# **SAFETY DATA SHEET**

## **CHINA CLAY ULTRAFINE**

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## **1. IDENTIFICATION**

**GHS Product Identifier** CHINA CLAY ULTRAFINE

Product Code ACHIN10002

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**Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use** Used in pottery and ceramics

## 2. HAZARD IDENTIFICATION

#### GHS classification of the substance/mixture

Classified as Hazardous according to the Hazardous Substances (Minimum Degrees of Hazard) Regulations 2001, New Zealand. Not classified as Dangerous Goods for transport according to the New Zealand Standard NZS 5433:2012 Transport of Dangerous Goods on Land.

6.7A Substance that is known or presumed to be a human carcinogen

Signal Word (s) DANGER

Hazard Statement (s) H350 May cause cancer.

Pictogram (s) Health hazard



Precautionary statement – Prevention P103 Read label before use. P201 Obtain special instructions before use.

P202 Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.

P281 Use personal protective equipment as required.

#### **Precautionary statement – Response**

P308+P313 IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention.

## **Precautionary statement – Storage**

P405 Store locked up.

#### Precautionary statement – Disposal

P501 In the case of a substance that is in compliance with a HSNO approval other than a Part 6A (Group Standards) approval, a label must provide a description of one or more appropriate and achievable methods for the disposal of a substance in accordance with the Hazardous Substances (Disposal) Regulations 2001. This may also include any method of disposal that must be avoided. See Section 13 of the SDS for disposal details.

## **3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

#### Ingredients

Name	CAS	Proportion
Quartz [Silica Crystalline]	14808-60-7	0-<1 %
Ingredients determined not to be hazardous, including water		Balance

## **4. FIRST-AID MEASURES**

#### Inhalation

If inhaled, remove affected person from contaminated area. Apply artificial respiration if not breathing. Seek medical attention.

#### Ingestion

Do not induce vomiting. Wash out mouth thoroughly with water. Seek medical attention.

#### Skin

Wash affected area thoroughly with soap and water. If symptoms develop seek medical attention.

#### Eye contact

If in eyes, hold eyelids apart and flush the eyes continuously with running water. Remove contact lenses. Continue flushing for several minutes until all contaminants are washed out completely. If symptoms develop and/or persist seek medical attention.

#### **First Aid Facilities**

Eyewash and normal washroom facilities.

#### Advice to Doctor

Treat symptomatically.

#### **Other Information**

For advice in an emergency, contact a Poisons Information Centre or a doctor at once. (0800 764 766)

## **5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES**

#### Suitable Extinguishing Media

Use appropriate fire extinguisher for surrounding environment.

#### **Hazards from Combustion Products**

Non combustible material.

#### **Specific Hazards Arising From The Chemical**

This product is non combustible. However heating can cause expansion or decomposition leading to violent rupture of containers.

## Decomposition Temperature

Not available

#### Precautions in connection with Fire

Fire fighters should wear Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) operated in positive pressure mode and full protective clothing to prevent exposure to vapours or fumes. Water spray may be used to cool down heat-exposed containers. Fight fire from safe location. This product should be prevented from entering drains and watercourses.

## **6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

#### **Emergency Procedures**

Increase ventilation. Evacuate all unprotected personnel. Wear sufficient respiratory protection and full protective clothing to prevent exposure. Sweep up material avoiding dust generation or dampen spilled material with water to avoid airborne dust, then transfer material to a suitable container. Wash surfaces well with soap and water. Seal all wastes in labelled containers for subsequent recycling or disposal. Dispose of waste according to the applicable local and national regulations. If contamination of sewers or waterways occurs inform the local water and waste management authorities in accordance with local regulations.

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

#### **Precautions for Safe Handling**

Avoid inhalation of dust, and skin or eye contact. Use only in a well ventilated area. Keep containers sealed when not in use. Prevent the build up of dust in the work atmosphere. Maintain high standards of personal hygiene i.e. washing hands prior to eating, drinking, smoking or using toilet facilities.

#### Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area, out of direct sunlight and moisture. Store in suitable, labelled containers. Keep containers tightly closed. Store away from incompatible materials. Ensure that storage conditions comply with applicable local and national regulations.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

#### **Occupational exposure limit values**

Substance	Regulations	Exposure Duration	Exposure Limit	Units	Notes
Quartz [Silica Crystalline]	NZ OELs List	TWA	0.2	mg/m3	(respirable dust)

#### **Biological Limit Values**

No biological limits allocated.

## Appropriate Engineering Controls

This substance is hazardous and should be used with a local exhaust ventilation system, drawing solid/dust away from workers' breathing zone. If the engineering controls are not sufficient to maintain concentrations of particulates below the exposure standards, suitable respiratory protection must be worn.

#### **Respiratory Protection**

If engineering controls are not effective in controlling airborne exposure then an approved respirator with a replaceable dust/ particulate filter should be used. Refer to relevant regulations for further information concerning respiratory protective requirements.

Reference should be made to Australian Standards AS/NZS 1715, Selection, Use and Maintenance of Respiratory Protective Devices; and AS/NZS 1716, Respiratory Protective Devices, in order to make any necessary changes for individual circumstances.

#### **Eye Protection**

Safety glasses with side shields, chemical goggles or full-face shield as appropriate should be used. Final choice of appropriate eye/ face protection will vary according to individual circumstances. Eye protection devices should conform to relevant regulations. Eye protection should conform with Australian/New Zealand Standard AS/NZS 1337 - Eye Protectors for Industrial Applications.

#### **Hand Protection**

Wear gloves of impervious material . Final choice of appropriate gloves will vary according to individual circumstances i.e. methods of handling or according to risk assessments undertaken. Occupational protective gloves should conform to relevant regulations. Reference should be made to AS/NZS 2161.1: Occupational protective gloves - Selection, use and maintenance.

#### **Body Protection**

Suitable protective workwear, e.g. cotton overalls buttoned at neck and wrist is recommended. Chemical resistant apron is recommended where large quantities are handled.

Form Solid

Appearance

White powder, pellets or lumps

**Colour** White

**Odour** Odourless

**Decomposition Temperature** Not available

Melting Point 1770°C

**Boiling Point** Not available

**Solubility in Water** Insoluble in water. Dispersion in water.

Specific Gravity 2.64

**pH** Not available

Vapour Pressure Not available

Vapour Density (Air=1) Not available

**Evaporation Rate** Not available

**Odour Threshold** Not available

Viscosity Refer to Section 9: Kinematic Viscosity and Dynamic Viscosity

Partition Coefficient: n-octanol/water Not available

Flash Point Not applicable

Flammability Non combustible material.

Auto-Ignition Temperature Not applicable

**Explosion Limit - Upper** Not applicable

**Explosion Limit - Lower** Not applicable

Kinematic Viscosity Not available

**Dynamic Viscosity** Not available

## **10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

#### Reactivity

Refer to Section 10: Possibility of hazardous reactions

**Chemical Stability** Stable under normal conditions of storage and handling.

**Conditions to Avoid** Dusty conditions

**Incompatible materials** Not available

## Hazardous Decomposition Products

Thermal decomposition may result in the release of toxic and/or irritating fumes

**Possibility of hazardous reactions** Not available

Hazardous Polymerization Will not occur.

## **11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

#### **Toxicology Information**

No toxicity data available for this material.

#### Ingestion

Ingestion of this product may irritate the gastric tract causing nausea and vomiting.

#### Inhalation

Repeated exposure to respirable crystalline silica dust may lead to silicosis, or other serious delayed lung injury. The onset of silicosis is usually slow and lung damage may occur even when no symptoms or signs of ill-health have occurred. Silicosis can develop to a more serious degree even after exposure has ceased, and may also lead to other diseases including heart disease and scleroderma. Exposure by inhalation may aggravate pre-existing upper respiratory and lung disorders such as bronchitis, emphysaema and asthma.

#### Skin

Skin contact may cause mechanical irritation resulting in redness and itching.

#### Eye

Eye contact may cause mechanical irritation. May result in mild abrasion.

#### **Respiratory sensitisation**

Not expected to be a respiratory sensitiser.

#### **Skin Sensitisation**

Not expected to be a skin sensitiser.

