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Sunscreening agents permitted as active ingredients in listed products

Table amended 22 November 2004

Australian Approved Name (AAN)	EC & USA/FDA name	Synonyms/ abbreviations/ trade names	Maximum concentration
Aminobenzoic acid	4-Aminobenzoic acid		
Isoamyl methoxycinnamate	Isopentenyl-4-methoxycinnamate (Isoamyl 4-methoxycinnamate)		
Benzophenone		Phenylketone	
Benzophenone-2	Benzophenone-2	Bis(2,4-Dihydroxyphenyl) Methanone	
Butyl methoxydibenzoylmethane	1-(4 tert butylphenyl)-3-(4-methoxyphenyl)propane-1,3-dione	Avobenzone, BMDM, 4-tert-butyl-4-methoxydibenzoylmethane	
Cinoxate	Cinoxate		
Dioxybenzone	Dioxybenzone	Benzophenone 8	
	Ethoxylated ethyl 4-aminobenzoic acid	PEG25 PABA	
Padimate O	2-Ethylhexyl 4-dimethylaminobenzoate	Octyl dimethyl PABA	
Octyl methoxycinnamate	Octyl methoxycinnamate	Ethylhexyl Methoxycinnamate	
Octyl salicylate	2-Ethylhexyl Salicylate		
Homosalate	Homosalate	Homomethyl salicylate	
Isopropylbenzyl salicylate	4-Isopropylbenzyl Salicylate		
Menthyl anthranilate	Menthyl Anthranilate	Methyl 2-aminobenzoate	
4 Methylbenzylidene camphor	3-(4-Methylbenzylidene)-d-1 camphor		
Octocrylene	2-cyano-3,3-diphenyl acrylic acid, 2-ethyl hexyl ester	2-Ethylhexyl-2-cyano-3,3 diphenylacrylate	
Octyl triazone	2,4,6-Triazolo-(p-Carbo-2'-ethylhexyl-1'oxy)1,3,5-Triazine		
	alpha-(2-Oxoborn-3-ylidene)toluene-4-sulphonic acid and its salts*		
Oxybenzone	Oxybenzone	Benzophenone 3	

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Phenylbenzimidazole sulfonic acid	2-Phenylbenzimidazole-5-sulfonic acid and its potassium, sodium and triethanolamine salts		
	N,N,N-Trimethyl-4-(oxoborn-3-ylidenemethyl)anilinium methyl sulfate		
	Salicylic acid salts (potassium, sodium and triethanolamine)		
Benzophenone 4	Sulisobenzone	benzophenone 4	
	Sulisobenzone sodium	benzophenone 5	
Ecamsule	Terephthalylidene dicamphor sulfonic acid		
Titanium dioxide	Titanium dioxide		
Triethanolamine salicylate	Trolamine salicylate		
Zinc oxide	Zinc oxide		
Bemotrizinol	Bemotrizinol	Tinosorb S	10%
Methylene Bis-Benzotriazolyl Tetramethylbutylphenol	2,2'-Methylene-bis-6-(2H-benzotriazol-2-yl)-4-(tetramethylbutyl)-1,1,3,3-phenol	Tinosorb M	10%

1. Maximum concentration for zinc oxide amended 12 December 2003
2. 'Benzophenone-4' deleted from column 1 and 'Sulisobenzone' moved from column 2 to column 1, 25 June 2004
3. Table updated 22 November 2004

Shading indicates that the sunscreen agent is currently under review - new products containing any of these ingredients will not be listed until the review has been completed

Note: Sponsors wanting to market a product containing an active ingredient not on this list must submit data to establish the safety of the ingredient under its proposed conditions of use (See [New active ingredients in sunscreens](#)).

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