

Material Safety Data Sheet



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1. PRODUCT & COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product: Pumice
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2. PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Complex natural silicate, consisting mainly of amorphous silica (SiO₂) but also containing minor quantities of various metallic oxides.

3. CHEMICAL ANALYSIS

Constituent	Name	% Occurrence
SiO ₂	Silicon Dioxide	74.55
Al ₂ O ₃	Aluminium Oxide	12.45
K ₂ O	Potassium Oxide	4.50
Na ₂ O	Sodium Oxide	4.00
Fe ₂ O ₃	Ferric Oxide	<2.00
CaO	Calcium Oxide	<2.00
MgO	Magnesium Oxide	<2.00
TiO ₂	Titanium Oxide	<2.00
SO ₃	Sulphur Trioxide	0.20
MnO	Manganese Oxide	0.10
CO ₂	Carbon Dioxide	0.10
FeO	Ferrous Oxide	0.06
P ₂ O ₅	Phosphorous Pent	0.005
H ₂ O+	Combined Water	4.35

This media contains no free silica.

4. HANDLING PRECAUTIONS

No hazard has been brought to our attention as a result of the normal industrial use of this product. As with any finely divided inert material, steps should be taken to avoid inhalation of dust. Pumice consists of amorphous silica and does not contain quartz in allotropic crystalline forms such as Cristobalite, Tridymite etc. It is, however, recommended to adhere to the T.L.V. specified by the A.C.G.I.H. and as listed for "Nuisance Particulates" in H.S.E. guidance note EH40.

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5. FIRST AID	For eyes - wash out thoroughly with water to remove all dust particles.																												
6. SPILLAGE	Sweep up into another container for disposal as inert solid waste.																												
7. FIRE	Not Applicable.																												
8. STORAGE & HANDLING	Store in dry place, handle carefully to avoid raising high concentration of dust in the work area.																												
9. PROTECTIVE DEVICES	Eye wash bottle with clean water. Suitable dust mask if exposed to high dust concentration's. If persistent consider local extraction / ventilation systems to keep concentration in air below 10mg cubic metre- the threshold limit value listed for "Nuisance Particulates" in Health & Safety. Executives Guidance Note EH40 (but not specifically listing Pumice Powder).																												
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11. STABILITY & REACTIVITY	Pumice is an inert mineral, insoluble in water, alkalis and acids (other than Hydroflouric acids).																												
12. TOXICOLOGICAL EFFECTS	Non - toxic. Does not cause allergic or narcotic reaction. Lead & asbestos totally absent.																												
13. ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION	Natural, inert material. Is not a pollutant.																												
14. WASTE DISPOSAL	As inert solid waste.																												

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15. TRANSPORTATION

The transportation of Pumice is not classified as hazardous. The product is packed in polypropylene sacks with an internal polythene lining and machine sealed. Alternatively packed in paper valve sacks.

16. LEGISLATION

CAS N. 1332-09-8
EH40 - Occupational Exposure Limits
EH44 - Dust: General Principles of Protection
No relevant EINECS No. due to EU legislation 79/831, 6th amendment 67/548/EEC included in heading "substances recurrent in nature".

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