

# Safety Data Sheet



## 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

### 1.1 Product identifier

**Product name** FINE GRADE LIMESTONE / LIMESTONE / MANUFACTURED SAND / STONE DUST  
**Synonyms** AGLIME • AGRICULTURAL LIME • FINE GRADE LIMESTONE • LIMESTONE • M250 • MANUFACTURED SAND • STONE DUST

### 1.2 Uses and uses advised against

**Uses** AGRICULTURAL LIMING • CALCIUM SUPPLEMENT • CHEMICAL PROCESSING • FILLER • FLUX • INDUSTRIAL APPLICATIONS • MANUFACTURE OF CEMENTS • MANUFACTURE OF GLASS • MANUFACTURE OF QUICKLIME • MANUFACTURE OF STEEL • NEUTRALISING AGENT • RAW MATERIAL • SOIL TREATMENT • STONEDUSTING

### 1.3 Details of the supplier of the product

**Supplier name** BORAL AUSTRALIA  
**Address** Trinita T2, Level 3, 39 Delhi Road, North Ryde, NSW, 2113, AUSTRALIA  
**Telephone** (02) 9220 6300  
**Website** <http://www.boral.com.au>

### 1.4 Emergency telephone numbers

**Emergency** 13 11 26 (Poisons Information Centre)

## 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

NOT CLASSIFIED AS HAZARDOUS ACCORDING TO SAFE WORK AUSTRALIA CRITERIA

### 2.2 GHS Label elements

No signal word, pictograms, hazard or precautionary statements have been allocated.

### 2.3 Other hazards

This product contains more than 1% Crystalline Silica (Quartz) and is considered a Crystalline Silica Substance as specified in Victoria's Occupational Health and Safety Amendment (Crystalline Silica) Regulations 2021, S.R. No. 137/2021.

## 3. COMPOSITION/ INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

### 3.1 Substances / Mixtures

Ingredient	CAS Number	EC Number	Content
CALCIUM CARBONATE	471-34-1	207-439-9	>84%
QUARTZ (CRYSTALLINE SILICA)	14808-60-7	238-878-4	<8%
IRON OXIDE (FE2O3)	1309-37-1	215-168-2	<2%
ALUMINIUM OXIDE	1344-28-1	215-691-6	<3%
MAGNESIUM CARBONATE	546-93-0	208-915-9	<3%
IMPURITIES	-	-	<1%

**Ingredient Notes** Depending on the source materials, this product may contain trace amounts of respirable crystalline silica (quartz and cristobalite), but unlikely to exceed 0.1% (wt.).

## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

#### **4.1 Description of first aid measures**

<b>Eye</b>	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. If available, immediately flush eyes with Diphoterine® solution. Continue to use Diphoterine, as required. Use Afterwash II, or a saline solution, to treat the eye, after application of Diphoterine is complete. Both appear to be suitable for this purpose.
<b>Inhalation</b>	If inhaled, remove from contaminated area. Apply artificial respiration if not breathing.
<b>Skin</b>	If skin or hair contact occurs, remove contaminated clothing and flush skin and hair with running water.
<b>Ingestion</b>	For advice, contact a Poisons Information Centre on 13 11 26 (Australia Wide) or a doctor (at once). If swallowed, do not induce vomiting.
<b>First aid facilities</b>	Eye wash facilities should be available.

#### **4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed**

Irritating to eyes, skin, and respiratory system. Chronic exposure to respirable crystalline silica may result in lung fibrosis (silicosis), and Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD). Chronic exposure to non-Quartz mineral dusts may also result in COPD. Principal symptoms of silicosis and COPD are cough and breathlessness.

Respirable Crystalline Silica (RCS) and Hexavalent Chromium (Cr+6) are both classified as carcinogenic to humans (IARC Group 1).

#### **4.3 Immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**

Treat symptomatically.

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## **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.

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## **6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

### **6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

If ambient dust is present, wear Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) as detailed in Section 8 of this SDS. Clear area of all unprotected personnel. Ventilate area where possible.

