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## SECTION – 1: PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION

**Product Identifier:** RIDOMIL GOLD® 480EC Formulation No.: A9408E  
**Registration Number:** 25384 (Pest Control Products Act)  
**Chemical Class:** Phenylamide Fungicide

**Active Ingredient(%):** Metalaxyl-M (47.6 %) CAS No.: 70630-17-0  
{Metalaxyl-M is the active isomer of metalaxyl.}

**Chemical Name:** Methyl *N*-(2,6-dimethylphenyl)-*N*-(methoxyacetyl)-D-alaninate

**Product Use:** RIDOMIL GOLD 480EC is an emulsifiable concentrate fungicide for control of fungal diseases in a variety of crops. It is diluted with water prior to use. For further details please refer to product label.

## SECTION – 2 : COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

| Material                               | OSHA<br>PEL     | ACGIH<br>TLV    | Other                          | NTP/IARC/OSHA<br>Carcinogen | WHMIS†          |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| Gamma-Butyrolactone<br>(CAS # 96-48-0) | Not Established | Not Established | Not Established                | IARC Group 3                | Yes             |
| Metalaxyl-M<br>(47.6%)                 | 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.

## SECTION – 3: HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### Symptoms of Acute Exposure

Harmful if swallowed Causes eye irritation.

### Hazardous Decomposition Products

Can decompose at high temperatures and form toxic gases.

### Physical Properties

Appearance: Amber liquid.

Odour: Sweet wax-like.

### **Unusual Fire, Explosion and Reactivity Hazards**

Combustible liquid. Can release vapours that form explosive mixtures at temperatures at or above the flash point. Heavy vapours can flow along surfaces to distant ignition sources and flash back.

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

### **Potential Health Effects**

**Relevant routes of exposure:** Skin, eyes, mouth, lungs.

## **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:** Immediately flush eyes with clean water, holding eyelids apart for a minimum of 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 running water for a minimum of 20 minutes. Obtain medical attention if irritation occurs.

**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 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

#### **NOTES TO PHYSICIAN:**

Contact with eyes may require specialized ophthalmologic attention. There is no specific antidote if this product is ingested. Treat symptomatically.

#### **MEDICAL CONDITIONS KNOWN TO BE AGGRAVATED:**

None known.

## **SECTION – 5: FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES**

**Flash point and method:** 87.2 °C (Setaflash CC).

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

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

**Flammability:** Combustible liquid (Class IIIA)

**Hazardous combustion products:** During a fire, irritating and possibly toxic gases may be generated by thermal decomposition or combustion including oxides of carbon and nitrogen.

**Conditions under which flammability could occur:** Can release vapours that form explosive mixtures at temperatures at or above the flash point. Heavy vapours can flow along surfaces to distant ignition sources and flash back. Keep fire exposed containers cool by spraying with water.

**Extinguishing media:** Use water fog or mist, (avoid use of water jet), foam, carbon dioxide, dry powder or halon extinguishant. 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:** No.

**Sensitivity to explosion by static discharge:** No.

## 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. Spread a suitable absorbent such as clay on the spill. 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 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:** Class IIIA Combustible Liquid

## SECTION – 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

**Applicable control measures, including engineering controls:** This product is intended for use outdoors where engineering controls are not necessary. If necessary, 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 process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to keep airborne levels below exposure limits. A NIOSH-certified combination air-purifying respirator with an N, P, R or HE class filter and an organic vapour cartridge may be used under certain circumstances where airborne concentrations are expected to exceed exposure limits (e.g. emergency spills).

## SECTION – 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

**Appearance:** Amber liquid.

**Formulation Type:** Emulsifiable concentrate

**Odour:** Sweet wax-like.

**pH:** 4 - 6 (1% aqueous solution @ 25 °C).

**Vapour pressure and reference temperature:**  $2.5 \times 10^{-5}$  mmHg @ 25 °C (Metalaxyl-M Technical).

**Vapour density:** Not available.

**Boiling point:** Not available.

**Melting point:** Not available.

**Freezing point:** < -30 °C.

**Specific gravity or density:** 1.01 g/cm<sup>3</sup> @ 20 °C.

**Evaporation Rate:** Not available.

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

**Odour threshold:** Not available.

**Viscosity:** 12 mPas @ 25 °C.

**Solubility in Water:** 26 g/L @ 25 °C (Metalaxyl-M Technical).

## SECTION – 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**Chemical stability:** Stable under normal use and storage conditions.

