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## Official Information Act Request

Dear Graham

I refer to your request for information transferred to the Environmental Protection Authority from the Ministry of Health on 20 June 2018, for the value of exposure limits for sodium fluoroacetate (1080) under section 20a of the Hazardous Substances and New Organisms (Approvals and Enforcement) Amendment Act 2005.

Your request has been treated as a request for information under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA). The exposure limits set for 1080 (sodium fluoracetate) are displayed in the table below.

The exposure limits below are measured by the amount of the substance in micrograms (µg) that you are exposed to per day, based on your body weight (bw).

The workplace exposure limit refers to the maximum amount of substance an employee can be exposed to over an eight hour period. This is measured in milligrams per metre cubed of air.

Exposure Limit	Amount
Acceptable Daily Exposure (ADE) Food	0.02 μg sodium fluoroacetate/kg bw/day
Partial Daily Exposure (PDE) Food	0.006 μg sodium fluoroacetate/kg bw/day
PDE Drinking Water	0.010 μg sodium fluoroacetate/kg bw/day
PDE Inhalation	0.002 μg sodium fluoroacetate/kg bw/day
PDE Dermal	0.002 μg sodium fluoroacetate/kg bw/day
Tolerable Exposure Limit (TEL)	3.5 μg sodium fluoroacetate/litre water
Workplace Exposure Limit	Sodium fluoroacetate 0.05 mg/m3

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at <a href="https://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz">www.ombudsman.parliament.nz</a> or freephone 0800 802 602.

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact us via <a href="ministerials@epa.govt.nz">ministerials@epa.govt.nz</a>.

Yours sincerely

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**Hazardous Substances and New Organisms**