#### Germ cell mutagenicity

Not considered to be a mutagenic hazard.

#### Carcinogenicity

May cause cancer by inhalation. Classified as a known or presumed human carcinogen. Crystalline Silica (respirable size <= 7  $\mu$ m) has been classified by the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) as Carcinogenic to Humans (Group 1).

#### **Reproductive Toxicity**

Not considered to be toxic to reproduction.

#### STOT-single exposure

Not expected to cause toxicity to a specific target organ.

#### STOT-repeated exposure

Not expected to cause toxicity to a specific target organ.

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#### Aspiration Hazard

Not expected to be an aspiration hazard.

## **12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

#### Ecotoxicity

No ecological data available for this material.

Persistence and degradability Not available

Mobility Not available

**Bioaccumulative Potential** Not available

**Other Adverse Effects** Not available

#### **Environmental Protection**

Prevent this material entering waterways, drains and sewers.

## **13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

#### **Disposal considerations**

The disposal of the spilled or waste material must be done in accordance with applicable local and national regulations. Product Disposal:

Product wastes are controlled wastes and should be disposed of in accordance with all applicable local and national regulations. This product can be disposed through a licensed commercial waste collection service. The product should be rendered non-hazardous before being sent to a licensed landfill facility. Personal protective clothing and equipment as specified in Section 8 of this SDS must be worn during handling and disposal of this product. The ventilation requirements as specified in the same section must also be followed, and the precautions given in Section 7 of this SDS regarding handling must also be followed. Do not dispose into the sewerage system. Do not discharge into drains or watercourses or dispose where ground or surface waters may be affected. In New Zealand, the disposal agency or contractor must comply with the New Zealand Hazardous Substances (Disposal) Regulations 2001. Further details regarding disposal can be obtained on the EPA New Zealand website under specific group standards.

#### Container Disposal:

The container or packaging must be cleaned and rendered incapable of holding any substance. It can then be disposed of in a manner consistent with that of the substance it contained. In this instance the packaging can be disposed through a commercial waste collection service. Alternatively, the container or packaging can be recycled if the hazardous residues have been thoroughly cleaned or rendered non-hazardous. In New Zealand, the packaging (that may or may not hold any residual substance) that is lawfully disposed of by householders or other consumers through a public or commercial waste collection service is a means of compliance with regulations.

## **14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

#### **Transport Information**

Not classified as Dangerous Goods for transport according to the New Zealand Standard NZS 5433:2012 Transport of Dangerous Goods on Land.

Not classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the International Air Transport Association (IATA) Dangerous Goods Regulations for transport by air.

Not classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG Code) for transport by sea.

#### **Packing Group**

None Allocated

U.N. Number None Allocated

UN proper shipping name None Allocated

Transport hazard class(es) None Allocated

Packing Group None Allocated

UN Number (Air Transport, ICAO) None Allocated

IATA/ICAO Proper Shipping Name Not dangerous for conveyance under IATA code

IATA/ICAO Hazard Class None Allocated

IATA/ICAO Packing Group None Allocated

IMDG UN No None Allocated

IMDG Proper Shipping Name Not dangerous for conveyance under IMO/IMDG code

IMDG Hazard Class None Allocated

IMDG Pack. Group None Allocated

IMDG Marine pollutant No

Transport in Bulk Not available

Special Precautions for User Not available

## **15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

#### **Regulatory information**

Classified as Hazardous according to the Hazardous Substances (Minimum Degrees of Hazard) Regulations 2001, New Zealand. Group Standard: Additives, Process Chemicals and Raw Materials (Toxic [6.7]) Group Standard 2006.

HSNO Approval Number

HSR002512

## **16. OTHER INFORMATION**

**Date of preparation or last revision of SDS** SDS Reviewed: August 2013, Supersedes: September 2008

#### References

Workplace Exposure Standards and Biological Exposure Indices, Department of Labour, Health & Safety. Transport of Dangerous goods on land NZS 5433. Preparation of Safety Data Sheets - Approved Code of Practice Under the HSNO Act 1996 (HSNO CoP 8-1 09-06). Assigning a hazardous substance to a group standard. American Conference of Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH)

#### **Contact Person/Point**

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