

## 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

### 1.1. Product Identifier

**Product Name** Building/Quarry Sands

**Synonyms** Brickies Sand, Concrete Sand, Plastering Sand, White Sand, Kiln Dried Sand, Washed Sand

### 1.2. Uses and uses advised against

**Uses** Construction material. Sand.

### 1.3. Details of the supplier of the product

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### 1.4. Emergency telephone numbers

Emergency 0408 004 184

## 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### 2.1. Classification of the Substance or Mixture

CLASSIFIED AS HAZARDOUS ACCORDING TO SAFE WORK AUSTRALIA CRITERIA

The hazard information provided in this Safety Data Sheet applies to the dust on the product or that is created when the product is processed, some of which may be respirable (particles small enough to go into parts of the lung when breathed in). The dust may also contain a proportion of crystalline silica.

**GHS Classifications** Specific Target Organ Toxicity (Repeated Exposure): Category 2

### 2.2. GHS Label Elements

**Signal Word** WARNING

**Pictograms**



**Hazard Statements**

H373 May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure. (Applies to dust.)

**Prevention Statements**

P260 Do not breathe dust.

**Response Statements**

P314 Get medical advice/attention if you feel unwell.  
 P304 + P340 IF INHALED: Remove to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.  
 P305 + P351 + P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

**Storage Statements**

P402 + P404 Store in a dry place. Store in a closed container.

**Disposal Statements**

P501 Dispose of contents/container in accordance with relevant regulations.

## 2.3. Other Hazards

The solid product as supplied is classified as non-hazardous.

Dust in/on the supplied product or created when the product is cut, abraded, or crushed may contain crystalline silica, some of which may be respirable (particles small enough to go into the deep parts of the lung when breathed in). A proportion of the fine dust in/on the supplied product may be respirable Crystalline Silica.

## 3. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

### 3.1. Substances / Mixtures

Ingredient	CAS Number	EC Number	Content / Proportion
QUARTZ (CRYSTALLINE SILICA) (SAND)	14808-60-7	238-878-4	100%

Ingredient Notes: 1. Depending upon the source material, may contain varying amounts of respirable quartz (crystalline silica).

## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

### 4.1. Description of First Aid Measures

<b>Eye</b>	If in eyes, hold eyelids apart and flush continuously with running water. Continue flushing until advised to stop by a Poisons Information Centre, a doctor, or for at least 15 minutes.
<b>Inhalation</b>	If inhaled, remove from contaminated area. Have a qualified person give oxygen through a face mask if breathing is difficult. Apply artificial respiration if not breathing.
<b>Skin</b>	If skin or hair contact occurs, remove heavily contaminated clothing. Wash skin thoroughly with water. Use a mild soap if available. Shower if necessary. Seek medical attention for persistent redness, irritation or burning of the skin.
<b>Ingestion</b>	For advice, contact a Poisons Information Centre on 13 11 26 (Australia Wide) or a doctor (at once). Due to product form and application, ingestion is considered unlikely.
<b>First Aid Facilities</b>	Eye wash facilities should be available.

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

Irritating to the eyes, skin and respiratory system. Chronic over exposure to silica quartz dust may result in silicosis (lung disease). Principal symptoms of silicosis are coughing and breathlessness. Crystalline silica is classified as carcinogenic to humans (IARC Group 1).

### 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

No fire or explosion hazard exists.

### 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**

Dust is best cleaned up by vacuum device to avoid making dust airborne. Wetting down before sweeping up dust may be a useful control measure. Contain spillage, then collect and place in suitable containers for reuse or disposal. Avoid generating dust.

**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**

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 moisture, incompatible substances and foodstuffs. Ensure packages are adequately labelled, protected from physical damage and sealed when not in use.

**7.3. Specific end uses**

No information provided.

### 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

**8.1. Control parameters**

**Exposure standards**

Ingredient	Reference	TWA		STEL	
		ppm	mg/m <sup>3</sup>	ppm	mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Quartz (respirable dust)	SWA (AUS)	--	0.05	--	--

**Biological limits** No biological limit values have been entered for this product.

**8.2. Exposure controls**

**Engineering controls** Avoid inhalation. Use in well ventilated areas. Where an inhalation risk exists, mechanical extraction ventilation is recommended. Maintain dust levels below the recommended exposure standard. Wet where possible.

**PPE**

- Eye / Face** Wear safety glasses or dust-proof goggles when handling the material. (Contact lenses pose a hazard.) Eyewash unit should be present to flush eyes in the event of contamination.
- Hands** Wear PVC or rubber or cotton gloves.
- Body** When using large quantities or where heavy contamination is likely, wear long sleeved shirt and full length trousers, or coveralls.
- Respiratory** Where an inhalation risk exists, wear a Class P1 (Particulate) respirator, dependent on site specific risk assessment.



