# SAFETY DATA SHEET



### 1. Identification

Product identifier Synthetic Gypsum

Other means of identification

Synonyms Calcium Sulfate Dihydrate, FGD, FGD Gypsum, Flue Gas Desulfurization Gypsum

Recommended use Construction.

Recommended restrictions Workers (and your customers or users in the case of resale) should be informed of the potential

presence of respirable dust and respirable crystalline silica as well as their potential hazards. Appropriate training in the proper use and handling of this material should be provided as required

under applicable regulations. Uses other than the recommended use.

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number

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#### 2. Hazard identification

Physical hazards Not classified.

Health hazards Skin corrosion/irritation Category 2

Serious eye damage/eye irritation Category 1
Carcinogenicity (inhalation) Category 1A

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated

eated Category 2 (Lungs)

exposure

Label elements



Signal word Danger

Hazard statement Causes skin irritation. Causes serious eye damage. May cause cancer by inhalation. May cause

damage to organs (Lungs) through prolonged or repeated exposure.

**Precautionary statement** 

Prevention Obtain special instructions before use. Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read

and understood. Do not breathe dust. Wash thoroughly after handling. Wear protective

gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.

Response IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of water. IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several

minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Immediately call a POISON CENTRE/doctor. If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention. Take off

contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.

Storage Store locked up.

**Disposal** Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.

Supplemental information None.

Other hazards None known.

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## 3. Composition/information on ingredients

#### **Mixtures**

Chemical name	Common name and synonyms	CAS number	%
Calcium hydroxide		1305-62-0	1 - 5
Calcium oxide		1305-78-8	1 - 5
Quartz		14808-60-7	1 - 5

**Composition comments** All concentrations are in percent by weight. Components not listed are either non-hazardous or are below reportable limits.

4. First-aid measures

Inhalation Move to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Call a physician if symptoms develop

or persist.

Remove contaminated clothing. Wash with plenty of soap and water. If skin irritation occurs: Get Skin contact

medical advice/attention. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if Eye contact

present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Get medical attention immediately.

Ingestion Rinse mouth. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.

Most important

symptoms/effects, acute and delayed

Causes serious eye damage. Symptoms may include stinging, tearing, redness, swelling, and blurred vision. Permanent eye damage including blindness could result. Skin irritation. May cause redness and pain. Prolonged exposure may cause chronic effects.

Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Provide general supportive measures and treat symptomatically. Keep victim under observation. Symptoms may be delayed.

IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention. If you feel unwell, seek medical advice **General information** (show the label where possible). Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, and take precautions to protect themselves.

5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable extinguishing media Water fog. Foam. Dry chemical powder. Carbon dioxide (CO2).

Unsuitable extinguishing

media

Do not use water jet as an extinguisher, as this will spread the fire.

Specific hazards arising from

the chemical

Fire fighting

During fire, gases hazardous to health may be formed. Combustion products may include: Calcium

oxides. Carbon oxides. Magnesium oxides. Silicon oxides. Sulphur oxides.

Special protective equipment

and precautions for firefighters

Move containers from fire area if you can do so without risk.

equipment/instructions Specific methods

Use standard firefighting procedures and consider the hazards of other involved materials.

Self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective clothing must be worn in case of fire.

General fire hazards No unusual fire or explosion hazards noted.

6. Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Keep unnecessary personnel away. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Wear appropriate protective equipment and clothing during clean-up. Do not breathe dust. Do not touch damaged containers or spilled material unless wearing appropriate protective clothing. Ensure adequate ventilation. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained. For personal protection, see section 8 of the SDS.

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up Large Spills: Stop the flow of material, if this is without risk. Following product recovery, flush area with water.

Small Spills: Clean surface thoroughly to remove residual contamination.

Never return spills to original containers for re-use. Put material in suitable, covered, labelled

containers. For waste disposal, see section 13 of the SDS.

Avoid discharge into drains, water courses or onto the ground. **Environmental precautions** 

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## 7. Handling and storage

Precautions for safe handling

Obtain special instructions before use. Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Keep formation of airborne dusts to a minimum. Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed. Do not breathe dust. Do not get this material in contact with eyes. Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Avoid prolonged exposure. Should be handled in closed systems, if possible. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment. Wash thoroughly after handling. Observe good industrial hygiene practices.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities Store locked up. Store in tightly closed container. Store away from incompatible materials (see section 10 of the SDS).

