

Class 8 for Virucide

Under the NZ HSNO (Hazardous Substances and New Organisms) Act, many products have been re-classified. In some cases products not previously requiring DG Classification, now require inclusion.

Due to the strength of disinfection properties of Virucide it is within a DG Class 8 category. This requires the product to be labelled as such, and must also meet other specific transport requirements, including, for example, the goods to be transported with an additional accompanying transport form.

The product in use need not be treated significantly different to any chemical product, with due care and storage away from direct sunlight, in a cool, dark, secure environment. Safety Data Sheets (SDS) for Virucide, as recommended with all chemicals, should be securely stored for reference or easy staff access. No additional administrative requirements should be necessary for the typical quantities store on clinic sites.

The NZ HSNO classification system works in a way where very toxic and corrosive chemicals are “Class 8” and unfortunately some product by association is sometimes considered as dangerous, when in fact this may not be the case.

Virucide is a “Class 8” due to its concentration of antibacterial agents, and we consider it at the lower end of overall hazardous Class 8 category, when compared to many others in the same class.

Full instructions for use can be found on the label, the associated Product Information Sheet and Wall Chart.

