



Safety Data Sheet

Section 01 Identification

Product Identifier	Bentonite, Premium Gel
Other Means of Identification	Smectite Bentonite Bentonite, Sodian Bentonite, Calcian Sodium-activated Bentonite
Product Use and Restrictions on Use	For commercial and industrial use.
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Section 02 Hazard Identification

GHS-Classification

This product has been assessed in accordance with the Hazardous Products Regulations and is not classified as a hazardous substance or mixture.

Hazards Not Otherwise Classified

Not available

Supplemental Information

Not available

Section 03 Composition / Information on Ingredients

Ingredients:

Chemical name	Common name(s)	CAS number	Concentration (w/w%)
Bentonite	Bentonite	1302-78-9	100%

Section 04 First-Aid Measures

Description of necessary first-aid measures

Inhalation	Get medical advice / attention if you feel unwell or are concerned.
Ingestion	Get medical advice / attention if you feel unwell or are concerned.
Skin contact	If skin irritation occurs or if you feel unwell: Get medical advice / attention.
Eye contact	Gently brush product off face. Do not rub eyes. Let the eyes water naturally for a few minutes. Look right and left, then up and down. If particle / dust does not come out, cautiously rinse eye with lukewarm gently flowing water for 5 minutes or until particle / dust is removed, while holding the eyelids open. If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice / attention. Do not attempt to manually remove anything from the eyes.

Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Inhalation	May cause respiratory irritation.
Ingestion	May cause discomfort or nausea.
Skin contact	Not available
Eye contact	May cause eye irritation and redness.
Further information	For further information see Section 11 Toxicological Information.

Section 05 Fire Fighting Measures

Suitable extinguishing media	Extinguish fire using extinguishing agents suitable for the surrounding fire.
Unsuitable extinguishing media	Water jets are not recommended in fires involving chemicals.
Specific hazards arising from the chemical	Not available
Special protective equipment for fire-fighters	Wear NIOSH-approved self-contained breathing apparatus and protective clothing.

Section 06 Accidental Release Measures

Personal Precautions / Protective Equipment / Emergency Procedures	Wear appropriate personal protective equipment (See Section 08 Exposure Controls and Personal Protection). Stay upwind, ventilate area.
Environmental Precautions	Prevent material from entering waterways, sewers or confined spaces. Notify local health and wildlife officials. Notify operators of nearby water intakes.
Methods and Materials for Containment and Cleaning Up	Dry sweeping is not recommended. Pre-dampening the material or use of a vacuum is preferred. Shovel into clean, dry, labeled containers and cover. Flush area with water.

Section 07 Handling and Storage

Precautions for Safe Handling	Use proper equipment for lifting and transporting all containers. Use sensible industrial hygiene and housekeeping practices. Wash thoroughly after handling. Avoid all situations that could lead to harmful exposure. Inspect containers for damage or leaks before handling. If the original label is damaged or missing replace with a workplace label. Have suitable emergency equipment for fires, spills and leaks readily available.
Conditions for Safe Storage	Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area, away from heat sources and incompatible materials. Always store in original labeled container. Keep containers tightly closed when not in use and when empty. Protect label and keep it visible.
Incompatibilities	Not available

Section 08 Exposure Controls and Personal Protection

Exposure limits

Component	Regulation	Type of listing	Value
Nuisance dust (respirable)	OSHA	PEL	5 mg/m ³

Engineering controls

Ventilation Requirements Mechanical ventilation (dilution or local exhaust), process or personnel enclosure and control of process conditions should be provided in accordance with all fire codes and regulatory requirements. Supply sufficient replacement air to make up for air removed by exhaust systems.

Other No specific recommendations beyond the required hygiene facilities at the place of work.

Protective equipment

The following are recommendations only. It is the responsibility of the employer / user to conduct a hazard assessment of the process in which this product being used and determine the proper engineering controls and PPE for their process. Additional regulatory and safety information should be sought from local authorities and, if needed, a professional industrial hygienist.

Eye and face protection Where there is potential eye or face exposure, safety glasses are recommended. Contact lenses are not recommended; they may contribute to severe eye injury.

Hand and body protection Where handling this product it is recommended that skin contact is avoided.

Respiratory protection In case of insufficient ventilation wear suitable respiratory equipment.

