

### Section 4 – First Aid Measures

INHALATION: Not expected from intact tiles. If dust/particles from cut or broken tiles is inhaled: move victim to fresh air. Place in comfortable breathing position. Get medical attention if breathing becomes difficult at any time.

SKIN CONTACT: If on skin: wash thoroughly with soap and water. If any symptoms or irritation result from exposure, get medical attention.

EYE CONTACT: Not expected from intact tiles. If dust/particles from cut or broken tiles gets in eyes: rinse with water for several minutes. Remove contacts, continue rinsing. If irritation results from exposure, get medical attention.

INGESTION: Not expected from intact tiles. If dust/particles from cut or broken tiles is swallowed, rinse mouth with water. DO NOT induce vomiting.

MOST IMPORTANT SYMPTOMS/EFFECTS: Acute: Inhalation of dust/particles can lead to respiratory irritation. Exposure to skin and eyes can cause irritation and drying. Delayed: Chronic or repeated inhalation of airborne dust/particles from cut or broken tiles can cause Silicosis, Pulmonary Fibrosis, COPD and/or other lung cancers

IMMEDIATE MEDICAL ATTENTION/SPECIAL TREATMENT: Emergency medical attention is not expected from single or acute exposure, however, chronic inhalation of product in dust/particle form may lead to lung disorders requiring medical intervention and treatments

#### Section 5 – Fire-Fighting Measures

SUITABLE EXTINGUISHING MEDIA: Natural Stone tile does not pose a fire hazard, however normal fires can be extinguished using water mist, CO2, or Dry Chemical (ABC) extinguishers

SPECIAL FIRE-FIGHTING PROCEDURES: Wear self-contained breathing apparatus with full-face mask and fire-fighter protective clothing when fighting fires.

UNUSUAL FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARDS: None

FLAMMABILITY				

**Porcelain Tile** 

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PHYSICAL HAZARDS

HEALTH

NFPA Rating: Health: 2 Flammability: 0 Reactivity: 0

### Section 6 – Accidental Release Measures

PERSONAL PRECAUTIONS: When cutting tile during installation: Wet cutting is highly recommended. Dry cutting will cause excessive particle and dust formation. Avoid inhalation of particles/dust from cut or broken tiles.

PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT: A dust collection system is recommended for all indoor areas. PPE (eye and respiratory protection) is required when exposed to environment containing airborne particles/dust that meet or exceed the PEL. Only use NIOSH approved respirators (Half or Full Face).

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES: None expected

METHODS AND MATERIALS FOR CONTAINMENT AND CLEANING UP: For clean-up of excessive amounts of particles/dust, a vacuum system containing a High-Efficiency Particulate (HEPA) filtering system is recommended. User must use respiratory protection as levels of airborne contaminants may exceed PEL's.

### Section 7 – Handling and Storage

PRECAUTIONS FOR SAFE HANDLING: Product is fragile. Breaking of tiles can produce potentially harmful airborne contaminants. Padding between hard edges and tile is recommended.

CONDITIONS FOR SAFE STORAGE INCLUDING INCOMPATIBILITIES: Store away from acids.

## Section 8 – Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

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Component	CAS	OSHA PEL; TWA	ACGIH TLV	NIOSH REL
Silicon Dioxide	14808-60-7	50mcg/m³/8 hour avg	.025 mg/m³	.05 mg/m³
Sodium Carbonate	497-19-8	N/A	N/A	N/A
Calcium Carbonate	1317-65-3	15 mg/m³ (T)	10 mg/m3	10 mg/m3
Feldspar	68476-25-5	10 mg/m³	.025 mg/m3 respirable dust	.05 mg/m3
Biotite	12001-26-2	20 mppcf	3 mg/m3 respirable dust 3 mg/m3	
Iron Oxide	1345-25-1	10 mg/m³	5 mg/m3 respirable dust	5 mg/m3

APPROPRIATE ENGINEERING CONTROLS: Use sufficient local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to maintain the level of respirable SiO2 below the OSHA PEL. General ventilation should be sufficient for most operations. Local exhaust ventilation may be necessary for some operations such as using indoors in confined non-ventilated room. Use wet cutting methods when available.

