m³; - Respirable dust WES-TWA 3 mg/m³.
Engineering Controls:	Ensure ventilation is adequate to maintain low air concentrations of dust, vapour, bioaerosols and mists. Keep packaging closed when not in use.
Respiratory Protection:	Use with adequate ventilation and avoid breathing dust, vapour, aerosols or mist. If there is a risk of inhalation, wear a suitable particulate respirator meeting AS/NZS 1715 and AS/NZS 1716.
Skin Protection:	Avoid contact with skin. Wear standard light gloves as specified in AS/NZS 2161 and keep product moist when handling. Wear protective clothing.
Eye Protection:	Avoid contact with eyes. If there is a risk of exposure to dust and/or liquid mists, wear dust resistant eye protection as specified in AS/NZS 1336.

9. Physical and Chemical Properties

Appearance:	Coarse brown solid. Contains a small fraction of mineral and fertiliser additives.
Odour:	Organic.
Solubility in Water:	Insoluble in water.
Specific Gravity (kg/l @ 20°C):	0.4 – 0.8 kg/litre bulk density.
Flash Point:	Not applicable.

10. Stability and Reactivity

Chemical Stability:	Stable under normal conditions of use.
Conditions to Avoid:	Avoid contact with foodstuffs and other chemicals.
Incompatible Materials:	Incompatible with oxidising agents.

Hazardous Decomposition Products:	Oxides of carbon, oxides of phosphorus, oxides of sulphur and ammonia.
Hazardous Reactions:	None known.

11. Toxicological Information

This section lists possible adverse effects that may occur if the product is not handled as recommended.

This product is made from organic materials which may contain living micro-organisms, including bacteria, fungi and protozoa, which can be harmful to health and, although it occurs infrequently, some can result in serious illness, including *Legionnaires'* disease, especially in the elderly, smokers and those with impaired respiratory health or immunity. People working regularly with these and other landscaping products should ensure they are adequately protected against tetanus.

This product also contains mineral and fertiliser additives.

Seek medical attention if you develop a high fever or respiratory symptoms, including chills, shortness of breath or cough, within two weeks of using this product.

Eye Contact:	Dust and/or liquid mist (bioaerosols) may irritate the eye, resulting in redness and watering, or eye infection.
Skin Contact:	Contact with skin may cause irritation and in some people may lead to skin sensitisation, dermatitis or skin infection.
Ingestion:	Swallowing can result in abdominal discomfort. There is an increased risk of gastrointestinal infections.
Inhalation:	Avoid breathing dust, vapour, aerosols and/or liquid mist (bioaerosols). Inhalation may irritate, inflame or sensitise the nose, throat and lungs resulting in illnesses ranging from hay fever and asthma to pneumonia (eg. legionnaire's disease) and pneumonia like illnesses and aggravate pre-existing conditions such as asthma and bronchitis.
Toxicological Data:	No LD ₅₀ information available for the product

12. Ecological Information

Ecotoxicity: Prevent from entering sewers, waterways and/or groundwater.

13. Disposal Consideration

Disposal Methods: Dispose of this product by using it in accordance with the product label directions. Dispose of packaging in accordance with the product label directions or wrap empty packaging in paper, place in a plastic bag and dispose safely with domestic rubbish. If wastes and/or packaging cannot be disposed of according to label directions, disposal must be in accordance with local area regulatory authorities and all applicable regional, national and local laws and regulations.

14. Transport Information

This product is not classified as a Dangerous Good for transport in New Zealand; NZS 5433:2020.

15. Regulatory Information

EPA New Zealand Approval Code: Based on available information, not classified as hazardous according to the Hazardous Substances (Hazard Classification) Notice 2020.

16. Other Information

Date of Preparation of SDS:	July 2026
Abbreviations in SDS:	EPA: The Environmental Protection Authority of New Zealand. LD₅₀: Lethal Dose-50%. The dose of a chemical that will kill 50% of the test animals receiving it. WES: Workplace exposure standard set by NZ EPA or WorkSafe NZ.

DISCLAIMER: This product must be used strictly as directed. To the maximum extent permitted by law Evergreen Garden Care New Zealand Limited, its officers, employees, agents, distributors and retailers shall have no liability to any purchaser or user of this product, or any other person, for any loss, damage or injury, including personal injury, arising out of the use or storage of this product otherwise than in accordance with the directions for use and storage.

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