

2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

CLASSIFIED AS HAZARDOUS ACCORDING TO AUSTRALIAN WHS REGULATIONS, especially when the product is further processed, abraded or crushed. Dust created from this kind of processing will contain crystalline silica, which may be respirable (*particles small enough to go into the deep parts of the lungs when breathed in*). Recommendations on exposure controls and personal protection (*see Section 8.0*) should be followed.

GHS classification(s) Specific Target Organ Systemic Toxicity (Repeated Exposure): Category 2

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2.2 Label elements		
Signal word	WARNING Pictogram(s)	Hazard statement(s)
H373		hrough prolonged or repeated exposure.
Prevention stateme	nt(s)	
P260	Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/	mist/vapours/spray.
Response statement	(s)	
P314	Get medical advice/attention if	you feel unwell.
Storage statement(s) None allocated.	
Disposal statement(s	;)	
P501	Dispose of contents/container	in accordance with relevant regulations.
2.3 Other hazards	No information provided.	

3. COMPOSITION/ INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

3.1 Substances / Mixtures

Ingredient	CAS Number	EC Number	Content
QUARTZ (CRYSTALLINE SILICA)	14808-60-7	238-878-4	>60%

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

4.1 Description of first aid measures

Eye:	If in eyes, hold eyelids apart and flush continuously with running water. Continue flushing until advised to stop by a Poisons Information Centre, a doctor, or for at least 15 minutes.				
Inhalation:	If inhaled, remove from contaminated area. Apply artificial respiration if not breathing.				
Skin:		,	ated clothing and flush skin and op by a Poisons Information Cen		0
Ingestion:	For advice, contact a Poison Information Centre on 13 11 26 (Australia Wide) or a doctor (at once). Due to product form and application, ingestion is considered unlikely.				
First aid facilities:	Eye wash facilities an	d safety shower should be	available.		
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4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Chronic exposure to crystalline silica may result in lung fibrosis (silicosis). Principal symptoms of silicosis are coughing and breathlessness. Crystalline silica is classified as carcinogenic to humans (IARC Group 1).

<u>4.3 Immediate medical attention and special treatment needed</u> Treat symptomatically.

5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

5.1 Extinguishing media: Use an extinguishing agent suitable for the surrounding fire.

- 5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture: Non flammable. May evolve toxic gases if strongly heated.
- **5.3 Advice for firefighters:** No fire or explosion hazard exists.

5.4 Hazchem code None allocated.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures :

Wear Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) as detailed in section 8 of the SDS.

6.2 Environmental precautions

Prevent product from entering drains and waterways.

6.3 Methods of cleaning up

Contain spillage, then collect and place in suitable containers for disposal. Avoid generating dust. If spillage is to be swept or shovelled into containers, it should be wetted down with water to reduce dust generation.

6.4 Reference to other sections

See Sections 8 and 13 for exposure controls and disposal.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Use of safe work practices are recommended to avoid eye or skin contact and inhalation.

7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store in a cool, dry, well ventilated area, removed from incompatible substances and foodstuffs.

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7.3 Specific end use(s)

No information provided.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

8.1 Control parameters

Exposure standards

		TWA		STEL	
Ingredient	Reference	ppm	mg/m³	ppm	mg/m³
Quartz (respirable dust)	SWA (AUS)		0.05		

Biological limits

No biological limit values have been entered for this product.

8.2 Exposure controls

Engineering controls: Avoid inhalation. Use in well ventilated areas. Where an inhalation risk exists, mechanical extraction ventilation is recommended. Wet where possible. Maintain dust levels below the recommended exposure standard.

8.3 PPE:

- **Eye / Face:** Wear dust-proof goggles.
- Hands: Wear PVC or rubber or cotton gloves.
- **Body:** When using large quantities or where heavy contamination is likely, wear coveralls.
- Respiratory: Where an inhalation risk exists, wear a Class P1 (Particulate) respirator or a Class P2 (Particulate) respirator



9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance:	GRANULAR SOLID
Odour:	ODOURLESS
Flammability:	NON FLAMMABLE
Flash point:	NOT RELEVANT

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Boiling point:	
Melting point:	> 1200°C
Evaporation rate:	NOT AVAILABLE NOT AVAILABLE
pH: Vapour density:	NOT AVAILABLE
Specific gravity:	NOT AVAILABLE
Solubility (water):	< 2 g/L
Vapour pressure:	NOT AVAILABLE
Upper explosion limit:	NOT RELEVANT
Lower explosion limit:	NOT RELEVANT
Partition coefficient:	NOT AVAILABLE
Autoignition temperature:	NOT AVAILABLE
Decomposition temperature:	
Viscosity:	NOT AVAILABLE
Explosive properties:	NOT AVAILABLE
Oxidising properties:	NOT AVAILABLE
Odour threshold:	NOT AVAILABLE
10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY	
10.1 Reactivity:	Carefully review all information provided in sections 10.2 to 10.6.
10.2 Chemical stability:	Stable under recommended conditions of storage.
10.3 Possibility of hazardous reaction	ns : Polymerization will not occur.
10.4 Conditions to avoid:	Avoid heat, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources.
10.5 Incompatible materials:	Incompatible with strong acids (e.g. hydrofluoric acid).
10.6 Hazardous decomposition produce	Cts: May evolve silicon oxides when heated to decomposition.
11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION	
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11.1 Information on toxicological effect	
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- Skin: Contact may result in mechanical irritation, redness, rash and dermatitis.
- Eye: Contact may result in mechanical irritation, lacrimation and redness.
- Sensitisation: Not classified as causing skin or respiratory sensitisation.