# 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

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US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV Components	Туре	Value	Form
Calcium hydroxide (CAS 1305-62-0)	TWA	5 mg/m3	
Calcium oxide (CAS 1305-78-8)	TWA	2 mg/m3	
Quartz (CAS 14808-60-7)	TWA	0.025 mg/m3	Respirable fraction.
Canada. Alberta OELs (Occupational He	alth & Safety Code, Sc	hedule 1, Table 2), as amended	
Components	Туре	Value	Form
Calcium hydroxide (CAS 1305-62-0)	TWA	5 mg/m3	
Calcium oxide (CAS 1305-78-8)	TWA	2 mg/m3	
Quartz (CAS 14808-60-7)	TWA	0.025 mg/m3	Respirable particles
Canada. British Columbia OELs. (Occup Safety Regulation 296/97, as amended)	ational Exposure Limit	s for Chemical Substances, Oc	cupational Health and
Components	Туре	Value	Form
Calcium hydroxide (CAS 1305-62-0)	TWA	5 mg/m3	
Calcium oxide (CAS 1305-78-8)	TWA	2 mg/m3	
Quartz (CAS 14808-60-7)	TWA	0.025 mg/m3	Respirable fraction.
Canada. Manitoba OELs (Reg. 217/2006,	The Workplace Safety	And Health Act), as amended	
Components	Туре	Value	Form
Calcium hydroxide (CAS 1305-62-0)	TWA	5 mg/m3	
Calcium oxide (CAS 1305-78-8)	TWA	2 mg/m3	
Quartz (CAS 14808-60-7)	TWA	0.025 mg/m3	Respirable fraction.
Canada. New Brunswick OELs: Thresho Publication (New Brunswick Regulation		Based on the 1991 and 1997 AC	GIH TLVs and BEIs
Components	Туре	Value	Form
Calcium hydroxide (CAS 1305-62-0)	TWA	5 mg/m3	
Calcium oxide (CAS 1305-78-8)	TWA	2 mg/m3	
Quartz (CAS 14808-60-7)	TWA	0.025 mg/m3	Respirable fraction.
Canada. Ontario OELs. (Control of Expo	sure to Biological or C	hemical Agents), as amended	
Components	Туре	Value	Form
Calcium hydroxide (CAS 305-62-0)	TWA	5 mg/m3	
Calcium oxide (CAS	TWA	2 mg/m3	

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Components	Туре	Value	Form
Quartz (CAS 14808-60-7)	TWA	0.1 mg/m3	Respirable fraction.
Canada. Quebec OELs. (M	inistry of Labor - Regulation respecti	ng occupational health and sa	• .
Components	Туре	Value	Form
Calcium hydroxide (CAS 1305-62-0)	TWA	5 mg/m3	
Calcium oxide (CAS 1305-78-8)	TWA	2 mg/m3	
Quartz (CAS 14808-60-7)	TWA	0.05 mg/m3	Respirable dust.
Canada. Saskatchewan OE	Ls (Occupational Health and Safety	Regulations, 1996, Table 21), a	s amended
Components	Туре	Value	Form
Calcium hydroxide (CAS 1305-62-0)	15 minute	10 mg/m3	
	8 hour	5 mg/m3	
Calcium oxide (CAS 1305-78-8)	15 minute	4 mg/m3	
,	8 hour	2 mg/m3	
Quartz (CAS 14808-60-7)	8 hour	0.05 mg/m3	Respirable fraction.
logical limit values	No biological exposure limits noted f	or the ingredient(s).	
oosure guidelines	Occupational exposure to nuisance dust (total and respirable) and respirable crystalline silica should be monitored and controlled.		
propriate engineering atrols	Good general ventilation should be used. Ventilation rates should be matched to conditions. If applicable, use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to maintain airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If exposure limits have not been established, maintain airborne levels to an acceptable level. Provide eyewash station and safety shower.		
<del>-</del>	s, such as personal protective equipn		
Eye/face protection	Wear chemical splash goggles and f	ace shield.	
Skin protection Hand protection	Wear appropriate chemical resistant supplier.	gloves. Suitable gloves can be	recommended by the glov
Other	Wear appropriate chemical resistant clothing. Use of an impervious apron is recommended.		
Respiratory protection	If engineering controls do not mainta limits (where applicable) or to an acc		e exposure limits have not

Thermal hazards

limits (where applicable) or to an acceptable level (in countries where exposure limits have not been established), an approved respirator must be worn. Selection and use of respiratory

protective equipment should be in accordance with CSA Standard Z94.4.

Wear appropriate thermal protective clothing, when necessary.

General hygiene considerations

Observe any medical surveillance requirements. Always observe good personal hygiene measures, such as washing after handling the material and before eating, drinking, and/or smoking. Routinely wash work clothing and protective equipment to remove contaminants.

# 9. Physical and chemical properties

Physical state Solid.

Form White powder.
Colour White to off-white.

