

# Safety Data Sheet



## 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

**Product Name:** **MAGNESIUM HYDROXIDE LIQUID**

**Other name(s):** MHL \* MHS \* MHS 60 \* Magnesium hydroxide slurry \* EMAG slurry \* EMAGMHS \* EMAGMHS 60

**Recommended Use of the Chemical and Restrictions on Use** Water and waste water treatment.

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Please ensure you refer to the limitations of this Safety Data Sheet as set out in the "Other Information" section at the end of this Data Sheet.

## 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Not classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the Australian Dangerous Goods Code (ADG Code) for transport by Road and Rail; NON-DANGEROUS GOODS.

This material is hazardous according to Safe Work Australia; HAZARDOUS CHEMICAL.

**SIGNAL WORD:** WARNING



**Hazard Statement(s):**  
H319 Causes serious eye irritation.

**Precautionary Statement(s):**

**Prevention:**  
P264 Wash hands thoroughly after handling.  
P280 Wear eye protection.

**Response:**  
P305+P351+P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.  
P337+P313 If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.

**Storage:**  
No storage statements.

**Disposal:**  
No disposal statements.

**Poisons Schedule (SUSMP):** None allocated.

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## 3. COMPOSITION AND INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Components	CAS Number	Proportion	Hazard Codes
Magnesium hydroxide	1309-42-8	>60%	-
Water	7732-18-5	30-60%	-
Calcium hydroxide	1305-62-0	<3%	H315 H318 H335
Crystalline silica (Quartz)	14808-60-7	<1%	H350 H372

## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

For advice, contact a Poisons Information Centre (e.g. phone Australia 131 126; New Zealand 0800 764 766) or a doctor.

### Inhalation:

Remove victim from area of exposure - avoid becoming a casualty. Remove contaminated clothing and loosen remaining clothing. Allow patient to assume most comfortable position and keep warm. Keep at rest until fully recovered. Seek medical advice if effects persist.

### Skin Contact:

If skin contact occurs, remove contaminated clothing and wash skin with running water. If irritation occurs seek medical advice.

### Eye Contact:

If in eyes, hold eyelids apart and flush the eye continuously with running water. Continue flushing until advised to stop by a Poisons Information Centre or a doctor, or for at least 15 minutes.

### Ingestion:

Rinse mouth with water. If swallowed, give a glass of water to drink. If vomiting occurs give further water. Seek medical advice.

### Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed:

Treat symptomatically.

## 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

### Suitable Extinguishing Media:

Not combustible, however, if material is involved in a fire use: Extinguishing media appropriate to surrounding fire conditions.

### Specific hazards arising from the chemical:

Non-combustible material.

### Special protective equipment and precautions for fire-fighters:

Non-combustible material. Magnesium hydroxide is a commonly used flame retardant and would normally be expected to suppress the heat of a surrounding fire.

## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

### Emergency procedures/Environmental precautions:

Clear area of all unprotected personnel. Wear protective equipment to prevent skin and eye contact and inhalation of vapours/dusts. Slippery when spilt. Avoid accidents, clean up immediately.

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## Personal precautions/Protective equipment/Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up:

Work up wind or increase ventilation. Contain - do not allow material to enter waterways. Use absorbent (soil, sand or other inert material). Collect and seal in properly labelled containers or drums for disposal.

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

### Precautions for safe handling:

Avoid eye contact and repeated or prolonged skin contact. Wash hands thoroughly after handling.

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

Store in a cool, dry, well ventilated place. Store away from incompatible materials described in Section 10. Keep containers closed when not in use - check regularly for leaks.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

**Control Parameters:** No value assigned for this specific material by Safe Work Australia. However, Workplace Exposure Standard(s) for constituent(s):

Calcium hydroxide: 8hr TWA = 5 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

Silica Crystalline - Quartz (respirable dust): 8hr TWA = 0.1 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

As published by Safe Work Australia Workplace Exposure Standards for Airborne Contaminants.

TWA - The time-weighted average airborne concentration of a particular substance when calculated over an eight-hour working day, for a five-day working week.

These Workplace Exposure Standards are guides to be used in the control of occupational health hazards. All atmospheric contamination should be kept to as low a level as is workable. These workplace exposure standards should not be used as fine dividing lines between safe and dangerous concentrations of chemicals. They are not a measure of relative toxicity.

### Appropriate engineering controls:

Ensure ventilation is adequate and that air concentrations of components are controlled below quoted Workplace Exposure Standards. Keep containers closed when not in use.

If in the handling and application of this material, safe exposure levels could be exceeded, the use of engineering controls such as local exhaust ventilation must be considered and the results documented. If achieving safe exposure levels does not require engineering controls, then a detailed and documented risk assessment using the relevant Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) (refer to PPE section below) as a basis must be carried out to determine the minimum PPE requirements.

### Individual protection measures, such as Personal Protective Equipment (PPE):

The selection of PPE is dependent on a detailed risk assessment. The risk assessment should consider the work situation, the physical form of the chemical, the handling methods, and environmental factors.

