SAFETY DATA SHEET



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Section 1: Identification

Product identifier

Product Name BENTONITE

Product Code(s) 000000031131

Other means of identification

Synonyms Bentonite Premium GRD 670USP; 670 Bentonite NFBC; VOLCLAY NFBC

Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use

Recommended useCosmetic and food applications.

Uses advised against No information available

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Supplier

Ixom Operations Pty Ltd (Bronson & Jacobs division) - incorporated in Australia

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Mt Maunganui South

New Zealand

Telephone Number: +64 9 309 2528 Facsimile: +64 9 0508 366 364

Emergency telephone number

Emergency Telephone 0 800 734 607 (ALL HOURS)

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.

Section 2: Hazard identification

Not classified as a Dangerous Good under NZS 5433 Transport of Dangerous Goods on Land; NON-DANGEROUS GOODS.

Classified as hazardous according to criteria in the Hazardous Substances (Hazard Classification) Notice 2020. GHS Classification

Skin corrosion/irritation	Category 2
Serious eye damage/eye irritation	Category 2A
Carcinogenicity	Category 1A
Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)	Category 3
Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure)	Category 2

Label elements



Signal word Danger

Hazard statements H315 - Causes skin irritation

H319 - Causes serious eye irritation

H335 - May cause respiratory irritation

H350 - May cause cancer if inhaled

H373 - May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure if inhaled

Precautionary Statements - Prevention

Obtain special instructions before use.

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

Do not breathe dusts or mists.

Wash hands and face thoroughly after handling.

Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.

Wear protective gloves/eye protection/face protection.

Precautionary Statements - Response

Specific treatment (see First aid on this SDS).

IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention.

Eyes

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

Skin

IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.

If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention.

Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.

Inhalation

IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.

Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.

Precautionary Statements - Storage

Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.

Store locked up.

Precautionary Statements - Disposal

Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local, regional, national, and international regulations as applicable.

Other hazards which do not result in classification

No information available.

Section 3: Composition/information on ingredients

Chemical name	CAS No.	Weight-%
Bentonite	1302-78-9	>95
Kaolin	1332-58-7	*
Crystalline silica (Quartz)	14808-60-7	<3

Additional information

* proportion not disclosed by supplier. A colloidal clay *aluminium silicate) composed chiefly of montmorillonite, sodium bentonite form.

Section 4: First-aid measures

Description of first aid measures

General advice For advice, contact a Poisons Information Centre (e.g. phone Australia 13 11 26; New

Zealand 0800 764 766) or a doctor. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

Inhalation Remove to fresh air. Get medical attention immediately if symptoms occur. IF exposed or

concerned: Get medical advice/attention.

Eye contact Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Keep

eye wide open while rinsing. Do not rub affected area. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists.

Skin contact Wash off immediately with soap and plenty of water while removing all contaminated clothes

and shoes. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.

Ingestion Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious

person. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.

Self-protection of the first aider Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Wear personal protective clothing (see section 8).

Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Symptoms May cause redness and tearing of the eyes. Burning sensation. Coughing and/ or wheezing.

Difficulty in breathing. Erythema (skin redness). Swelling of tissue.

Effects of Exposure No information available.

Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Section 5: Fire-fighting measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media

surrounding environment.

Unsuitable extinguishing media Do not scatter spilled material with high pressure water streams.

Specific hazards arising from the chemical

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chemical

Non-combustible. In the event of fire, cool tanks with water spray. Fire residues and contaminated fire extinguishing water must be disposed of in accordance with local

regulations.

Hazardous combustion products Oxides of silicon. Elemental oxides.

Special protective actions for fire-fighters

Special protective equipment and precautions for fire-fighters

Firefighters should wear self-contained breathing apparatus and full firefighting turnout gear.

Use personal protection equipment.

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Section 6: Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Personal precautions Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Avoid breathing vapors or mists. Ensure adequate

ventilation. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Do not touch or walk through spilled material. Wash thoroughly after handling.

Use personal protective equipment as required.

Other information Ventilate the area.

For emergency responders Remove all sources of ignition. Use personal protection recommended in Section 8.

Environmental precautions

Environmental precautions Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Prevent product from entering drains.

See Section 12 for additional Ecological Information.

Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Methods for containment Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Remove ignition sources. Provide

adequate ventilation. Do not touch or walk through spilled material.