Odour Odourless.
Odour threshold Not applicable.

**Melting point/freezing point** Property has not been measured.

Boiling point or initial boiling point and boiling range

> 1000 °C (> 1832 °F)

**Flammability** The product is non-combustible.

Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits

**Explosive limit - lower (%)** Not applicable, material is a solid.

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Explosive limit - upper

(%)

Not applicable, material is a solid.

Flash point Not applicable, material is a solid.

Auto-ignition temperature Not applicable, material is a solid.

**Decomposition temperature** Property has not been measured.

**pH** 5 - 8

**Property** has not been measured. **Kinematic viscosity**Property has not been measured.

Solubility

Solubility (water) Property has not been measured.

Partition coefficient Not applicable, product is a mixture.

(n-octanol/water) (log value)

Vapour pressureProperty has not been measured.Vapour pressure temp.Property has not been measured.

Density and/or relative density

**Density** Property has not been measured.

Relative density 2.3

Relative density temperature

Property has not been measured.

Vapour density Not applicable, material is a solid.

Particle characteristics Property has not been measured.

Other information

**Evaporation rate** Not applicable, material is a solid.

**Explosive properties** Not explosive. **Oxidising properties** Not oxidising.

**Viscosity** Not applicable, material is a solid.

# 10. Stability and reactivity

**Reactivity**The product is stable and non-reactive under normal conditions of use, storage and transport.

**Chemical stability** Material is stable under normal conditions.

Possibility of hazardous

reactions

No dangerous reaction known under conditions of normal use.

**Conditions to avoid**Contact with incompatible materials.

Incompatible materials Strong acids. Strong bases. Strong oxidizers. Aluminium. Phosphorus. Crystalline silica in contact

with powerful oxidizing agents, such as fluorine, chlorine trifluoride and oxygen difluoride, may cause fires. Crystalline silica will dissolve in hydrofluoric acid and produce a corrosive gas, silicon

tetrafluoride.

**Hazardous decomposition** 

products

Calcium oxides. Carbon oxides. Magnesium oxides. Silicon oxides. Sulphur oxides.

### 11. Toxicological information

Information on likely routes of exposure

Inhalation May cause cancer by inhalation. Prolonged inhalation may be harmful.

**Skin contact** Causes skin irritation.

**Eye contact** Causes serious eye damage.

**Ingestion** May cause discomfort if swallowed.

Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics

Causes serious eye damage. Symptoms may include stinging, tearing, redness, swelling, and blurred vision. Permanent eye damage including blindness could result. Skin irritation. May cause

redness and pain. Prolonged exposure may cause chronic effects.

Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity Not expected to be acutely toxic.

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Components Species Test Results

Calcium hydroxide (CAS 1305-62-0)

Acute Oral

LD50 Rat 7340 mg/kg

Calcium oxide (CAS 1305-78-8)

Acute Oral

LD50 Rat > 2000 mg/kg No deaths occured at this

concentration.

Quartz (CAS 14808-60-7)

Chronic Inhalation

LOEC Human 0.0563 mg/m3

**Skin corrosion/irritation** Causes skin irritation.

Serious eye damage/eye

irritation

Causes serious eye damage.

Respiratory or skin sensitisation

Canada - Alberta OELs: Irritant

Calcium hydroxide (CAS 1305-62-0) Irritant Calcium oxide (CAS 1305-78-8) Irritant

Respiratory sensitisation

Not a respiratory sensitiser.

**Skin sensitisation** This product is not expected to cause skin sensitisation.

**Germ cell mutagenicity**No data available to indicate product or any components present at greater than 0.1% are

mutagenic or genotoxic.

Carcinogenicity

In 1997, IARC (the International Agency for Research on Cancer) concluded that crystalline silica inhaled from occupational sources can cause lung cancer in humans. However in making the overall evaluation, IARC noted that "carcinogenicity was not detected in all industrial circumstances studied. Carcinogenicity may be dependent on inherent characteristics of the crystalline silica or on external factors affecting its biological activity or distribution of its polymorphs." (IARC Monographs on the evaluation of the carcinogenic risks of chemicals to humans, Silica, silicates dust and organic fibres, 1997, Vol. 68, IARC, Lyon, France.) In June 2003, SCOEL (the EU Scientific Committee on Occupational Exposure Limits) concluded that the main effect in humans of the inhalation of respirable crystalline silica dust is silicosis. "There is sufficient information to conclude that the relative risk of lung cancer is increased in persons with silicosis (and, apparently, not in employees without silicosis exposed to silica dust in quarries and in the ceramic industry). Therefore, preventing the onset of silicosis will also reduce the cancer risk..." (SCOEL SUM Doc 94-final, June 2003) According to the current state of the art, worker protection against silicosis can be consistently assured by respecting the existing regulatory occupational exposure limits. May cause cancer by inhalation. Occupational exposure to respirable dust and respirable crystalline silica should be monitored and controlled.

