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 Product Name **Meta® Slug and Snail Pellets**

Not classified as hazardous

1. Identification

GHS Product Identifier	Meta® Slug and Snail Pellets
Product Code	1083
Product Type	Molluscicide
Company Name	NUFARM AUSTRALIA LIMITED. (ABN 80 004 377 780)
Address	103-105 Pipe Road Laverton North Victoria 3026 Australia
Telephone/Fax Number	Tel: +61 3 9282-1000 Fax: +61 3 9282-1001
Emergency phone number	1800 033 498 (24hr Australia)
Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use	For the control of slugs and snails in many agricultural and horticultural situations as per the Directions for Use table on the label.
Other Information	

2. Hazard Identification

General	If medical advice is needed, have product container or label at hand.
Precautionary Statement (s)	Keep out of reach of children. Read label before use.
Other Information	Poisons Schedule S5 Not classified as hazardous under the GHS criteria.

3. Composition/information on ingredients

Chemical Characterization	Solid		
Ingredients	<u>Name</u>	<u>CAS</u>	<u>Proportion</u>
	Metaldehyde	108-62-3	15 g/kg
	Other Ingredients		Balance

4. First-aid measures

Inhalation	Over-exposure by inhalation is improbable. Check for other causes of observed symptoms and seek medical advice.
Ingestion	If swallowed do NOT induce vomiting; seek medical advice immediately and show this container or label or contact the Poisons Information Centre on 13 11 26 (Aust). Make every effort to prevent vomit from entering the lungs by careful placement of the patient.
Skin	Wash affected areas thoroughly with soap and water. Remove contaminated clothing and launder before re-use.
Eye contact	If in eyes, hold eyelids open and wash with copious amounts of water for at least 15 minutes. Seek medical advice.
First Aid Facilities	If poisoning occurs, contact a doctor or the Poisons Information Centre (Australia) on 13 11 26.
Advice to Doctor	Onset of symptoms may be delayed for several hours. Consider gastric lavage, after intubation, and administration of activated charcoal and a saline cathartic. Convulsions may be treated with intravenous (IV) diazepam.

5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable extinguishing media	Water fog, foam, carbon dioxide or dry chemical.
Hazards from Combustion Products	May emit hazardous smoke and fumes if involved in fires or exposed to extreme heat.
Special Protective Equipment for fire fighters	Breathable air apparatus should be worn when fighting a fire in which this product is involved.

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6. Accidental release measures

Spills & Disposal	Collect spilled material and waste in sealable open-top type containers for disposal. On-site disposal of concentrate is not acceptable. Recover the product by sweeping up or vacuuming without raising dust.
Clean-up Methods - Small Spillages	For appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE), refer Section 8.
Clean-up Methods - Large Spillages	Wear eye protection, gloves, boots and overalls.

7. Handling and storage

Precautions for Safe Handling	Keep away from animals, poultry, ducks and domestic pets as accidental poisoning may be fatal. Dogs and other animals find this bait attractive and it may kill them. If pets or livestock are poisoned contact a veterinary surgeon.
Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities	Store in the closed, original container in a cool, well ventilated area. Do not store for prolonged periods in direct sunlight. Keep container tightly sealed and do not store with seed, fertilisers or foodstuffs.

8. Exposure controls/personal protection

Occupational exposure limit values	No exposure standards have been set for this product or the active ingredients. Safe Work Australia has set the following exposure standard for acetaldehyde (a decomposition product of metaldehyde) : TLV (TWA) 20ppm or 36 mg/m ³ , STEL 50 ppm or 91 mg/m ³ .
Appropriate engineering controls	Handle in well ventilated areas, generally natural ventilation is adequate.
Personal Protective Equipment	It is good practice to wear suitable personal protective equipment (PPE). Recommended safety equipment is: Plastic or rubber gloves.
Hygiene Measures	After use and before eating, drinking or smoking, wash hands, arms and face thoroughly with soap and water. After each day's use, wash contaminated clothing and safety equipment.

9. Physical and chemical properties

Form	Solid
Appearance	Green pellets
Odour	Acetaldehyde odour
Solubility in Water	Not soluble.
Vapour Pressure	6600 mPa (metaldehyde, 25°C)
Partition Coefficient: n-octanol/water	Kow Log P is 0.12 (metaldehyde)
Density	0.68-0.70
Flammability	Combustible

10. Stability and reactivity

Chemical Stability	Stable under normal conditions.
Hazardous Polymerization	Hazardous polymerisation is not possible.

11. Toxicological Information

Acute Toxicity - Oral	The following data is for the active ingredient, metaldehyde. LD50 (rat) 283 mg/kg
Acute Toxicity - Dermal	LD50 (rat) >5,000 mg/kg

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Acute Toxicity - Inhalation	LC50 (rat) (4hr) >15 mg/l
Ingestion	Symptoms of mild poisoning include nausea, salivation, vomiting, diarrhoea, abdominal pain and muscle spasms. More severe poisoning may also cause rapid heart beat, respiratory depression and eventual coma.
Inhalation	May cause irritation to the respiratory tract if dusts are inhaled.
Skin	May irritate the skin.
Eye	Dusts may cause slight irritation to the eyes.
Skin Sensitisation	Product is not a skin sensitiser.
Chronic Effects	Based on available data, repeated exposures are not anticipated to cause additional significant adverse effects.
Serious eye damage/irritation	Mild eye irritant.
Skin corrosion/irritation	Mild skin irritant.
Other Information	The Australian Acceptable Daily Intake (ADI) for metaldehyde for a human is 0.005 mg/kg/day, set for the public for daily, lifetime exposure. This is based on the NOEL of 5 mg/kg/day, the level determined to show no effects during long term exposure for the most sensitive indicators and the most sensitive species. (Ref: Aust Govt Dept. of Health, Office of Chemical Safety, 'ADI List', March 2016).

12. Ecological information

Other Precautions	Keep domestic pets and poultry away from treated areas. Do not contaminate dams, waterways or sewers with this product or the containers which have held this product.
Acute Toxicity - Fish	The following is data for the active ingredient, metaldehyde. Not toxic to fish. LC50 (96 hr) for rainbow trout is 75 mg/l.
Acute Toxicity - Daphnia	EC50 (48hr) for daphnia is >90 mg/l for metaldehyde.
Acute Toxicity - Algae	LC50 (72hr) for <i>Desmodesmus subspicatus</i> is >200mg/l for metaldehyde
Acute Toxicity - Other Organisms	LD50 for quail is 170 mg/kg Not toxic to bees

13. Disposal considerations

Product Disposal	On site disposal of the concentrated product is not acceptable. Ideally, the product should be used for its intended purpose. If there is a need to dispose of the product, approach local authorities who hold periodic collections of unwanted chemicals (ChemClear®).
Container Disposal	Shake the last amount of product from the container into the application equipment. Do not use this container for any other purpose. If recycling, replace cap and return clean containers to recycler or designated collection point. If not recycling, puncture or shred and bury containers in local authority landfill. If no landfill is available, bury the containers below 500mm in a disposal pit specifically marked and set up for this purpose clear of waterways, desirable vegetation and tree roots. Empty containers and product should not be burnt.

14. Transport information

Storage and Transport	Considered non dangerous for transport by the Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail.
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15. Regulatory information

Regulatory Information	Australia: WHS regulations (2011) - Schedule 11: classification not listed.
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Packaging & Labelling CAUTION
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Other Information This product is registered with the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA). APVMA product number: 49568.

16. Other Information

Date of preparation or last revision of SDS 03/07/2017

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Revisions Highlighted The SDS was reviewed. Minor changes were made to the information and product has been rebranded.

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