

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

## Big Value Compost

### Section 1: Substance Identification and Supplier

<b>Product Name</b>	Big Value Compost
<b>Other Names</b>	No other name
<b>Chemical Formula</b>	No chemical formula
<b>Recommended Use</b>	Potting mix or soil conditioner / amendment.
<b>Company Identification</b>	Daltons Limited
<b>Address</b>	266 Hinuera Road West Matamata, 3440 New Zealand
<b>Customer Centre</b>	Phone 0800 808 150 (New Zealand) Hours of operation: Monday-Friday 7:30am – 5:00pm
<b>National Poisons Information Centre</b>	Phone 0800 POISON (0800 764 766) Phone 0800 CHEMCALL (0800 243 622) 24hr Emergencies Only
<b>Emergency Telephone Number</b>	111 - Tell operator which services are required (fire, ambulance, police)

### Section 2: Hazard Identification

Based on current information, not classified as hazardous according to the criteria found in the Hazardous Substances (Minimum Degrees of Hazard) Regulations 2001.

### Section 3: Composition Information

Ingredient	Wt%	CAS No.
Composted <i>Pinus radiata</i> bark and other organic materials	>90%	N/A
Fertilisers and additives	<10%	N/A

### Section 4: First Aid Measures

<b>First Aid Measures</b>	<b>Consult the National Poisons Centre on 0800 POISON (0800 764 766) or a doctor immediately in every case of suspected poisoning.</b>
<b>Inhalation</b>	Avoid breathing dust, vapours and mists. If ill effects occur, remove patient to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. Seek medical assistance. This product may contain micro-organisms which can be harmful to human health. Although rare, inhalation of the naturally occurring Legionella bacterium may lead to serious illness such as Legionnaire's disease. Individuals at high risk are smokers, the elderly and those with compromised immunity. Serious infection is rare but can be life threatening. <b>Seek medical advice if you develop high fever, respiratory symptoms including a cough or trouble breathing, headaches, stomach pains or chills within 2 – 14 days of exposure or inhalation.</b>
<b>Ingestion</b>	If large quantities have been swallowed, rinse mouth with water and give 1-2 glasses of fluids to dilute (if conscious). Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Do NOT induce vomiting unless directed to do so by a medical professional.
<b>Skin</b>	If skin contact occurs, remove contaminated clothing and wash affected area thoroughly with soap and water. If irritation persists, seek medical advice. Wash hands thoroughly before eating.
<b>Eye</b>	Immediately flush eyes with gentle stream of water until irritation ceases or for at least 15 minutes, holding eyelids open if necessary. Remove contact lenses if present and easy to do so. Seek medical attention if eye irritation or infection occurs.
<b>Advice to Physician</b>	Treat symptomatically, considering risk factors including the potential for serious illness including Legionnaire's disease as outlined above.

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### Section 5: Fire Fighting Measures

<b>Combustion Products</b>	Not combustible.
<b>Extinguishing Media</b>	Media is not combustible. Use appropriate extinguishing media for the surrounding materials.
<b>Protective Equipment</b>	Use appropriate equipment including a breathing apparatus, goggles, and protective gloves.

### Section 6: Accidental Release Measures

<b>Spills and Disposal</b>	Avoid inhaling any dust, vapours or mists that may be present. Wear appropriate protective clothing. Contain all spills immediately and sweep up. Collect and place in sealable containers. Avoid generating dust.
<b>Protective Clothing</b>	For appropriate personal protective equipment, see section 8.
<b>Environmental</b>	Avoid unintended release of excessive amounts into waterways or sewers. If contamination of sewers or waterways occurs, advise local emergency services.

### Section 7: Handling and Storage

<b>Handling</b>	Read the packaging information and the safety data sheet prior to opening and using this product. Pay particular attention to the information surrounding safe use and handling and the risk regarding micro-organisms including Legionella. Only use this product as intended. Keep product damp and avoid generating dusts. Do not breathe dusts. Keep away from animals and supervise children when using this product. Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area. Avoid skin, mouth, and eye contact. Do not eat, drink, or smoke when using this product or in areas that may come in contact with this product. Always wear gloves and wash hands immediately after use and particularly before eating, drinking, or smoking.
<b>Storage</b>	Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area. Ensure containers/ packages are adequately labelled or in their original packaging, protected from physical damage and sealed when not in use. Store away from children, animals, food, and drink. Avoid unintended release into the environment.
<b>Approved Handler</b>	Not required.
<b>Tracking</b>	Not required.
<b>Record Keeping</b>	Not required.

