

Safety Data Sheet

Diatomaceous Earth

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Section 1

Product Description

Product Name: Diatomaceous Earth
Recommended Use: Science education applications
Synonyms: Diatomite, Kieselguhr
Distributor: Carolina Biological Supply Company
2700 York Road, Burlington, NC 27215
1-800-227-1150
Chemical Information: 800-227-1150 (8am-5pm (ET) M-F)
Chemtrec: 800-424-9300 (Transportation Spill Response 24 hours)

Section 2

Hazard Identification

Classification of the chemical in accordance with paragraph (d) of §1910.1200;

WARNING



Causes serious eye irritation. May cause respiratory irritation. Suspected of causing cancer. May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

GHS Classification:

Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation Category 2A, Carcinogenicity Category 2, Specific Target Organ Systemic Toxicity (STOT) - Repeated Exposure Category 2, Specific Target Organ Systemic Toxicity (STOT) - Single Exposure Category 3

Other Safety Precautions:

Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray.
Wash thoroughly after handling.
Obtain special instructions before use.
Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.
Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.
Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.
IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.
IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.
Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.
Store locked up.

Section 3

Composition / Information on Ingredients

<u>Chemical Name</u>	<u>CAS #</u>	<u>%</u>
Diatomaceous Earth, Flux-calcined, 100%. This product is primarily crystalline silica in the form of: Cristobalite (CAS# 1464-46-1) up to 70%Quartz (CAS# 14808-60-7) up to 5%.	68855-54-9	100

Section 4

First Aid Measures

Emergency and First Aid Procedures

Inhalation: IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.
Eyes: IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.
Skin Contact: After contact with skin, wash immediately with plenty of water.

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Ingestion: If swallowed, rinse mouth with water (only if the person is conscious).

Section 5 Firefighting Procedures

Extinguishing Media: Use media suitable to extinguish surrounding fire.
Fire Fighting Methods and Protection: Firefighters should wear full protective equipment and NIOSH approved self-contained breathing apparatus.
Fire and/or Explosion Hazards: N/A
Hazardous Combustion Products: None Known

Section 6 Spill or Leak Procedures

Steps to Take in Case Material Is Released or Spilled: Exposure to the spilled material may be irritating or harmful. Follow personal protective equipment recommendations found in Section 8 of this SDS. Additional precautions may be necessary based on special circumstances created by the spill including; the material spilled, the quantity of the spill, the area in which the spill occurred. Also consider the expertise of employees in the area responding to the spill. Ventilate the contaminated area. Evacuate the area promptly. Avoid the generation of dusts during clean-up. Prevent the spread of any spill to minimize harm to human health and the environment if safe to do so. Wear complete and proper personal protective equipment following the recommendation of Section 8 at a minimum. Dike with suitable absorbent material like granulated clay. Gather and store in a sealed container pending a waste disposal evaluation. Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray.

Section 7 Handling and Storage

Handling: Obtain special instructions before use. Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray. Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray. Wash thoroughly after handling. Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection. Use personal protective equipment as required. Do not breathe dust/vapor. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Retained residue may make empty containers hazardous; use caution.
Storage: Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed. Store locked up. Keep container tightly closed in a cool, well-ventilated place.
Storage Code: Green - general chemical storage

Section 8 Protection Information

Chemical Name	ACGIH		OSHA PEL	
	(TWA)	(STEL)	(TWA)	(STEL)
Diatomaceous earth	N/A	N/A	80mg/m3 /%SiO2	N/A
Silicon Dioxide			0.05 mg/m3	
Quartz			0.025 mg/m3	

Control Parameters

Engineering Measures: Local exhaust ventilation, process enclosures, or other engineering controls are necessary when handling or using this product to avoid overexposure.

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE): Lab coat, apron, eye wash, safety shower.

Respiratory Protection: No respiratory protection required under normal conditions of use. Provide general room exhaust ventilation if symptoms of overexposure occur as explained Section 11. A respirator is not normally required. Wear a NIOSH approved respirator if levels above the exposure limits are possible.