Methods for cleaning up Avoid generation of dust. Cover with damp absorbent (inert material, sand or soil). Vacuum

or sweep material and place in a disposal container. Slippery when wet.

Precautions to prevent secondary hazards

Prevention of secondary hazards Clean contaminated objects and areas thoroughly observing environmental regulations.

Section 7: Handling and storage

Precautions for safe handling

Advice on safe handling Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Avoid breathing dust or spray mist. Avoid

generation of dust. Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protection equipment. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse. Wash thoroughly after handling. Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety

practice.

General hygiene considerations Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Wear suitable gloves and eye/face protection. Do

not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace. Regular cleaning of equipment, work area and clothing is recommended. Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling the product.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Storage Conditions Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep/store only in

original container. Protect from physical damage. Store locked up. Store away from foodstuffs. Store away from incompatible materials (refer to SDS). Keep container closed

when not in use.

Incompatible materialsNone known based on information supplied.

Section 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

Control parameters

Exposure Limits

No value assigned for this specific material by the New Zealand Workplace Health & Safety Authority. However, Workplace Exposure Standard(s) for constituents:.

Chemical name	New Zealand	Australia	ACGIH TLV	United Kingdom
Bentonite	-	-	TWA: 1 mg/m ³	-
1302-78-9			respirable particulate	
			matter	
Kaolin	TWA: 10 mg/m ³	TWA: 10 mg/m ³	TWA: 2 mg/m ³	TWA: 2 mg/m ³
1332-58-7	TWA: 2 mg/m ³		particulate matter	STEL: 6 mg/m ³
			containing no asbestos	
			and <1% crystalline	
			silica, respirable	
			particulate matter	
Crystalline silica (Quartz)	TWA: 0.05 mg/m ³	TWA: 0.05 mg/m ³	TWA: 0.025 mg/m ³	TWA: 0.1 mg/m ³
14808-60-7			respirable particulate	STEL: 0.3 mg/m ³
			matter	

As published by the New Zealand Workplace Health & Safety Authority.

WES - TWA (Workplace Exposure Standard - Time Weighted Average) - The eight-hour, time-weighted average exposure standard is designed to protect the worker from the effects of long-term exposure.

WES - STEL (Workplace Exposure Standard - Short Term Exposure Limits) - The 15 minute average exposure standard. Applies to any 15 minute period in the working day and is designed to protect the worker against adverse effects of irritation, chronic or irreversible tissue change, or narcosis that may increase the likelihood of accidents. The WES-STEL is not an alternative to the WES-TWA; both short-term and eight-hour, time-weighted average exposures should be determined.

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

Engineering controls

Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Apply technical measures to comply with the occupational exposure limits.

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

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, DUST MASK.



Eye/face protection Goggles.

Hand protection Impervious gloves.

Skin and body protection Wear suitable protective clothing. Overalls. Boots.

Respiratory protection If determined by a risk assessment an inhalation risk exists, wear a dust mask/respirator

meeting the requirements of AS/NZS 1715 and AS/NZS 1716.

Environmental exposure controls No information available.

Section 9: Physical and chemical properties

Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Physical state Solid Appearance Powder

Light pink, Off-white Color No discernible odour. Odor **Odor threshold** No information available

Property Values Remarks • Method

No data available None known pН Melting point / freezing point 1337 °C None known Boiling point / boiling range No data available None known Flash point No data available None known **Evaporation rate** No data available None known Flammability (solid, gas) No data available None known Flammability Limit in Air None known

No data available

Upper flammability or explosive

limits

Lower flammability or explosive

limits

No data available

Vapor pressure No data available None known No data available None known Vapor density Relative density 2.6 approx. Water solubility No data available None known Solubility(ies) Insoluble in Water and common None known

organic solvents. Forms colloidal suspension in water, with strongly

None known

thixotropic properties.

Partition coefficient No data available **Autoignition temperature** No data available

None known **Decomposition temperature** None known No data available Kinematic viscosity None known No data available **Dynamic viscosity** None known

No information available. **Explosive properties Oxidizing properties** No information available.

Other information

No information available Softening point Molecular weight No information available **VOC Content (%)** No information available **Liquid Density** No information available No information available **Bulk density Particle characteristics** No information available

Section 10: Stability and reactivity

Reactivity

Reactivity No information available.

