

1. Identification of Substance & Company

Product

Product name	Zeolite - granular
Product code	to be advised
HSNO approval	HSR002544 or HSR2503
Approval description	Construction Products (Subsidiary Hazard) Group Standard 2006 or Additives, Process Chemicals and Raw Materials (Subsidiary Hazard) Group Standard 2006
UN number	NA
Proper Shipping Name	NA
Packaging group	NA
Hazchem code	NA
Uses	Raw material

Company Details

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2. Hazard Identification

Approval

This product has been approved under the Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act (HSNO, Approval HSR002544 or HSR2503, Construction Products (Subsidiary Hazard) Group Standard 2006) or Additives, Process Chemicals and Raw Materials (Subsidiary Hazard) Group Standard 2006, and is classified as follows:

Classes	Hazard Statements
6.3A	Causes skin irritation.
6.4A	Causes eye irritation.

SYMBOLS

WARNING



Other Classifications

Zeolite contains crystalline silica. The following classification ONLY applies to this substance if it is in the form of a fine respirable dust in an occupational (chronic exposure) setting.:

6.7A	May cause cancer
6.9A	Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure

Precautionary Statements

Precautionary	<p>Read label before use. Wash hands thoroughly after handling. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing. Wear eye/face protection. IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water. If skin irritation occurs: get medical advice/attention. Take off contaminated clothing and wash before re-use. IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Apply continuous irrigation with water for at least 15 minutes holding eyelids apart. If eye irritation</p>
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persists: Get medical advice.

3. Composition / Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS/ Identification	Conc (w/w %)
Zeolite – crystalline aluminosilicates may contains oxides including silica and aluminium oxide:	1318-02-1	100
Silica component may include		
Cristobalite	14464-46-1	<10
Quartz (crystalline silica)	14808-60-7	<10

This is a commercial product whose exact ratio of components may vary. Trace quantities of impurities are also likely.

4. First Aid

General Information

If medical advice is needed, have product container or label at hand. You should call the National Poisons Centre if you feel that you may have been poisoned, burned or irritated by this product. The number is 0800 764 766 (0800 POISON) (24 hr emergency service).

Recommended first aid facilities Ready access to running water is required. Accessible eyewash is required.

Exposure

Swallowed

Do NOT induce vomiting. Give a glass of water to drink. Contact a doctor.

Eye contact

IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Apply continuous irrigation with water for at least 15 minutes holding eyelids apart. If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice.

Skin contact

IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water. If skin irritation occurs: get medical advice/attention. Take off contaminated clothing and wash before re-use.

Inhaled

If coughing, dizziness or shortness of breath is experienced, remove the patient to fresh air immediately. If patient is unconscious, place in the recovery position (on the side) for transport and contact a doctor.

Advice to Doctor

Treat symptomatically

5. Firefighting Measures

Fire and explosion hazards:

There are no specific risks for fire/explosion for this chemical. It is non-flammable.

Suitable extinguishing substances:

Carbon dioxide, extinguishing powder or water jet. Fight larger fires with water jet or alcohol resistant foam.

Unsuitable extinguishing substances:

Unknown.

Products of combustion:

Product does not burn. Dust may form irritating atmosphere.

Protective equipment:

No special measures are required.

Hazchem code:

NA

6. Accidental Release Measures

Containment

There is no current legal requirement for containment of this product.

Emergency procedures

In the event of large spillage alert the fire brigade to location and give brief description of hazard.

Wear protective equipment to prevent skin, eye and respiratory exposure.

Clear area of any unprotected personnel.

Sweep up the solid. Avoid creating dust. If appropriate, use a gentle water spray to wet material to minimise dust generation.

Disposal

Sweep up and collect recoverable material into labelled containers for recycling or salvage. This material may be suitable for approved landfill. Dispose of only in accord with all regulations.

Precautions

Wear protective equipment to prevent skin and eye contamination and the inhalation of dusts. Work up wind or increase ventilation.

7. Storage & Handling

Storage Handling Stable under normal use and storage conditions. Keep exposure to a minimum, and minimise the quantities kept in work areas. See section 8 with regard to personal protective equipment requirements. Do not breathe dust.

8. Exposure Controls / Personal Protective Equipment

Workplace Exposure Standards

A workplace exposure standard (WES) has not been established by WorkSafe NZ for this product. There is a general limit of 10mg/m³ for dusts and mists when limits have not otherwise been established.