Respirator Type(s): NIOSH approved air purifying respirator with dust/mist filter.

Eye Protection: Wear chemical splash goggles when handling this product. Have an eye wash station available.

Skin Protection: Avoid skin contact by wearing chemically resistant gloves, an apron and other protective equipment depending upon conditions of use. Inspect gloves for chemical break-through and replace at regular intervals. Clean protective equipment regularly. Wash hands and other exposed areas with mild soap and water before eating, drinking, and when leaving work.

Gloves: Natural latex,, Natural rubber, Neoprene, Nitrile, Polyvinyl chloride

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Physical Data

Formula: N/A	Vapor Pressure: N/A
Molecular Weight: N/A	Evaporation Rate (BuAc=1): N/A
Appearance: Solid	Vapor Density (Air=1): N/A
Odor: No data available	Specific Gravity: 2.33
Odor Threshold: No data available	Solubility in Water: Practically Insoluble
pH: No data available	Log Pow (calculated): No data available
Melting Point: No data available	Autoignition Temperature: No data available
Boiling Point: No data available	Decomposition Temperature: No data available
Flash Point: No data available	Viscosity: No data available
Flammable Limits in Air: N/A N/A	Percent Volatile by Volume: N/A

Section 10

Reactivity Data

Reactivity:	No data available
Chemical Stability:	Stable under normal conditions.
Conditions to Avoid:	None known.
Incompatible Materials:	Strong acids, Hydrogen fluoride
Hazardous Decomposition Products:	None Known
Hazardous Polymerization:	Will not occur

Section 11

Toxicity Data

Routes of Entry	Inhalation, contact with Eyes.
Symptoms (Acute):	Respiratory disorders
Delayed Effects:	No data available

Acute Toxicity:

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Oral LD50	Dermal LD50	Inhalation LC50
No data available	68855-54-9	Not determined	Not determined	Not determined

Carcinogenicity:

Chemical Name	CAS Number	IARC	NTP	OSHA
No data available	68855-54-9	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

Chronic Effects:

Mutagenicity:	No evidence of a mutagenic effect.
Teratogenicity:	No evidence of a teratogenic effect (birth defect).
Sensitization:	No evidence of a sensitization effect.
Reproductive:	No evidence of negative reproductive effects.
Target Organ Effects:	
Acute:	See Section 2
Chronic:	Listed by NTP, IARC as causing cancer.

Section 12

Ecological Data

Overview:	This material is not expected to be harmful to the ecology.
Mobility:	No data
Persistence:	No data
Bioaccumulation:	No data
Degradability:	No data
Other Adverse Effects:	No data

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Eco Toxicity
N/A	68855-54-9	

Section 13

Disposal Information

Disposal Methods:	Dispose in accordance with all applicable Federal, State and Local regulations. Always contact a permitted waste disposer (TSD) to assure compliance.
Waste Disposal Code(s):	Not Determined

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Section 14

Transport Information

Ground - DOT Proper Shipping Name:
N/A

Air - IATA Proper Shipping Name:
Not regulated for air transport by IATA.

Section 15

Regulatory Information

TSCA Status:

All components in this product are on the TSCA Inventory.

Chemical Name	CAS Number	§ 313 Name	§ 304 RQ	CERCLA RQ	§ 302 TPQ	CAA 112(2) TQ
No data available	68855-54-9	No	No	No	No	No

California Prop 65:

WARNING: This product contains a chemical known to the state of California to cause cancer.

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Additional Information

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Glossary

ACGIH	American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists	NTP	National Toxicology Program
CAS	Chemical Abstract Service Number	OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
CERCLA	Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act	PEL	Permissible Exposure Limit
DOT	U.S. Department of Transportation	ppm	Parts per million
IARC	International Agency for Research on Cancer	RCRA	Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
N/A	Not Available	SARA	Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act
		TLV	Threshold Limit Value
		TSCA	Toxic Substances Control Act
		IDLH	Immediately dangerous to life and health