### 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

#### 9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance	COLOURED GRANULAR SOLID
Odour	ODOURLESS
Flammability	NON FLAMMABLE
Flash point	NOT RELEVANT
Boiling point	NOT AVAILABLE
Melting point	NOT AVAILABLE
Evaporation rate	NOT AVAILABLE
pH	7 (Approximately)
Vapour density	NOT AVAILABLE
Specific gravity	2.0 to 3.0
Solubility (water)	INSOLUBLE
Vapour pressure	NOT AVAILABLE
Upper explosion limit	NOT RELEVANT
Lower explosion limit	NOT RELEVANT
Partition coefficient	NOT AVAILABLE
Autoignition temperature	NOT AVAILABLE
Decomposition temperature	NOT AVAILABLE
Viscosity	NOT AVAILABLE
Explosive properties	NOT EXPLOSIVE
Oxidising properties	NOT AVAILABLE
Odour threshold	NOT AVAILABLE

### 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

#### 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

Dust generation.

#### 10.5. Incompatible materials

Incompatible with strong acids (e.g. hydrochloric acid).

#### 10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

May evolve silicon oxides if heated to decomposition.

### 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

#### 11.1. Information on toxicological effects

<b>Acute toxicity</b>	No known toxicity data is available for this product. Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met. This product is expected to be of low acute toxicity. Under normal conditions of use, adverse health effects are not anticipated.
<b>Skin</b>	Contact may result in mechanical irritation, redness, rash and dermatitis.
<b>Eye</b>	Contact may result in mechanical irritation, lacrimation, pain, and redness.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Dust is irritating to upper respiratory tract and lungs. Over exposure to respirable dust may cause coughing, wheezing and irritation to the nasal passages.

<b>Ingestion</b>	Due to product form and application, ingestion is considered unlikely. Mildly abrasive to the mouth and throat if swallowed.
<b>Sensitisation</b>	Not classified as causing respiratory sensitisation.
<b>Mutagenicity</b>	Insufficient data available to classify as a mutagen.
<b>Carcinogenicity</b>	Dust in/on the supplied product or created when the product is cut, abraded or crushed may contain trace amounts of 'respirable' crystalline silica which is classified as carcinogenic to humans (IARC Group 1). However, there is sufficient information to conclude that the relative risk of lung cancer from exposure to crystalline silica is increased in persons with silicosis. Therefore, preventing the onset of silicosis will also reduce the cancer risk.
<b>Reproductive</b>	Insufficient data available to classify as a reproductive toxin.
<b>STOT – single exposure</b>	Not classified as causing organ damage from single exposure.
<b>STOT – repeated exposure</b>	Not classified as causing organ damage from repeated exposure. Repeated exposure to Crystalline Silica may cause lung fibrosis (silicosis), however due to the low levels of respirable crystalline silica in this product, adverse health effects are not anticipated with normal use.
<b>Aspiration</b>	This product is a solid and aspiration hazards are not expected to occur.

## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 12.1. Toxicity

The main component/s of this product are not anticipated to cause any adverse effects to the environment.

### 12.2. Persistence and degradability

Product is persistent and non-degradable.

### 12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

This product is not expected to bioaccumulate.

### 12.4. Mobility in soil

Low mobility would be expected in a landfill situation.

### 12.5. Other adverse effects

Avoid contamination of drains and waterways.

## 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

### 13.1. Waste treatment methods

<b>Waste disposal</b>	Reuse or recycle where possible. Alternatively, ensure product is covered with moist soil to prevent dust generation and dispose of to an approved landfill site. Contact the manufacturer/supplier for additional information (if required).
<b>Legislation</b>	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)
<b>14.1. <u>UN Number</u></b>	None allocated.	None allocated.	None allocated.
<b>14.2. <u>Proper Shipping Name</u></b>	None allocated.	None allocated.	None allocated.
<b>14.3. <u>Transport Hazard Class</u></b>	None allocated.	None allocated.	None allocated.
<b>14.4. <u>Packing Group</u></b>	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

<b>Poison schedule</b>	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).	
<b>Classifications</b>	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)].	
<b>Hazard codes</b>	None allocated.	
<b>Risk phrases</b>	R20	Harmful by Inhalation (Applies to dust)
<b>Safety phrases</b>	S22	Do not breathe dust.
	S25	Avoid contact with eyes.
	S26	In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.
	S36/S37/39	Wear suitable protective clothing, gloves and eye/face protection.
	S45	In case of accident or if you feel unwell seek medical advice immediately (show the label where possible).
<b>Inventory listings</b>	<b>AUSTRALIA: AICS (Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances)</b> All components are listed on AICS, or are exempt.	

## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

<b>Additional Information</b>	<p><b>PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT GUIDELINES:</b> 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.</p> <p><b>HEALTH EFFECTS FROM EXPOSURE:</b> 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.</p>	
<b>Abbreviations</b>	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/m <sup>3</sup>	Milligrams per Cubic Metre
	OEL	Occupational Exposure Limit
	pH	relates to hydrogen ion concentration using a scale of 0 (highly 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

**Report status**

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