# **Safety** Data Sheet



# 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

1.1 Product identifier

Product name QUARRY PRODUCTS

Synonyms AGGREGATES ● ARMOR ROCK ● BALLAST ● CAPPING ● CRUSHER DUST ● DRAINAGE

AGGREGATES ● FILL ● GABION ● LANDSCAPING ● MANUFACTURED SAND ● ROAD BASE ● SPALLS

1.2 Uses and uses advised against

Uses INDUSTRIAL & COMMERCIAL APPLICATIONS

1.3 Details of the supplier of the product

Supplier name BORAL AUSTRALIA

Address Triniti 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

CLASSIFIED AS HAZARDOUS ACCORDING TO SAFE WORK AUSTRALIA CRITERIA

# **Physical Hazards**

Not classified as a Physical Hazard

#### **Health Hazards**

Carcinogenicity: Category 1A

Specific Target Organ Toxicity (Repeated Exposure): Category 2

#### **Environmental Hazards**

Not classified as an Environmental Hazard

# 2.2 GHS Label elements

Signal word DANGER

**Pictograms** 



**Hazard statements** 

H350i May cause cancer by inhalation.

H373 May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

**Prevention statements** 

P201 Obtain special instructions before use.

P202 Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.

P260 Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.

P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.

Response statements

P308 + P313 IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/ attention.



#### Storage statements

None allocated.

#### **Disposal statements**

P501 Dispose of contents/container in accordance with relevant regulations.

#### 2.3 Other hazards

The hazard information provided in this Safety Data Sheet applies to the dusts within Quarry Products and particularly inhalable dust particles with a diameter less than 75 microns.

# 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

#### 3.1 Substances / Mixtures

| Ingredient   | CAS Number | EC Number | Content |
|--|------------|-----------|---------|
| AGGREGATE and DUST MAY CONTAIN >1% QUARTZ (CRYSTALLINE SILICA) | 14808-60-7 | 238-878-4 | <100%   |

#### **Ingredient Notes**

- 1. Quarry Products are supplied from naturally occurring materials excavated and processed at sand pits, gravel pits and hard rock quarries. Depending upon the source materials, the quarry product may contain varying amounts of quartz (crystalline silica).
- 2. Although rare, some Quarry Products may contain trace amounts (<0.01% w/w) of Respirable Elongated Mineral Particulates (REMP). The levels of naturally occurring REMP are determined to be well below the threshold level for classification.

#### 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 Health Professional, or for at least 15 minutes.

**Inhalation** If inhaled, remove from contaminated area. Apply artificial respiration if not breathing.

Skin If skin or hair contact occurs, remove contaminated clothing and flush skin and hair with running water till

dust removed. Continue flushing with water until advised to stop by a Poisons Information Centre or a doctor.

**Ingestion** Due to product form and application, ingestion is considered unlikely.

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

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) is classified as carcinogenic to humans (IARC Group 1). Chronic exposure to Respirable Elongate Mineral Particles may result in lung disease, and the risk of lung cancer is increased for smokers.

# 4.3 Immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

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.

# 5.3 Advice for firefighters

Non-flammable, treat surrounding fires as per their requirements.

# 5.4 Hazchem code

None allocated.

# 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES



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

If dust is or could be 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.

# 6.3 Methods of cleaning up

Contain spillage, then collect and place in suitable containers for disposal. Avoid generating dust.

#### 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

All stockpiles and dumps should be managed to avoid dust generation (highly recommended - moisture addition to surfaces, especially disturbed faces), run-off, or the risk of collapse.

# 7.3 Specific end uses

Not recommended for household use. This product contains more than 1% crystalline silica 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.

