

What is the INVENTORY?



The inventory is a database of chemicals being manufactured or imported into Australia.

The Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals (the Inventory) is an online database with an important purpose. It contains CAS names, CAS numbers or AICIS-approved chemical names, as well as any AICIS regulatory obligations or conditions related to manufacturing and importing industrial chemicals in Australia.



There are about 40,000 chemicals on the Inventory.

Who must check the INVENTORY?

Anyone who wants to manufacture or import an industrial chemical — or a product that contains industrial chemicals — for a commercial or business purpose must be registered with us and check that each ingredient is on the Inventory before introducing it into Australia.

If you're registered with us and the chemical is listed on the Inventory — and you can comply with all regulatory obligations — then you're authorised to manufacture or import this chemical. But if the terms of listing for your chemical contain regulatory obligations, you must check each one and make sure you can comply **before** you manufacture or import the chemical into Australia.



Even if a chemical is not on the Inventory, you still have options — use our Categorisation Guide for help.



Help! I can't find the information I want

The Inventory isn't a database of 'safe' chemicals. When you search the Inventory, it will **not** display information about:

- whether a chemical is banned in Australia
- which products contain the chemical
- how to label cosmetics or other products
- safety data sheets
- consumer and safety advice
- obligations and restrictions that other regulators have placed on a chemical

You won't see safety information or product names on an Inventory listing.



What will I see on an Inventory listing?

When you search the Inventory for a chemical, you have to click on the result to see the listing page. This is an example of information you will see in a chemical's terms of listing:

CAS number:	1310-58-3
CAS name:	Potassium hydroxide
Associated names:	Caustic potash
Molecular formula:	HKO

If there are any conditions or regulatory obligations for the chemical importers or manufacturers, these will display under the chemical identity details.



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Search the Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals by CAS number or keyword at:

industrialchemicals.gov.au/search-inventory