Chemical stability

Stability Stable under normal conditions.

Explosion data

Sensitivity to mechanical impact None.

Sensitivity to static discharge None.

Possibility of hazardous reactions

Possibility of hazardous reactions
None under normal processing.

Conditions to avoid

Conditions to avoidDust formation. Avoid exposure to heat, sources of ignition, and open flame.

Incompatible materials

Incompatible materialsNone known based on information supplied.

Hazardous decomposition products

Hazardous decomposition products Oxides of silicon. Elemental oxides.

Section 11: Toxicological information

Acute toxicity

Information on likely routes of exposure

Product Information No adverse health effects expected if the chemical is handled in accordance with this Safety

Data Sheet and the chemical label. Symptoms or effects that may arise if the chemical is

mishandled and overexposure occurs are:

Inhalation May cause irritation of respiratory tract.

Eye contact Causes serious eye irritation.

Skin contactCauses skin irritation. Prolonged skin contact may defat the skin and produce dermatitis.

Ingestion Ingestion may cause gastrointestinal irritation, nausea, vomiting and diarrhea.

Symptoms Coughing and/ or wheezing. Difficulty in breathing. May cause redness and tearing of the

eyes. Erythema (skin redness). Swelling of tissue.

Acute toxicity .

Numerical measures of toxicity

No information available

Component Information

Chemical name	Oral LD50	Dermal LD50	Inhalation LC50

Bentonite	> 2000 mg/kg (Rat)	-	>5.27 mg/l, 4 hr (Rat)
Kaolin	> 5000 mg/kg (Rat)	> 5000 mg/kg (Rat)	-

Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure

Skin corrosion/irritation Causes skin irritation.

Serious eye damage/eye irritation Causes serious eye irritation.

Respiratory or skin sensitization No information available.

Germ cell mutagenicity No information available.

Carcinogenicity May cause cancer.

Chemical name	New Zealand	IARC
Crystalline silica (Quartz) - 14808-60-7	Confirmed carcinogen	Group 1

Legend

IARC (International Agency for Research on Cancer)

Group 1 - Carcinogenic to Humans

Reproductive toxicityNo information available.

STOT - single exposure May cause respiratory irritation.

STOT - repeated exposureMay cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure if inhaled.

Aspiration hazard No information available.

Chronic effects: Long term exposure to high dust concentrations may cause changes in lung function (i.e. pneumoconiosis) caused by particles < 0.5 microns penetrating and remaining in the lungs.

Long term exposure to high levels of kaolin dust could cause a reduction in lung capacity. Kaolin dust appears to have fibrogenic potential in the absence of crystalline silica. Pneumoconiosis can exist as simple and complicated forms, with the complicated forms more often associated with respiratory symptoms and changes. Exposure to crystalline silica apparently enhances the severity of pneumoconiosis. For crystalline silica (inhaled in the form of respirable quartz or cristobalite from occupational sources): This material has been classified by the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) as a Group 1 agent. Group 1 - the agent is carcinogenic to humans. Inhaling crystalline silica containing dust can aggravate respiratory conditions such as asthma or emphysema. Long term exposure to mineral dust which contains crystalline silica can cause the lung disease

silicosis.

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

removed by the lungs.

Epidemiological studies in humans have revealed that crystalline silica may cause lung cancer, silicosis, lymph node fibrosis, airways disease, emphysema and lung inflammation.

Data used to identify the health

Refer to Section 16 for Key literature references and sources for data used to compile the

effects SDS.

Section 12: Ecological information

Ecotoxicity

Aquatic ecotoxicity Keep out of waterways.

Chemical name	Algae/aquatic plants	Fish	Crustacea
Bentonite	-	LC50: =19000mg/L (96h,	-
		Oncorhynchus mykiss)	

Terrestrial ecotoxicity There is no data for this product.

Persistence and degradability No information available.

Bioaccumulative potential

Bioaccumulation There is no data for this product.

Mobility in soil

Mobility No information available.

Other adverse effects

No information available.

Section 13: Disposal considerations

Waste treatment methods

Waste from residues/unused products

Dispose of product in packaging in a way that is consistent with the EPA Consolidation 30 April 2021 of the Hazardous Substances (Disposal) Notice 2017 and the Act.