**Conditions to avoid:** Keep away from heat or open flames.

**Incompatibility with other materials:** Strong oxidizing materials, such as hydrogen peroxide, bromine, chromic acid, strong bases, strong acids.

**Hazardous decomposition products:** During a fire, irritating and possibly toxic gases may be generated by thermal decomposition or combustion including oxides of carbon and nitrogen.

**Hazardous polymerization:** Will not occur.

## SECTION – 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

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

|                     |   |                           |
|---------------------|---|---------------------------|
| Ingestion:          | <u>Low Acute Toxicity</u><br>Oral (LD50 Rat):       | 1,172 mg/kg body weight   |
| Dermal:             | <u>Low Acute Toxicity</u><br>Dermal (LD50 Rabbit):  | > 2,020 mg/kg body weight |
| Inhalation:         | <u>Low Acute Toxicity</u><br>Inhalation (LC50 Rat): | > 3.63 mg/L air - 4 hours |
| Eye Contact:        | <u>Moderately Irritating (Rabbit)</u>               |                           |
| Skin Contact:       | <u>Slightly Irritating (Rabbit)</u>                 |                           |
| Skin Sensitization: | <u>Not a Sensitizer (Guinea Pig)</u>                |                           |

### **Reproductive/Developmental Effects**

Metalaxyl-M Technical: None observed.

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

Metalaxyl-M Technical: Liver effects at high dose levels.

### **Carcinogenicity**

Metalaxyl-M Technical: None observed.

**Other Toxicity Information:**

None.

**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.

**Butyrolactone:**

Gamma-Butyrolactone is listed as an IARC (Group 3) carcinogen not classifiable as human carcinogen (No Data Available) with limited animal evidence. Prolonged exposure can result in pallor, nausea, anaesthetic or narcotic effects. Contact with eyes causes painful irritation, conjunctivitis, opaqueness of cornea and possible loss of sight.

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

**Target Organs**

**Active Ingredients**

Metalaxyl-M Technical: Liver.

**Inert Ingredients**

Butyrolactone: Central Nervous System and Eyes

**SECTION – 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

**Summary of Effects**

RIDOMIL GOLD 480EC is a fungicide for the systemic control of several fungal pathogens in various crops and fruits. The active ingredient, metalaxyl-M, is practically non-toxic to slightly toxic to fish, birds, aquatic invertebrates and insects (bees).

**Eco-Acute Toxicity**

Metalaxyl-M Technical:

|   |               |
|---|---------------|
| Green Algae 5-Day EC <sub>50</sub>  | 140 mg/L      |
| Bees LC <sub>50</sub> /EC <sub>50</sub> (Contact)                         | >100 µg/bee   |
| Invertebrates (Water Flea) LC <sub>50</sub> /EC <sub>50</sub>             | 28 mg/L       |
| Fish (Trout) 96-hr LC <sub>50</sub> /EC <sub>50</sub>                     | 130 mg/L      |
| Fish (Bluegill) 96-hr LC <sub>50</sub> /EC <sub>50</sub>                  | 139 mg/L      |
| Birds (5-Day Dietary - Bobwhite Quail) LC <sub>50</sub> /EC <sub>50</sub> | >5,000 mg/kg  |
| Birds (5-Day Dietary - Mallard Duck) LC <sub>50</sub> /EC <sub>50</sub>   | >10,000 mg/kg |

**Eco-Chronic Toxicity**

Metalaxyl-M Technical:

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| Invertebrates (Water Flea) 21-Day NOEC | 1.27 mg/kg |
| Fish (Trout) Early Life Stage NOEC     | 9.1 mg/kg  |

**Environmental Fate**

The active ingredient metalaxyl-M has a low bioaccumulation potential, a low to high mobility in soil (depending on soil type), and is not persistent in the environment. The main route of dissipation is by biological 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. 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

**A statement that the MSDS has been prepared to meet WHMIS requirements, except for use of the 16 headings.**  
This MSDS has been prepared in accordance with WHMIS requirements, but the data are presented under 16 headings.

Other regulations; restrictions and prohibitions

Pest Control Products (PCP) Act Registration No.: 25384

## SECTION – 16: OTHER INFORMATION

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