Thermal hazards Not available

Section 09 Physical and Chemical Properties

Appearance

Physical state Solid
Colour Not available
Odour Odourless
Odour threshold Not applicable

Property

pH 8.5-11.0
Melting point / freezing point Not available
Initial boiling point and boiling range Not available
Flash point Not applicable
Evaporation rate Not available
Flammability
Upper flammable limit Not available
Lower flammable limit Not available
Vapour pressure Not available
Vapour density Not available
Relative density 2.6 g/cm³ (Bulk: 0.9-1.4 g/cm³)
Solubility <0.9 mg/L in water
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water Not available
Auto-ignition temperature Not available
Decomposition temperature >500 °C
Viscosity Not applicable
Specific gravity Not applicable
Particle characteristics Particle size: >65% <74 micron
Particle shape: Powder

Section 10 Stability and Reactivity

Reactivity	Not available
Stability	This product is stable if stored according to the recommendations in Section 07.
Possibility of hazardous reactions	Hazardous polymerization is not known to occur.
Conditions to avoid	Avoid contact with incompatible materials.
Incompatible materials	Not available
Hazardous decomposition products	Not available

Section 11 Toxicological Information

Acute Toxicity (LD50 / LC50 values)

Component	Route	Species	Value	Exposure time
Bentonite	Oral	Rat	>2000 mg/kg bw	
	Inhalation	Rat	>5.27 mg/L	4 hours

Toxic Health Effect Summary

Chemical characteristics	No known effects
Skin	Not available
Ingestion	May cause discomfort or nausea.
Inhalation	May cause respiratory irritation.
Eye contact	May cause eye irritation and redness.
Sensitization	This product and its components at their listed concentration have no known sensitizing effects.
Mutagenicity	This product and its components at their listed concentration have no known mutagenic effects.
Carcinogenicity	This product and its components at their listed concentration have no known carcinogenic effects.
Reproductive toxicity	This product and its components at their listed concentration have no known reproductive effects.
Specific organ toxicity	This product and its components at their listed concentration have no known effects on specific organs.
Aspiration hazard	Not available
Synergistic materials	Not available

Section 12 Ecological Information

Ecotoxicity

Component	Type	Species	Value	Exposure Time
Bentonite	LC50	Fish	16,000 mg/L	96 hours
	EC50	Aquatic invertebrates	>100 mg/L	48 hours

Biodegradability	The domestic substance list categorizes bentonite as persistent.
Bioaccumulation	The domestic substance list categorizes bentonite as non-bioaccumulative.

Mobility	This product is water soluble, is not predicted to adsorb to soil and may contaminate ground water.
Other adverse effects	Not available

Section 13 Disposal Considerations

Waste From Residues / Unused Products	Dispose in accordance with all federal, provincial, and local regulations including the Canadian Environmental Protection Act.
Contaminated Packaging	Do not remove label, follow label warnings even after the container is empty. Empty containers should be recycled or disposed of at an approved waste handling facility.

Section 14 Transport Information

UN number	This product does not meet the definition of dangerous goods per Part 2 of Transport of Dangerous Goods Regulations
UN proper shipping name and description	Not available
Transport hazard class(es)	Not available
Packing group	Not available
Excepted quantities	Not available
Environmental hazards	Not listed as a marine pollutant under Canadian TDG Regulations, schedule III.
Special precautions	No special precautions
Transport in bulk	ERAP index: not available
Additional information	MARPOL 73/78 and IBC Code: This product is not listed in Chapter 17 of the IBC Code. Secure containers (full or empty) during shipment and ensure all caps, valves, or closures are secured in the closed position.

TDG PRODUCT CLASSIFICATION: This product has been classified on the preparation date specified at section 16 of this SDS, for transportation in accordance with the requirements of part 2 of the Transportation of Dangerous Goods Regulations. If applicable, testing and published test data regarding the classification of this product are listed in the references at section 16 of this SDS.

Section 15 Regulatory Information.

NOTE: THE PRODUCT LISTED ON THIS SAFETY DATA SHEET HAS BEEN CLASSIFIED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE HAZARD CRITERIA OF THE CANADIAN HAZARDOUS PRODUCTS REGULATIONS. THIS SAFETY DATA SHEET CONTAINS ALL INFORMATION REQUIRED BY THOSE REGULATIONS.

All components of this product appear on the domestic substance list.

Section 16 Other Information

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Note: The responsibility to provide a safe workplace remains with the buyer / user. The buyer / user should consider the health hazards and safety information contained herein as a guide and should take those precautions required in an individual operation to instruct employees and develop work practice procedures for a safe work environment. The information contained herein is, to the best of our knowledge and belief, accurate. However, since the conditions of handling and use are beyond our control, we make no guarantee of results, and assume no liability for damages incurred by the use of this material. It is the responsibility of the buyer / user to comply with all applicable laws and regulations regarding handling, using, reselling and shipping this product.

Attention: Receiver of the chemical goods / SDS coordinator

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References:

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- 2) *WorkSafe BC E-Limit*; Workers' Compensation Board of British Columbia, <https://elimit.online.worksafebc.com/>
- 3) *ECHA - Registered Substance Dossier*; European Chemicals Agency, <https://echa.europa.eu/information-on-chemicals/registered-substances>
- 4) *Transportation of Dangerous Goods Regulations*; Transport Canada, <https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/regulations/SOR-2001-286/index.html>
- 5) Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labeling of Chemicals (GHS) *Seventh revised edition*
- 6) International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk (IBC Code) 2007 Edition
- 7) The ACS Style Guide