**ACGIH Carcinogens** 

Quartz (CAS 14808-60-7)

A2 Suspected human carcinogen.

Canada - Alberta OELs: Carcinogen category

Quartz (CAS 14808-60-7) Suspected human carcinogen.

Canada - Manitoba OELs: carcinogenicity

Quartz (CAS 14808-60-7) Suspected human carcinogen.

Canada - Quebec OELs: Carcinogen category

Quartz (CAS 14808-60-7) Suspected carcinogenic effect in humans.

IARC Monographs. Overall Evaluation of Carcinogenicity

Quartz (CAS 14808-60-7) 1 Carcinogenic to humans.

**US. National Toxicology Program (NTP) Report on Carcinogens** 

Quartz (CAS 14808-60-7) Known To Be Human Carcinogen.

**Reproductive toxicity**This product is not expected to cause reproductive or developmental effects.

Specific target organ toxicity - Not classified.

single exposure

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Specific target organ toxicity -

repeated exposure

May cause damage to organs (Lungs) through prolonged or repeated exposure.

Not an aspiration hazard. **Aspiration hazard** 

**Chronic effects** 

Prolonged inhalation may be harmful. May cause damage to organs through prolonged or

repeated exposure. Prolonged exposure may cause chronic effects.

## 12. Ecological information

**Ecotoxicity** 

The product is not classified as environmentally hazardous. However, this does not exclude the possibility that large or frequent spills can have a harmful or damaging effect on the environment.

Species **Test Results** Components

Calcium hydroxide (CAS 1305-62-0)

Aquatic Acute

LC50 Fish Zambezi barbel (Clarias gariepinus) 33.9 mg/l, 96 hours

Persistence and degradability

The product contains inorganic compounds which are not biodegradable.

**Bioaccumulative potential** No data available Mobility in soil No data available. No data available. Other adverse effects

## 13. Disposal considerations

**Disposal instructions** 

Collect and reclaim or dispose in sealed containers at licensed waste disposal site. Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.

Local disposal regulations

Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations.

Hazardous waste code

The waste code should be assigned in discussion between the user, the producer and the waste

disposal company.

Waste from residues / unused

products

Dispose of in accordance with local regulations. Empty containers or liners may retain some product residues. This material and its container must be disposed of in a safe manner.

Contaminated packaging

Since emptied containers may retain product residue, follow label warnings even after container is emptied. Empty containers should be taken to an approved waste handling site for recycling or disposal.

## 14. Transport information

#### **TDG**

Not regulated as dangerous goods.

### IATA

Not regulated as dangerous goods.

#### **IMDG**

Not regulated as dangerous goods.

Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and Not applicable.

the IBC Code

# 15. Regulatory information

Canadian regulations

This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the HPR and the SDS contains all the information required by the HPR.

#### **Controlled Drugs and Substances Act**

Not regulated.

Export Control List (CEPA 1999, Schedule 3)

Not listed.

### **Greenhouse Gases**

Not listed

### **Precursor Control Regulations**

Not regulated.

## International regulations

#### **Stockholm Convention**

Not applicable.

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### **Rotterdam Convention**

Not applicable.

#### **Kyoto Protocol**

Not applicable.

### **Montreal Protocol**

Not applicable.

### **Basel Convention**

Not applicable.

#### **International Inventories**

Country(s) or region	Inventory name	On inventory (yes/no)*
Australia	Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals (AICIS)	Yes
Canada	Domestic Substances List (DSL)	No
Canada	Non-Domestic Substances List (NDSL)	Yes
China	Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China (IECSC)	Yes
Japan	Inventory of Existing and New Chemical Substances (ENCS)	Yes
Korea	Existing Chemicals List (ECL)	Yes
New Zealand	New Zealand Inventory	Yes
Philippines	Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances	Yes

(PICCS)

Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory (TCSI)

United States & Puerto Rico

Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Inventory

Yes

## 16. Other information

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products of other manufacturers in combination with its product, may be used. It is the user's responsibility to ensure safe conditions for handling, storage and disposal of the product, and to assume liability for loss, injury, damage or expense due to improper use. The information in the

sheet was written based on the best knowledge and experience currently available.

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<sup>\*</sup>A "Yes" indicates that all components of this product comply with the inventory requirements administered by the governing country(s)

A "No" indicates that one or more components of the product are not listed or exempt from listing on the inventory administered by the governing country(s).