

# **SAFETY DATA SHEET**

# 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

1.1 Product identifier

Product name POTTERY CLAY

Synonym(s) CLAYSWORKS POTTERY CLAY

1.2 Uses and uses advised against Use(s) CERAMIC

1.3 Details of the supplier of the product

Supplier name CLAYWORKS POTTERS SUPPLY PTY LTD

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1.4 Emergency telephone number(s)
Emergency 0419 220 048

# 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

NOT CLASSIFIED AS HAZARDOUS ACCORDING TO SAFE WORK AUSTRALIA CRITERIA

### 2.2 Label elements

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

# 2.3 Other hazards

No information provided.

# 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

## 3.1 Substances / Mixtures

Ingredient	CAS Number	EC Number	Content
QUARTZ (CRYSTALLINE SILICA)	14808-60-7	238-878-4	10 to 25%
CALCIUM CARBONATE	471-34-1	207-439-9	<10%
TALC	14807-96-6	238-877-9	<10%
KAOLINITE	1318-74-7	215-286-4	40 to 70%
FELDSPAR-GROUP MINERALS	68476-25-5	270-666-7	10 to 25%
MAGNESIUM CARBONATE, BASIC	39409-82-0	609-673-0	<10%
NEPHELINE SYENITE	37244-96-5	609-369-8	<10%
HAEMATITE	1317-60-8	215-275-4	<4%

# 4. FIRST AID MEASURES



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### 4.1 Description of first aid measures

If in eyes, hold eyelids apart and flush continuously with running water. Continue flushing until advised to Eye

stop by a Poisons Information Centre, a doctor, or for at least 15 minutes.

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

Wash exposed skin for hygienic purposes. Seek medical attention if irritation develops. May aggravate Skin

pre-existing skin conditions.

For advice, contact a Poisons Information Centre on 13 11 26 (Australia Wide) or a doctor (at once). If Ingestion

swallowed, do not induce vomiting.

First aid facilities None allocated.

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

See Section 11 for more detailed information on health effects and symptoms.

### 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

Treat as per requirements for surrounding fires. Evacuate area and contact emergency services. Remain upwind and notify those downwind of hazard. Wear full protective equipment including Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) when combating fire. Use waterfog to cool intact containers and nearby storage areas.

# 5.4 Hazchem code

None allocated.

# 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

# 6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Wear Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) as detailed in section 8 of the SDS.

### 6.2 Environmental precautions

Prevent product from entering drains and waterways.

# 6.3 Methods of cleaning up

Contain spillage, then cover / absorb spill with non-combustible absorbent material (vermiculite, sand, or similar), collect and place in suitable containers for disposal.

# 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

Before use carefully read the product label. Use of safe work practices are recommended to avoid eye or skin contact and inhalation. Observe good personal hygiene, including washing hands before eating. Prohibit eating, drinking and smoking in contaminated areas.

# 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.

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## 7.3 Specific end use(s)

No information provided.



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# 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

### 8.1 Control parameters

# **Exposure standards**

Ingredient	Reference	TWA		STEL	
		ppm	mg/m³	ppm	mg/m³
Calcium carbonate (Limestone, Marble, Whiting)	SWA (AUS)		10		
Iron oxide fume (Fe2O3) (as Fe)	SWA (AUS)		5		
Kaolin	SWA (AUS)		10		
Quartz (respirable dust)	SWA (AUS)		0.1		
Talc (no asbestos fibres)	SWA (AUS)		2.5		

### **Biological limits**

No biological limit values have been entered for this product.

# 8.2 Exposure controls

Avoid inhalation. Use in well ventilated areas. Maintain dust / vapour levels below the recommended **Engineering controls** 

exposure standard.

PPE

Eye / Face Wear splash-proof goggles.

Hands With prolonged use, wear PVC gloves.

**Body** When using large quantities or where heavy contamination is likely, wear coveralls.

Respiratory Not required under normal conditions of use.





# 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

# 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

WHITE OR YELLOW OR RED CLAY **Appearance** 

Odour **ODOURLESS Flammability** NON FLAMMABLE Flash point **NOT RELEVANT Boiling point NOT AVAILABLE Melting point NOT AVAILABLE Evaporation rate NOT AVAILABLE NOT AVAILABLE** На Vapour density **NOT AVAILABLE** 

Specific gravity 2.6

Solubility (water) **INSOLUBLE** Vapour pressure **NOT AVAILABLE NOT RELEVANT** Upper explosion limit Lower explosion limit NOT RELEVANT Partition coefficient **NOT AVAILABLE NOT AVAILABLE Autoignition temperature** Decomposition temperature **NOT AVAILABLE Viscosity** NOT AVAILABLE **Explosive properties NOT AVAILABLE Oxidising properties** NOT AVAILABLE **Odour threshold NOT AVAILABLE** 

# 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY



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### 10.1 Reactivity

Carefully review all information provided in sections 10.2 to 10.6.

### 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

No known conditions to avoid.

### 10.5 Incompatible materials

Incompatible with oxidising agents (e.g. hypochlorites) and acids (e.g. nitric acid).

### 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

May evolve toxic gases if heated to decomposition.

# 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

# 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

**Acute toxicity** This product is expected to be of low toxicity. Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

Information available for the ingredient(s):

Ingredient	Oral Toxicity (LD50)	Dermal Toxicity (LD50)	Inhalation Toxicity (LC50)
CALCIUM CARBONATE	6450 mg/kg (rat)		

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

dermatitis.

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

Not classified as causing skin or respiratory sensitisation. Sensitisation

Mutagenicity Not classified as a mutagen.

Not classified as a carcinogen. Crystalline silica is classified as carcinogenic to humans (IARC Group 1). Carcinogenicity

However, adverse health effects are not anticipated given the non respirable nature of the silica quartz in this

product (as supplied).

Reproductive Not classified 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. Adverse health effects, usually associated

with long term exposure to respirable crystalline silica is not anticipated due to the product form.

**Aspiration** Not classified as causing aspiration.

# 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 12.1 Toxicity

No information provided.

### 12.2 Persistence and degradability

No information provided.

# 12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

No information provided.

# 12.4 Mobility in soil

No information provided.

# 12.5 Other adverse effects

No information provided.

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# 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

### 13.1 Waste treatment methods

Waste disposal Reuse where possible. Alternatively, absorb with sand or similar and dispose of to an approved landfill site.

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

No information provided.

### 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 Safework Australia criteria is based on the Globally Harmonised System (GHS) of Classification and

Labelling of Chemicals.

The classifications and phrases listed below are based on the Approved Criteria for Classifying Hazardous

Substances [NOHSC: 1008(2004)].

Hazard codes None allocated.

Risk phrases None allocated.

Safety phrases None allocated.

Inventory listing(s) AUSTRALIA: AICS (Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances)

All components are listed on AICS, 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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