OVERALLS, SAFETY SHOES, CHEMICAL GOGGLES, GLOVES.



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Wear overalls, chemical goggles and impervious gloves. Always wash hands before smoking, eating, drinking or using the toilet. Wash contaminated clothing and other protective equipment before storage or re-use. If determined by a risk assessment an inhalation risk exists, wear a suitable mist respirator meeting the requirements of AS/NZS 1715 and AS/NZS 1716.

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

<b>Physical state:</b>	Liquid
<b>Colour:</b>	Light Grey
<b>Odour:</b>	Earthy
<b>Solubility:</b>	Dispersible in water. Soluble in ammonium salts and dilute acids .
<b>Specific Gravity:</b>	1.5 - 1.6
<b>Relative Vapour Density (air=1):</b>	Not available
<b>Vapour Pressure (20 °C):</b>	Not available
<b>Flash Point (°C):</b>	Not applicable
<b>Flammability Limits (%):</b>	Not applicable
<b>Autoignition Temperature (°C):</b>	Not applicable
<b>% Volatile by Weight:</b>	<40 (water)
<b>Boiling Point/Range (°C):</b>	Not available
<b>Decomposition Point (°C):</b>	350 (decomposes to magnesium oxide)
<b>pH:</b>	10 - 11
<b>Viscosity:</b>	<100 cP @ 100/s

## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

<b>Reactivity:</b>	Reacts with acids.
<b>Chemical stability:</b>	The shelf life is 3 months.
<b>Possibility of hazardous reactions:</b>	Hazardous polymerisation will not occur.
<b>Conditions to avoid:</b>	Avoid contact with acids .
<b>Incompatible materials:</b>	Incompatible with acids.
<b>Hazardous decomposition products:</b>	Oxides of calcium. Oxides of magnesium. Oxides of silicon.

## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

No adverse health effects expected if the product is handled in accordance with this Safety Data Sheet and the product label. Symptoms or effects that may arise if the product is mishandled and overexposure occurs are:

<b>Ingestion:</b>	No adverse effects expected, however, large amounts may cause nausea and vomiting.
<b>Eye contact:</b>	An eye irritant.
<b>Skin contact:</b>	Contact with skin may result in irritation.
<b>Inhalation:</b>	Breathing in mists or aerosols may produce respiratory irritation.
<b>Acute toxicity:</b>	No LD50 data available for the product.

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**Respiratory or skin sensitisation:** No information available.

**Chronic effects:** No information available for the product.

**Aspiration hazard:** No information available.

The toxicity of crystalline silica is directly proportional to the ability of any particle to reach the lower respiratory tract. Quartz particles with an aerodynamic diameter below 10um are likely to be most harmful to humans, as they reach the lower respiratory tract and are less readily removed by the lungs.

Increases in lung cancer have been attributed to the inhalation of crystalline silica in a number of industries, including; ore mining, quarrying and granite works, ceramics, pottery, refractory brick and diatomaceous earth industries and in foundry workers.

The International Agency for Research on Cancer has classified crystalline silica as a Type 1 Carcinogen - Carcinogenic to Humans, based on sufficient evidence in humans and animals.

Increasing in vitro and in vivo evidence suggests that lung carcinomas in rats are a result of marked and persistent inflammation and epithelial proliferation.

Crystalline silica also causes a range of non-neoplastic pulmonary effects, including; inflammation, silicosis, lymph node fibrosis, airways disease, emphysema and increased permeability of the airspace epithelium.

## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Ecotoxicity** Avoid contaminating waterways.

**Persistence/degradability:** No information available.

**Bioaccumulative potential:** No information available.

**Mobility in soil:** No information available.

## 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

### **Disposal methods:**

Refer to Waste Management Authority. Dispose of contents and container in accordance with local, regional, national, international regulations.

## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

### **Road and Rail Transport**

Not classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the Australian Dangerous Goods Code (ADG Code) for transport by Road and Rail; NON-DANGEROUS GOODS.

### **Marine Transport**

Not classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG Code) for transport by sea; NON-DANGEROUS GOODS.

### **Air Transport**

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

## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

**Classification:**

This material is hazardous according to Safe Work Australia; HAZARDOUS CHEMICAL.

**Hazard Statement(s):**

H319 Causes serious eye irritation.

**Poisons Schedule (SUSMP):** None allocated.

All the constituents of this material are listed on the Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS).

## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

**Reason(s) for Issue:**

5 Yearly Revised Primary SDS

This SDS summarises to our best knowledge at the date of issue, the chemical health and safety hazards of the material and general guidance on how to safely handle the material in the workplace. Since Ixom Operations Pty Ltd cannot anticipate or control the conditions under which the product may be used, each user must, prior to usage, assess and control the risks arising from its use of the material.

If clarification or further information is needed, the user should contact their Ixom representative or Ixom Operations Pty Ltd at the contact details on page 1.

Ixom Operations Pty Ltd's responsibility for the material as sold is subject to the terms and conditions of sale, a copy of which is available upon request.