# **Environmental Impact**

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### **Environmentally friendly fire-extinguishing technology**

**Sustainable Future Now** with condensed aerosol fire-extinguishing technology developed because of the Montreal Protocol 1994, which banned ozone-depleting substances, such as Halon1301 and other halocarbon and chlorofluorocarbon-based gases. Manufactured under ISO 14001, FirePro's EPA SNAP listed-products are CFC-free and HFC-free, with zero ODP (ozone-depletion potential) and zero GWP (global-warming potential).



**FirePro**® aerosol is non-toxic. On activation a white gas is emitted from the units – this is really particles and has an atmospheric life of approx. 20 minutes after which it will fall to earth as dust.



Ozone Depletion Potential (O.D.P.) = 0	Atmospheric Life Time (A.L.T.) = 0
Global Warming Potential (G.W.P.) = 0	Non-corrosive & Non-toxic

Analysis by a laser beam diffraction test, have shown the following gaseous and solid components:

52 % solid micro sized particles	inorganic potass into potassium o
48 % gaseous particles	mainly water va

inorganic potassium salts, mainly potassium nitrate, which is primarily converted into potassium carbonate. All particles are less than 5micons in diameter. mainly water vapor, nitrogen and minor % of carbon dioxide

On activation the FPC has a combustion reaction generating the fire extinguishing condensed aerosol.

	Compound	Chemical	CAS #	% by Weight
	Carbon Dioxide	CO2	124-398-9	13%-14%
	Nitrogen	N2	7727-37-9	21%-22%
GAS	Water Vapor	H2O	7732-18-5	10%-12%
GAS	Carbon Monoxide	CO		
	Methane	CH4		1%-2%
	Hydrogen	H2		
	Potassium Carbonate	K <sub>2</sub> CO3	584-08-7	47%-49%
PARTICLES	Potassium Nitrate	KNO3	7757-79-1	2%-3%
PARTICLES	Potassium Chloride	KCl	7447-4-7	< 1%
	Other elements			< 1 %

The residue is non-toxic and non-corrosive, it is hygroscopic in nature, so will attract and retain moisture. The chemical nature of the residues (potassium salts) is slightly alkaline PH is approx. 8.

**Residue of Particulate matter after discharge** of FirePro Aerosol Generators is approximately 30-35% of the aerosol weight of the generator. Example - 100g FirePro Generator will leave 30-35g of dust like residue distributed around the risk area. Where the risk area is ventilated during the aerosol phase the particles will be distributed by the prevailing wind conditions.



FirePro® consists of inorganic potassium salts. These will not cause any damage to human beings or animals. The concentrations of heavy metals and other trace elements are negligible. Upon activation our products pose no threat to the atmosphere when the extinguishing aerosol is produced.

Our products proudly have the Green Label, SNAP Listed (Significant New Alternative Policy) of EPA (USA) and Ozone-Friendly–NO-CFCs logos.













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**No Effect on Water Supplies eco systems and potable drinking water** where particles have been deposited on water supplies there will be no discernible effect on water bodies. The PH of 8 would have an impact but this would not normally be measurable, and the particle sizes which are less than 5 microns are so small that any concentration outside of a contained area where the discharge occurred



would be extremely unlikely. Without such concentration the quality of eco water and potable drinking water will be unaffected.





**Extract from SDS - Known health impact associated with direct exposure to the discharged aerosol.** FirePro® aerosol-forming compound is not based on halogen compounds that react with the fire. It does not produce any corrosive halogen acid by-products in its reaction with the fire. Potassium carbonate creates stability in neurons to help maintain equilibrium. There are no known Occupational Exposure Limits.

#### **Hazards Identification**

- © Hazards for humans related to the SBK solid compound have not been found.
- Hazards for humans related to the aerosol released by the solid compound have not been established.
- © Signs and symptoms related to the aerosol are only referred to acute exposure and/or chronic overexposures.

#### Signs and Symptoms **Eye Contact** At normal contact no injury Not a likely route of entry $\odot$ Inhalation Skin Contact At normal contact no injury $\odot$ Ingestion At normal contact no injury Chronic Overexposure At normal contact no injury Medical Conditions Generally Aggravated by Exposure None known **Exposure Controls and Personal Protection Respiratory Protection** At normal contact not needed **Hand Protection** At normal contact not needed **Eve Protection** At normal contact not needed Skin and Body Protection At normal contact not needed