### **6.2 Environmental precautions**

Prevent product from entering drains and waterways or coming into direct contact with stormwater or groundwater.

### **6.3 Methods of cleaning up**

Contain spillage, then collect and place in suitable containers for reuse or disposal. Do not dry sweep – use wet methods where possible. Clean up residues using Class M or H vacuum.

### **6.4 Reference to other sections**

See Sections 8 and 13 for exposure controls and disposal.

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## **7. HANDLING AND STORAGE**

### **7.1 Precautions for safe handling**

Use safe work practices to avoid eye or skin contact and inhalation. Observe good personal hygiene, including washing hands before eating. Prohibit eating, drinking, and smoking in work areas which may have dusty surfaces.

### **7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**

Store in a cool, dry, well ventilated area, removed from incompatible substances and foodstuffs. Ensure containers are adequately labelled, protected from physical damage and sealed when not in use.

### **7.3 Specific end uses**

No information provided.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

### 8.1 Control parameters

#### Exposure standards

Ingredient	Reference	TWA		STEL	
		ppm	mg/m <sup>3</sup>	ppm	mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Aluminium oxide (a)	SWA [AUS]	--	10	--	--
Calcium carbonate (Limestone, Marble, Whiting)	SWA [AUS]	--	10	--	--
Iron oxide fume (Fe2O3) (as Fe)	SWA [AUS]	--	5	--	--
Magnesite (a)	SWA [AUS]	--	10	--	--
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

All work should be carried out in such a way as to minimise dust generation and reduce potential inhalation to as low as reasonably practicable. Use this product in a well-ventilated area. Where an inhalation risk exists, mechanical extraction ventilation is recommended.

Work areas and equipment should be cleaned regularly. For cleaning, do not use compressed air or dry sweeping. Use wet methods or Class M or H vacuums for cleaning equipment and other surfaces.

Maintain ambient levels of Respirable Dust and Respirable Crystalline Silica levels below the recommended exposure standards. Use Respiratory Protective Equipment (RPE) only where other controls are not effective in control ambient dust levels.

#### PPE

**Eye / Face** Wear safety glasses or dust-proof goggles when handling material to avoid contact with eyes. Refer to AS/NZS 1336.

**Hands** Where hands are subject to "dry skin" or "skin tears", wear PVC, rubber, or cotton gloves. Refer to AS/NZS 2161.

**Body** Wear long sleeved shirt and full-length trousers.

**Respiratory** Personal respiratory protection may be required where dust is airborne. The type of respiratory protection required depends primarily on the concentration of the inhalable and respirable dust in the air, and the frequency and length of exposure time. Wear a well-fitted P2 disposable respirator, or better, when potential exposure to dust exists.

A suitable P2 particulate respirator chosen and used in accordance with AS/NZS 1715 may be sufficient for many situations, but where high levels of dust are encountered, more efficient cartridge-type or powered respirators or supplied-air helmets or suits may be necessary. Use only respirators that bear the Australian Standards mark and are fitted and maintained correctly. Dust control measures providing respiratory protection against Respirable Crystalline Silica dust will also minimise and control potential exposure to Portland Cement and Hexavalent Chromium.



## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance	WHITE TO GREY SOLID OR POWDER
Odour	ODOURLESS
Flammability	NON FLAMMABLE
Flash point	NOT RELEVANT
Boiling point	> 800°C (Decomposes)
Melting point	> 800°C (Decomposes)
Evaporation rate	NOT RELEVANT
pH	NOT AVAILABLE
Vapour density	NOT AVAILABLE
Relative density	NOT AVAILABLE

**9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

Solubility (water)	NOT AVAILABLE
Vapour pressure	NOT AVAILABLE
Upper explosion limit	NOT RELEVANT
Lower explosion limit	NOT RELEVANT
Partition coefficient	NOT AVAILABLE
Autoignition temperature	NOT RELEVANT
Decomposition temperature	> 800°C
Viscosity	NOT AVAILABLE
Explosive properties	NOT EXPLOSIVE
Oxidising properties	NOT AVAILABLE
Odour threshold	NOT RELEVANT

**9.2 Other information**

Bulk density	1000 kg/m³ to 1100 kg/m³
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**10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

**10.1 Reactivity**

Calcium carbonate reacts with acids and acidic salts to generate gaseous carbon dioxide with effervescence (bubbling). The reaction with concentrated solutions of acids is rapid and exothermic. The effervescence can create extensive foaming. Ignites on contact with fluorine.