NZ Workplace Exposure Stds (2013)	Ingredient	WES-TWA	WES-STEL
	Silicon dioxide	see crystalline silica	data unavailable
	Aluminium oxide	10mg/m ³	data unavailable
	Iron (II) Oxide	5mg/m ³ (as Fe)	data unavailable
	Magnesium oxide	10mg/m ³ (fume)	data unavailable
	Calcium oxide	2mg/m ³	data unavailable
	Titanium dioxide	10mg/m ³	data unavailable
	Quartz (SiO ₂):		
	quartz, respirable dust	0.2mg/m ³	data unavailable
	cristobalite, respirable dust	0.1mg/m ³	data unavailable

Engineering Controls

In industrial situations, it is expected that employee exposure to hazardous substances will be controlled to a level as far below the WES as practicable by applying the hierarchy of control required by the Health and Safety in Employment Act 1992 (HSE). Exposure can be reduced by process modification, use of local exhaust ventilation, capturing substances at the source, or other methods. If you believe air borne concentrations of mists, dusts or vapours are high, you are advised to modify processes or increase ventilation.

Personal Protective Equipment

Eyes Protective eyewear is not normally necessary when using this product. However, it always prudent to use protective eyewear if dust is likely.

Skin Avoid repeated or prolonged skin contact. Wear overalls, rubber boots and impervious gloves. Replace frequently. Gloves should be checked for tears or holes before use. Remove protective clothing and wash exposed areas with soap and water prior to eating, drinking or smoking. Wash contaminated clothing before re-use.

Respiratory To prevent irritation a well fitted dust mask should be used (this is not recommended when exposure is close to the WES). Use of a P2 dust mask or fine particulate half or full face respirator with an effective seal is recommended when airborne concentrations approach the WES (section 8). Fit testing and clear guidelines and training for use and maintenance of PPE are necessary.

WES Additional Information

Not applicable

9. Physical & Chemical Properties

Appearance	solid, granular, off white/tan colour
Odour	no odour
pH	8.65 (10% aqueous suspension)
Vapour pressure	NA
Viscosity	NA
Boiling point	NA
Volatile materials	no data
Freezing / melting point	NA
Solubility	not soluble in water
Specific gravity / density	~0.65g/cm ³
Flash point	no data
Danger of explosion	NA
Auto-ignition temperature	NA
Upper & lower flammable limits	NA
Corrosiveness	non corrosive

10. Stability & Reactivity

Stability	Stable
Conditions to be avoided	Containers should be kept closed in order to avoid contamination. Avoid the creation of dust.
Incompatible groups	Avoid contact with strong oxidising agents and hydrogen fluoride.
Hazardous decomposition products	None known
Hazardous reactions	Zeolites will react with hydrogen fluoride (HF) acid. Avoid contact with strong oxidising agents.

11. Toxicological Information

Summary

IF IN EYES: Fine dust may cause irritation when in direct contact.

IF ON SKIN: Material may cause drying out of skin.

IF INHALED: May cause respiratory irritation. Also see chronic effects.

IF SWALLOWED: No adverse effects anticipated under normal use conditions.

CHRONIC EFFECTS: The adverse health effects from respirable crystalline silica exposure-silicosis, cancer, scleroderma, tuberculosis, and nephrotoxicity- are chronic effects. This product is granular, but may become a respirable dust through sanding/grinding.

Supporting Data

Acute	Oral	Not considered acutely toxic if swallowed.
	Dermal	Not considered acutely toxic by dermal contact.
Chronic	Inhaled	The substance is not considered acutely toxic if inhaled, however there may be irritation of the respiratory tract if dust is inhaled. Short term (acute) silicosis (see "systemic" below) can also occur with one-off exposures to extremely high levels of fine crystalline silica dust. Other short term effects include irritation, choking and difficulty breathing.
	Eye	The mixture is not considered to be an eye irritant. Dust may be an eye irritant (mechanical irritation).
	Skin	The mixture is considered to be a mild skin irritant.
	Sensitisation	No ingredient present at concentrations > 0.1% is considered a sensitizer.
	Mutagenicity	No ingredient present at concentrations > 0.1% is considered a mutagen.
	Carcinogenicity	Zeolites have been classed by IARC as group 3 – cannot be evaluated as to their carcinogenicity to humans. However, there is evidence that this material does contain quartz and cristobalite. Crystalline silica inhaled in the form of quartz or cristobalite from occupational sources is carcinogenic to humans (IARC Group 1). Crystalline Silica triggers 6.7A classification (confirmed carcinogen). The carcinogenicity of silica is related to long term (e.g., 10 years) inhalation of very fine particulate (e.g., from sand blasting or dry cutting of quartz containing substrates). Carcinogenicity of silica appears linked to development of silicosis (see systematic below) followed by complications and, eventually lung cancer
	Reproductive / Developmental Systemic	No ingredient present at concentrations > 0.1% is considered a reproductive or developmental toxicant or have any effects on or via lactation. The respirable fraction of the dust of this product is considered to be a target organ toxicant, because of the presence of crystalline silica at greater than 1%. Crystalline silica triggers 6.9A classification if it is in the form of a fine respirable dust in an occupational (chronic exposure) setting. This is due to the development of silicosis which can occur following exposure to extremely high levels of fine silica dust. Silicosis is a type of pneumoconiosis – a disease of the lung that causes inflammation, scar tissue, lesions and fibrosis in the lung (alveolar). Symptoms include shortness of breath, cough, fever, loss of appetite and cyanosis (bluish skin). Silicosis can occur following prolonged exposure (e.g., 10 years) to relatively high levels of fine crystalline silica dust. Based on limited animal research, it is possible that repeated inhalation of cellulose fibre dust may lead to inflammation and scarring of the lung.
Aggravation of existing conditions	None known	

12. Ecological Data

Summary

This product is not considered ecotoxic.

