

Poison Notice

for

Sodium Lauryl Sulphate (SLS) and its derivatives (eg SLES)

The Australian Department of Health, Therapeutic Drug Administration (TGA) have published a Poison Notice for SLS and its derivatives.

TGA Poison Notice

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Poison	Standard statement
Sodium lauryl sulfate leave-on or wash-off preparations above 5 per cent	E1 - If in the eyes wash out immediately with water.
Sodium lauryl sulfate other preparations above 5 per cent	E1 - If in the eyes wash out immediately with water. S1 - If skin or hair contact occurs, remove contaminated clothing and flush skin and hair with running water.

This Poison warning applies to shampoos and conditions, skin creams, mouth wash and toothpastes.

Footnote:

It is important to note that, in Australia, the Cosmetic industry denied for many decades that Sodium Lauryl Sulphate (SLS) and its derivatives (eg SLES) were toxic or irritant.