### Section 8: Exposure Control/Personal Protection

<b>Exposure Limits</b>	No value assigned for this specific product by EPA or NZ Department of Labour Health and Safety. Workplace Exposure Standards for particulates not otherwise classified: Inhalable Time Weighted Average (TWA): 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup> Respirable dust Time Weighted Average (TWA): 3 mg/m <sup>3</sup> Total Exposure Limit (TEL): Not assigned.
<b>Engineering Controls</b>	Use only in a well-ventilated area. Avoid generation and inhalation of dust by keeping media moist. Keep packaging closed when not in use.

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### Section 8: Exposure Control/Personal Protection

#### Protective Equipment

#### Respiratory Protection

Always ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid breathing dust. If required wear a suitable mask or particulate respirator according to AS/NZS 1715/1716.

#### Skin Protection

Avoid direct contact with skin. Always wear appropriate gloves such as nitrile gloves or those specified in AS/NZS 2161 and wash hands, arms and any skin which may have come into contact with the product with soap and water immediately after use and particularly before eating, drinking, or smoking. Wash any contaminated clothing and protective equipment before storing or reusing.

#### Eye Protection

Avoid contact with eyes. If there is a risk of dust exposure wear dust resistant eye protection as specified in AS/NZS 1336 and ensure that the media is damp to reduce generation of dust.

### Section 9: Physical and Chemical Properties

Appearance	Coarse brown solid with coloured fertiliser prills.
Odour	Earthy / organic
Odour threshold	No data available.
Bulk density	400 – 800 kg/m <sup>3</sup>
pH	5.0 – 7.5
Solubility in water	Insoluble in water.
Melting/freezing point	No data available.
Boiling point	No data available.
Flash point	No data available.
Flammability	No data available.
Upper/lower flammability	No data available.
Vapour pressure	No data available.
Vapour density	No data available.
Relative density	No data available.
Partition coefficient	No data available.
Auto-ignition temperature	No data available.
Decomposition temperature	No data available.

### Section 10: Stability and Reactivity

Stability	Stable under normal conditions.
Conditions to Avoid	Avoid contact with foodstuffs, hands, eyes, and face. Avoid inhalation of dust.
Incompatible Materials	Avoid contact with other chemicals.
Hazardous Decomposition Products	None allocated.

### Section 11: Toxicological Information

***No adverse health effects should occur if the product is handled in accordance with this Safety Data Sheet and the recommendations made on the packaging.***

Ingestion	Ingestion may cause nausea, vomiting and abdominal discomfort, and increase the risk of gastrointestinal complaints.
Skin	Contact with skin may lead to skin irritation and dermatitis.
Inhalation	Inhalation of the product may irritate or aggravate pre-existing respiratory conditions such as hayfever or asthma. Inhalation may also lead to irritation or inflammation of the nose, throat, or lungs. Serious illness may also result such as Legionnaires disease. See Section 4.
Eye	Dust may cause redness or watering and lead to irritation or infection.

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### Section 12: Ecological Information

<b>Ecotoxicity</b>	Contain the media and avoid unintended release into streams and waterways.
<b>Persistence</b>	No data available.
<b>Degradability</b>	No data available.
<b>Mobility</b>	No data available.
<b>Bioaccumulation</b>	No data available.
<b>Other adverse effects</b>	No data available.

### Section 13: Disposal Information

<b>Product disposal</b>	Observe any local authority, national and regional restrictions that may apply. Dispose of the product according to these observances. Dispose of the empty packaging by placing into domestic rubbish or according to local authority instructions.
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### Section 14: Transport Information

<b>Road and Rail Transport</b>	Not classified as a Dangerous Good under NZ5433:2012 Transport of Dangerous Goods on Land.
<b>Air Transport</b>	Not classified as a Dangerous Good by the criteria of the International Air Transport Association (IATA) Dangerous Goods Regulation for transport by air: Non Dangerous Goods.
<b>Marine Transport</b>	Not Classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG) for transport by sea. Non Dangerous Goods.

### Section 15: Regulatory Information

#### **EPA New Zealand Approval Code**

Based on available information, not classified as hazardous according to criteria in the Hazardous Substances (Minimum Degrees of Hazard) Regulations 2001.

### Section 16: Other Information

This SDS supersedes all previous versions.

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#### **Reason for Issue**

To provide information and data on health and safety hazards of the product and to give guidance on how to safely handle in the workplace.

#### **Disclaimer**

The information in this Safety Data Sheet is provided in good faith and based on current knowledge, experience, and information at the date of issue. The information herein is provided only as a guideline for safe product use, handling, storage, disposal and transportation.

No warranty regarding the product properties is expressed or implied.

This information relates exclusively to the product and may not be valid when used in combination with other materials or in other processes.

This product must be used strictly as directed.

**Daltons Ltd cannot control the conditions or environment where the product is used, and each user must prior to usage assess and control the risks arising from the use of this product.**

Contact Daltons Ltd if further information is required. Contact details are on Page 1.

**ALWAYS READ THE LABEL BEFORE USING THIS PRODUCT**