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT: To avoid exposures in excess of the OSHA PEL, consider wearing air-purifying respirators with HEPA filters or NIOSH-approved dust respirators. Wear proper protective clothing, e.g. long pants and long- sleeved shirts, to avoid contact with product. Use ANSI-approved eye protection and chemical resistant gloves.

RESPIRATORY PROTECTION: If it is not possible to reduce airborne exposure levels to below the OSHA PEL with ventilation, wear a NIOSH-approved air-purifying respirator with HEPA filters or the appropriate NIOSH-approved respirator.

EYE/FACE PROTECTION: Under normal conditions, wear safety goggles that meet the ANSI Z87.1 standard.

HAND PROTECTION: Cotton or leather gloves should be worn to avoid contact with skin. Wash hands before and after using/handling product.

PROTECTIVE CLOTHING: Wear long pants and long-sleeved shirts while working with this material.

## Section 9 – Physical and Chemical Properties

APPEARANCE: Solid (various colors)	ODOR: None, odorless
pH: N/A	MELTING PT/FREEZING PT: N/A
INITIAL BOILING POINT: N/A	FLASH POINT: N/A
FLAMMABILITY: N/A	EVAPORATION RATE: N/A
VAPOR DENSITY: N/A	RELATIVE DENSITY: 1.7 to 2.5
VAPOR PRESSURE: N/A	%VOLATILE BY VOLUME: None
PARTITION COEFFICIENT: n-OCTANOL/WATER: N/A	VISCOSITY: N/A
AUTOIGNITION TEMPERATURE: N/A	SOLUBILITY IN WATER: Insoluble

### Section 10 – Stability and Reactivity

**REACTIVITY: None** 

CHEMICAL STABILITY: Product is completely stable in its current form.

POSSIBILITY OF HAZARDOUS REACTIONS: None known

CONDITIONS TO AVOID: Avoid exposing product to acids.

INCOMPATIBLE MATERIALS: Avoid exposing product to acids.

HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS: If stored and handled properly, none known.

#### Section 11 – Toxicological Information

\*Intact tile does not have any known harmful routes of exposure. Hazards come from dust/particle formation from cutting or breaking. \*

Routes of Entry (only from cut or broken tile): Inhalation: YES

Ingestion: YES

Eye: YES Skin: YES

SYMPTOMS RELATED TO THE PHYSICAL, CHEMICAL AND TOXICOLOGICAL CHARACTERISTICS: Eye, skin, and respiratory tract irritation, and/or difficulty breathing can result from being exposed to airborne dust/particles caused from cut or broken tiles. Lung disorders such as Silicosis, Pulmonary Fibrosis, COPD, and other lung disorders can result from repeated inhalation of airborne dust/particles exceeding the OSHA PEL. These conditions can result in constant difficulty breathing as well as worsening of other health issues.

IMMEDIATE EFFECTS: If exposed to airborne dust/particles: eye irritation, skin drying and irritation, and respiratory tract irritation.

CHRONIC EFFECTS: Inhalation of airborne dust/particles multiple times can cause delayed health effects. Possible conditions are: Silicosis, Pulmonary Fibrosis, COPD, Cancer of the lungs, and worsening of kidney, heart, and other organ conditions.

Cancer. The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) concluded that there was "sufficient evidence" in humans for the carcinogenicity of crystalline silica in the forms of quartz or cristobalite from occupational sources. The overall IARC evaluation was that "crystalline silica inhaled in the form of quartz or cristobalite from occupational sources is carcinogenic to humans (Group 1). The IARC evaluation noted that carcinogenicity was not detected in all industrial circumstances. The National Toxicology Program (NTP) classifies respirable crystalline silica as Known to be a Human Carcinogen.