Supporting Data

Aquatic	Not ecotoxic in the aquatic environment.
Bioaccumulation	No data
Degradability	No data
Soil	No considered ecotoxic in the soil environment.
Terrestrial vertebrate	Not toxic towards terrestrial vertebrates
Terrestrial invertebrate	Not toxic towards terrestrial invertebrates
Biocidal	Not biocidal
Environmental effect levels	No EELs are available for this mixture or ingredients

13. Disposal Considerations

Restrictions	There are no product-specific restrictions, however, local council and resource consent conditions may apply, including requirements of trade waste consents.
Disposal method	Disposal of this product must comply with the requirements of the Resource Management Act for which approval should be sought from the Regional Authority. The substance must be treated and therefore rendered non-hazardous before discharge to the environment.
Contaminated packaging	Rinse containers with water before disposal. Preferably re-cycle container, otherwise send to landfill or similar.

14. Transport Information

There are no specific restrictions for this product (not a dangerous good).

UN number:	NA	Proper shipping name:	NA
Class(es)	NA	Packing group:	NA
Precautions:	Not applicable.	Hazchem code:	NA

15. Regulatory Information

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Specific Workplace Controls (as per HSNO approval referenced to Controls Matrix)

Key workplace requirements are:

SDS	To be available within 10 minutes in workplaces storing > 50kg.
Labelling	No removal of labels and/or decanting of product into other containers can occur.
Emergency plan	Not required.
Approved handler	Not required.
Tracking	Not required.
Bundling & secondary containment	Not required.
Signage	Not required.
Location test certificate	Not required.
Flammable zone	Not required.
Fire extinguisher	Not required.

Note: The above workplace requirements apply if only this particular substance is present. The complete set of controls for a location will depend on the classification and total quantities of other substances present in that location.

Other Legislation

In New Zealand, the use of this product may come under the Resource Management Act and Regulations, the Health, Safety in Employment Act and Regulations, local Council Rules and Regional Council Plans.

16. Other Information

Abbreviations

Approval Code	Approval HSR002544 or HSR002503, Construction Products (Subsidiary Hazard) Group Standard 2006 or Additives, Process Chemicals and Raw Materials (Subsidiary Hazard) Group Standard 2006, Controls, EPA. www.epa.govt.nz
CAS Number	Unique Chemical Abstracts Service Registry Number
Ceiling	Ceiling Exposure Value: The maximum airborne concentration of a biological or chemical agent to which a worker may be exposed at any time.
Controls Matrix	List of default controls linking regulation numbers to Matrix code (e.g. T1, I16).
EC₅₀	Ecotoxic Concentration 50% – concentration in water which is fatal to 50% of a test population (e.g. daphnia, fish species)
ERMA	Environmental Risk Management Authority (now EPA)
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency (previously known as ERMA)
HAZCHEM Code	Emergency action code of numbers and letters that provide information to emergency services, especially fire fighters
HSNO	Hazardous Substances and New Organisms (Act and Regulations)
IARC	International Agency for Research on Cancer
LEL	Lower Explosive Limit
LD₅₀	Lethal Dose 50% – dose which is fatal to 50% of a test population (usually rats).
LC₅₀	Lethal Concentration 50% – concentration in air which is fatal to 50% of a test population (usually rats)
MSDS (SDS)	Material Safety Data Sheet (or Safety Data Sheet)
STEL	Short Term Exposure Limit - The maximum airborne concentration of a chemical or biological agent to which a worker may be exposed in any 15 minute period, provided the TWA is not exceeded
TWA	Time Weighted Average – generally referred to WES averaged over typical work day (usually 8 hours)
UEL	Upper Explosive Limit
UN Number	United Nations Number
WES	Workplace Exposure Standard - The airborne concentration of a biological or chemical agent to which a worker may be exposed.

References

Data	Unless otherwise stated comes from the EPA HSNO chemical classification information database (CCID) http://www.epa.govt.nz/hs/compliance/chemicals.html , for specific chemicals.
EPA Transfer Gazettes	Classifications and controls assigned for specific ingredients (consolidated gazette, 2004)
Controls Matrix	Part of the EPA New Zealand User Guide to the HSNO Control Regulations
WES 2013	The NZ Workplace Exposure Standards Effective from 2013, published by WorkSafe NZ and available on their web site – www.worksafe.govt.nz .
Other References:	Suppliers SDS

Review

Date	Reason for review
March 2016	New SDS.

Disclaimer

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