**10.2 Chemical stability**

Stable under recommended conditions of storage.

**10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions**

Polymerization will not occur.

**10.4 Conditions to avoid**

Avoid contact with incompatible substances.

**10.5 Incompatible materials**

Incompatible with acids (e.g. nitric acid), fluorine, aluminium (hot) and ammonium salts.

**10.6 Hazardous decomposition products**

This material will not decompose to form hazardous products.

**11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

**11.1 Information on toxicological effects**

**Acute toxicity** This product is expected to be of low acute toxicity. Under normal conditions of use, adverse health effects are not anticipated.

**Information available for the ingredients:**

Ingredient	Oral LD50	Dermal LD50	Inhalation LC50
CALCIUM CARBONATE	> 2000 mg/kg (rat)	> 2000 mg/kg (rat)	> 3.0 mg/L
ALUMINIUM OXIDE	> 5000 mg/kg (rat)	--	--

**Skin** Not classified as a skin irritant. Prolonged or repeated contact may result in mild irritation and rash.

**Eye** Not classified as an eye irritant. Contact may result in mild irritation, lacrimation and redness.

**Sensitisation** Not classified as causing skin or respiratory sensitisation.

**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** Not classified as causing organ damage from repeated exposure. Repeated exposure to crystalline silica may cause lung fibrosis (silicosis), however due to the low levels of respirable crystalline silica in this product, adverse health effects are not anticipated with normal use.

Aspiration Not relevant.

## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 12.1 Toxicity

The main component/s of this product are not anticipated to cause any adverse effects to the environment.

### 12.2 Persistence and degradability

Product is persistent and would have a low degradability.

### 12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

This product is not expected to bioaccumulate.

### 12.4 Mobility in soil

A 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.
14.2 Proper Shipping Name	None allocated.	None allocated.	None allocated.
14.3 Transport hazard class	None allocated.	None allocated.	None allocated.
14.4 Packing Group	None allocated.	None allocated.	None allocated.

### 14.5 Environmental hazards

Not a Marine Pollutant.

### 14.6 Special precautions for user

**Hazchem code** None allocated.

## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

### 15.1 Safety, health and environmental 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** Safe Work Australia criteria is based on the Globally Harmonised System (GHS) of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS Revision 7).

**Inventory listings** **AUSTRALIA: AIIC (Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals)**  
All components are listed on AIIC, or are exempt.

## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

Additional information

**PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT GUIDELINES:**

The recommendation for protective equipment contained within this report is provided as a guide only. Factors such as form of product, 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 including: form of product; frequency and duration of use; quantity used; effectiveness of control measures; protective equipment used and method of application. Given that it is impractical to prepare a 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 number - used to uniquely identify chemical compounds
CNS	Central Nervous System
EC No.	EC No - European Community Number
EMS	Emergency Schedules (Emergency Procedures for Ships Carrying Dangerous Goods)
GHS	Globally Harmonized System
GTEPG	Group Text Emergency Procedure Guide
IARC	International Agency for Research on Cancer
LC50	Lethal Concentration, 50% / Median Lethal Concentration
LD50	Lethal Dose, 50% / Median Lethal Dose
mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Milligrams per Cubic Metre
OEL	Occupational Exposure Limit
pH	relates to hydrogen ion concentration using a scale of 0 (high acidic) to 14 (highly alkaline).
ppm	Parts Per Million
STEL	Short-Term Exposure Limit
STOT-RE	Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure)
STOT-SE	Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)
SUSMP	Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons
SWA	Safe Work Australia
TLV	Threshold Limit Value
TWA	Time Weighted Average

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