Section 11 – Toxicological Information (Cont')						
CARCINOGENICITY:	NTP: Known Carcinogen	to be Human	IA	IARC: Group I		OSHA: Potential
LD50/LC50: None	Mutagenicity	r: None	N	Neurotoxicity: None		Reproductive Effects: None
Section	n 12 – Ec	ological Inf	or	mation (Non-	-mano	datory)
ECOTOXICITY: None known		BIO ACCUMUL	ATI	VE POTENTIAL:		
	None Known OTHER ADVERSE EFFECTS (such as bazardous to the ozone layer): No					ADVERSE EFFECTS (such as bus to the ozone layer): None
PERSISTENCE AND DEGRADABILITY: None known		MOBILITY IN SOIL: No test data available		known		
Section	n 13 – Dis	posal Consi	de	erations (Non	-man	datory)
WASTE DISPOSAL OF SUBSTAN with federal, state, and local re		uld be disposed of	in a	a landfill certified to	accept su	ich materials in accordance
CONTAINER DISPOSAL: Dispose	e of in accordar	nce with federal, s	tate	e and local regulatior	ıs.	
RCRA: None listed						
Sectio	n 14 – Tra	ansport Info	orr	mation (Non-	mand	latory)
	DOT,	IATA, IMO/IMDG S	SHIP	PPING INFORMATION	J	
UN Identification Number: Not	applicable			Proper Shipping Name: Not applicable		
Hazard Class: Not applicable				Secondary Risk: Not applicable		
Packing Group: Not applicable				Label(s) Required: Not applicable		
Environmental Hazards: None				Transport in Bulk: None (per Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and IBC)		
Section 15 – Regulatory Information (Non-mandatory)						
U.S. SARA REPORTING REQUIREMENTS: The components of this mixture are not subject to the reporting requirements of Sections 302, 304 and 313 of Title II of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act.						
Chemical Name	SARA 302		SA	ARA 304		SARA 313
None apply	(40 CFR 355, N/A	Appendix A)	-	10 CFR 355, Table 302 /A	2.4)	(40 CFR 372.65) N/A
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U.S. SARA THRESHOLD PLANNING QUANTITY: There are no specific Threshold Planning Quantities for the components of this product. The default Federal SDS submission and inventory requirement filing threshold of 10,000 lbs (4,540 kg) therefore applies, per 40 CFR 370.20						
U.S. CERCLA REPORTABLE QUANTITY (RQ): None						
U.S. TSCA INVENTORY STATUS: Crystalline Silica (quartz) CAS# 14808-60-7; Sodium Carbonate CAS# 497-19-8; Calcium Carbonate CAS# 471-34-1; Feldspar CAS# 68476-25-5; Biotite CAS# 12001-26-2; and Iron Oxide CAS# 1345-25-1 are listed on the TSCA inventory.						
TSCA SIGNIFICANT NEW USE RULE: None of the chemicals in this mixture have a SNUR under TSCA.						
OTHER U.S. FEDERAL REGULATIONS: Not applicable						
CLEAN AIR ACT: This material does not contain any hazardous air pollutants This material does not contain any Class 1 Ozone depletors This material does not contain any Class 2 Ozone depletors						
CLEAN WATER ACT: None of the chemicals in this mixture are listed as Hazardous Substances under the CWA, Priority Pollutants under the CWA. or Toxic Pollutants under the CWA.						

# Section 15 – Regulatory Information (Non-mandatory) (Cont')

CALIFORNIA SAFE DRINKING WATER AND TOXIC ENFORCEMENT ACT (PROPOSITION 65): This product contains a chemical, crystalline silica (airborne particles of respirable size), classified as a substance known to the state of California to be a carcinogen.

California No Significant Risk Level: None of the chemicals in this product are listed.

California Inhalation Reference Exposure Level (REL): California established a chronic REL of 3 ug for silica (crystalline, respirable). A chronic REL is an airborne level of a substance at or below which no adverse health effects are anticipated in individuals indefinitely exposed to the substance at that level.

OTHER STATE SPECIFIC REGULATIONS:

Massachusetts Toxic Use Reduction Act: Silica, crystalline (respirable size, <10 microns) is "toxic" for purposes of the Massachusetts Toxic Use Reduction Act.

Pennsylvania Worker and Community Right to Know Act: Quartz is a hazardous substance under the act, but it is not a special hazardous substance or an environmental hazardous substance.

\* This product may contain trace amounts of: Iron CAS# 7439-89-6; Cadmium CAS# 7440-43-9; Lead CAS# 7439-92-1; Manganese CAS# 7439-96-5; Strontium CAS# 7440-24-6; Zirconium CAS# 7440-67-7; Barium CAS# 7440-39-3; Niobium CAS# 7440-03-1; and Phosphorus Pentoxide CAS# 1314-56-3. All amounts are below the minimum for any reporting requirements. \*

Section 16 – Other Information					
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