# 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

# 8.1 Control parameters

#### **Exposure standards**

| Ingredient               | Reference | TWA |       | STEL |       |
|--------------------------|-----------|-----|-------|------|-------|
| ingredient               |           | 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**

All work should be carried out in such a way as to minimise dust generation (recommend dampening of material and stockpile surfaces), and eliminate lung exposure to dust. Dust suppression and/or extraction may be used, if necessary, to control airborne dust levels. Work areas should be cleaned regularly, especially prior to conducting maintenance activities. Maintain respirable dust and Quartz (Respirable Crystalline Silica) levels below the recommended exposure standards (see 8.1 above).



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**PPE** 

Personal protective equipment (PPE) should meet recommended national standards. Check with PPE suppliers.

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. A suitable P2 particulate respirator chosen and used in accordance with AS/NZS 1715 and AS/NZS 1716 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 crystalline silica dust will also

minimise and control any exposure to Actinolite.







# 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance SOLID (COLOUR, SHAPE AND TEXTURE DEPENDS ON SOURCE OF RAW MATERIAL)

Odour **ODOURLESS Flammability** NON FLAMMABLE Flash point NOT RELEVANT **Boiling point NOT AVAILABLE Melting point NOT AVAILABLE Evaporation rate NOT RELEVANT** Hq NOT AVAILABLE Vapour density **NOT RELEVANT** Relative density **NOT AVAILABLE** Solubility (water) **INSOLUBLE** Vapour pressure **NOT RELEVANT** Upper explosion limit **NOT AVAILABLE** Lower explosion limit **NOT AVAILABLE Partition coefficient NOT RELEVANT** Autoignition temperature **NOT AVAILABLE** Decomposition temperature **NOT AVAILABLE NOT AVAILABLE Viscosity** NOT EXPLOSIVE **Explosive properties** Oxidising properties **NON OXIDISING** 

# 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

#### 10.1 Reactivity

This material is considered inert.

Odour threshold

# 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 dust generation. Do not use compressed air to clean surfaces of dust. Use vacuum or wet methods.

NOT AVAILABLE

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#### 10.5 Incompatible materials

Incompatible with strong acids (e.g. hydrochloric acid).

#### 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.

Skin Contact may result in mechanical irritation, redness, rash and dermatitis.

Eve Contact may result in mechanical irritation, lacrimation and redness.

Sensitisation Not classified as causing skin or respiratory sensitisation.

Mutagenicity Insufficient data available to classify as a mutagen.

Carcinogenicity This product contains crystalline silica which is classified as carcinogenic to humans (IARC Group 1).

However, there is sufficient information to conclude that the relative risk of lung cancer is increased in persons with silicosis. Therefore, preventing the onset of silicosis will also reduce the cancer risk. There is also information that concludes the risk of lung disease in smokers is greatly increased when combined with dust exposures. The level of health risk posed by Respirable Elongated Mineral Particles continues to be debated internationally and there is no agreed position on the health risk posed, therefore a precautionary

approach is considered appropriate.

Reproductive Insufficient data available to classify as a reproductive toxin.

STOT - single Not classified as causing organ damage from single exposure.

exposure

STOT - repeated

exposure

Repeated exposure to respirable silica above the regulated exposure standard may result in pulmonary fibrosis (silicosis) and COPD. Silicosis is a fibronodular lung disease caused by deposition in the lungs of

fine respirable particles of crystalline silica. Exposure to silica at levels that appear not to cause overt

silicosis can cause chronic bronchitis and chronic obstructive airways disease.

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

# 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 non-degradable.

#### 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

Avoid contamination of drains and waterways.

# 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

#### 13.1 Waste treatment methods

Waste disposal Ensure product is kept damp, or covered with moist soil to prevent dust generation and dispose of to

approved Council Landfill. Contact the manufacturer/supplier for additional information.

**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<br>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.

Other information Avoid contamination of drains and waterways. Minimise ambient dust generation. In transit, highly

recommend the dampening of load surface and covering of load. Moisture content should be

constrained in order to prevent leakage from tail gates.

#### 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: AllC (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.



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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/m³ 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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