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Mutagenicity: Insufficient data available to classify as a mutagen.

- Carcinogenicity:Crystalline silica is classified as carcinogenic to humans (IARC Group 1). However, there is a body of
evidence supporting the fact that increased cancer risk would be limited to people already suffering from
silicosis.
- **Reproductive** Insufficient data available to classify as a reproductive toxin.

STOT – single exposure: Not classified as causing organ damage from single exposure.

STOT -Repeated exposure to respirable silica may result in pulmonary fibrosis (silicosis). Silicosis is a fibronodularrepeated exposure:lung disease caused by deposition in the lungs of fine respirable particles of crystalline silica.Principal symptoms of silicosis are coughing and breathlessness.

Aspiration: This product is a solid and aspiration hazards are not expected to occur.

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

<u>12.1 Toxicity:</u>	Silica Sands pose no ecological risk. They are non-toxic to aquatic and terrestrial organisms and are biodegradable.
12.2 Persistence and degradabilit	y: Product is persistent and non-degradable.
12.3 Bioaccumulative potential:	This product is not expected to bioaccumulate.
12.4 Mobility in soil:	Low mobility would be expected in a landfill situation.
12.5 Other adverse effects	No information provided.
13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS	

13.1 Waste treatment methods:

Waste disposal:	Ensure product is covered with moist soil to prevent dust generation and dispose of to approved Council landfill. Contact the manufacturer/supplier for additional information (if required).
Legislation:	Dispose of in accordance with relevant local legislation.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

NOT CLASSIFIED AS A DANGEROUS GOOD BY THE CRITERIA OF THE ADG CODE, IMDG OR IATA

LAND TRANSPORT (ADG)		SEA TRANSPORT (IMDG / IMO)	AIR TRANSPORT (IATA / ICAO)
14.1 UN Number	None Allocated	None Allocated	None Allocated

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14.2 Prope Name	er Shipping	None Allocated		None Allocated	None Allocated
14.3 Trans Hazard Clas	-	None Allocated		None Allocated	None Allocated
14.4 Packi	ng Group	None Allocated		None Allocated	None Allocated

14.5 Environmental hazards: No information provided

14.6 Special precautions for user: Hazchem code - None Allocated

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

15.1 Safety, health and	<u>d environmen</u>	tal regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture			
Poison schedule:	-	A poison schedule number has not been allocated to this product using the criteria in the Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP).			
Classifications:	Safework Australia criteria is based on the Globally Harmonised System (GHS) of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals.				
		ications and phrases listed below are based on the Approved Criteria for Classifying Hazardous s [NOHSC: 1008(2004)].			
Hazard codes:	Xn	Harmful			
Risk phrases:	R48/20	Harmful: danger of serious damage to health by prolonged exposure through inhalation.			
Safety phrases:	S22 S38 S53	Do not breathe dust. In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment. Avoid exposure - obtain special instructions before use.			
Inventory listing(s):	AUSTRALIA exempt.	A: AICS (Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances) All components are listed on AICS, or are			

16. OTHER INFORMATION

Additional Information:

Personal Protective Equipment Guideline:

The recommendation for protective equipment contained within this report is provided as a guide only. Factors such as method of application, working environment, quantity used, product concentration and the availability of engineering controls should be considered before final selection of personal protective equipment is made.

Health Effects From Exposure:

It should be noted that the effects from exposure to this product will depend on several factors includin frequency and duration of use; quantity uses; effectiveness of control measures; protective equipment used and method of application. Given that it is impractical to prepare a

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report which would encompass all possible scenarios, it is anticipated that users will assess the risks and apply control methods where appropriate.

Abbreviations:

ACGIH	American Conference of	Governmental Industrial Hygienists			
CAS#	Chemical Abstract Service	e number - used to uniquely identify chemical compounds			
CNS	Central Nervous System				
EC No.	EC No - European Commu	inity Number			
EMS	Emergency Schedules (En	nergency Procedures for Ships Carrying Dangerous Goods)			
GHS	Globally Harmonized Syst	em			
GTEPG	Group Text Emergency Pr	ocedure Guide			
IARC	International Agency for I	Research on Cancer			
LC50	Lethal Concentration, 509	% / Median Lethal Concentration			
LD50	Lethal Dose, 50% / Media	n Lethal Dose			
mg/m3	Milligrams per Cubic Met	Milligrams per Cubic Metre			
OEL pH	Occupational Exposure Li	mit relates to hydrogen ion concentration using a scale of 0 (high acidic)			
	to 14 (highly alkaline).				
ppm	Parts Per Million				
STEL	Short-Term Exposure Lim	it			
STOT-RE	Specific target organ toxic	city (repeated exposure)			
STOT-SE	Specific target organ toxic	city (single exposure)			
SUSMP	Standard for the Uniform	Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons			
SWA	Safe Work Australia	-			
TLV	Safe Work Australia Threshold Limit Value				
TWA	Time Weighted Average				
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