

FLINN SCIENTIFIC, INC.

Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS)

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SECTION 1 — CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Diatomaceous Earth

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SECTION 2 — COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Diatomaceous earth

Synonyms: celite, infusorial earth

CAS#: 61790-53-2

SECTION 3 — HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

White to buff-colored solid. Slightly spicy odor.

Avoid breathing dust. Irritating to skin, eyes, and mucous membranes.

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Health-0

Flammability-0

Reactivity-0

Exposure-0

Storage-0

0 is low hazard, 3 is high hazard

SECTION 4 — FIRST AID MEASURES

Call a physician and seek medical attention for further treatment, observation, and support after first aid.

Inhalation: Remove to fresh air at once. If breathing has stopped, give artificial respiration immediately.

Eye or External: Immediately flush with fresh water for at least 15 minutes.

Internal: Rinse mouth. Give large quantities of water for dilution.

SECTION 5 — FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Nonflammable solid.

NFPA CODE

None
established

SECTION 6 — ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Restrict unprotected personnel from the area. Sweep up the spill, place in a sealed bag or container, and dispose. Ventilate area and wash spill site after material pickup is complete. See Sections 8 and 13 for further information.

SECTION 7 — HANDLING AND STORAGE

Flinn Suggested Chemical Storage Pattern: Inorganic #4. Store with hydroxides, oxides, silicates, and carbonates.

Moisture sensitive material, store in a Flinn Chem-Saf bag.

SECTION 8 — EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION

Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Wear chemical splash goggles, chemical-resistant gloves, and a chemical-resistant apron. Use exhaust ventilation to keep airborne concentrations low.

SECTION 9 — PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

White to buff-colored solid (88% silica)

Specific gravity: 1.9-2.35

Slightly spicy odor.

Solubility: Soluble in strong alkalis; no acid except hydrofluoric.

SECTION 10 — STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Avoid contact with hydrofluoric acid.

Shelf life: Good, if kept dry.

SECTION 11 — TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute effects: Harmful dust.

ORL-RAT LD₅₀: N.A.

Chronic effects: N.A.

IHL-RAT LC₅₀: N.A.

Target organs: Lungs.

SKN-RBT LD₅₀: N.A.

N.A. = Not available, not all health aspects of this substance have been fully investigated.

SECTION 12 — ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Data not yet available.

SECTION 13 — DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Please review all federal, state and local regulations that may apply, before proceeding.

Flinn Suggested Disposal Method #26a is one option.

SECTION 14 — TRANSPORT INFORMATION

Shipping name: Not regulated

Hazard class: N/A

UN number: N/A

N/A = Not applicable

SECTION 15 — REGULATORY INFORMATION

TSCA-listed.

SECTION 16 — OTHER INFORMATION

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