Treat the substance using a method that changes the characteristics or composition of the substance so that the substance is no longer a hazardous substance; or export the

substance from New Zealand as waste.

Contaminated packaging

For packages that have been in direct contact with hazardous substances, the person must ensure that the package is rendered incapable of containing any substance. It must be disposed of in a manner that is consistent with the requirements for disposal of the substance that it contained, taking into account the material the package is manufactured from.

Packages may only be reused or recycled if:

- the substance has a physical hazard other than corrosive to metal, and has been treated to remove any residual contents of the hazardous substance;
- or for substances that have a health or environmental hazard, or corrosive to metal, the contents of the residue in the package are below the threshold for the substance to be classified as hazardous in the Hazardous Substances (Hazard Classification) Notice 2020.

Section 14: Transport information

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ROAD AND RAIL TRANSPORT Not classified as a Dangerous Good under NZS 5433 Transport of Dangerous Goods on

Land; NON-DANGEROUS GOODS.

IATA 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.

IMDG Not classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the International Maritime Dangerous

Goods Code (IMDG Code) for transport by sea; NON-DANGEROUS GOODS.

Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code

No information available

Special precautions for user

Please refer to the applicable dangerous goods regulations for additional information

Section 15: Regulatory information

Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

EPA New Zealand HSNO approval code or group standard

HSR002512 - Additives, Process Chemicals and Raw Materials (Carcinogenic)

National regulations There are no applicable tolerable exposure limits or environmental exposure limits

according to the EPA Controls for Hazardous Substances

Certified handlers, tracking and controlled substance license requirements

Certified handlers are required for some substances. This includes substances requiring a controlled substance license, and most explosives, vertebrates toxic agents, and certain fumigants. Acutely toxic substances which are a Category 1 or 2, such as pesticides also require Certified handlers. Please check the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 for further information

Tracking is required for some highly hazardous substances. These substances need to be under the control of an appropriately trained person or appropriately secured. Please check

the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 for further information

Controlled substance licenses are required to possess certain explosives, vertebrate toxic agents and fumigants. See Part 7 of the Health and Safety at Work Regulation 2017 for more information

Other Regulations This chemical is subject to NZ EPA Hazardous Substances regulations which require details

of Competent Persons.

International Regulations

The Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer Not applicable

The Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants Not applicable

The Rotterdam Convention Not applicable

International Inventories

NZIOCAll the constituents of this material are listed on the New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals.

TSCA

Contact supplier for inventory compliance status.

All the constituents of this material are listed on the Australian Inventory of Industrial

Chemicals.

TCSI Contact supplier for inventory compliance status.

Legend:

NZIoC - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals

TSCA - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory

DSL/NDSL - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List

EINECS/ELINCS - European Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances/European List of Notified Chemical Substances

ENCS - Japan Existing and New Chemical Substances

IECSC - China Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances **KECL** - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances

PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances

AIIC- Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals

TCSI - Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory

Section 16: Other information

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SDS Services).

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Change in Hazardous Chemical Classification

Update in Toxicological Information

Revision Note:

***Indicates updated data since last publication.

Key or legend to abbreviations and acronyms used in the safety data sheet

Legend

SVHC: Substances of Very High Concern for Authorization:
PBT: Persistent, Bioaccumulative, and Toxic (PBT) Substances
vPvB: Very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative (vPvB) Substances

STOT: Specific Target Organ Toxicity ATE: Acute Toxicity Estimate LC50: 50% Lethal Concentration

LD50: 50% Lethal Dose

Legend Section 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

TWA TWA (time-weighted average) STEL STEL (Short Term Exposure Limit)

Ceiling Maximum limit value * Skin designation * Hazard Designation + Sensitizers

C Carcinogen

Key literature references and sources for data used to compile the SDS

Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ChemView Database

European Food Safety Authority (EFSA)

Environmental Protection Agency

Acute Exposure Guideline Level(s) (AEGL(s))

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency High Production Volume Chemicals

Food Research Journal

Hazardous Substance Database

International Uniform Chemical Information Database (IUCLID)

National Institute of Technology and Evaluation (NITE)

Australia National Industrial Chemicals Notification and Assessment Scheme (NICNAS)

NIOSH (National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health)

National Library of Medicine's ChemID Plus (NLM CIP)

National Library of Medicine's PubMed database (NLM PUBMED)

U.S. National Toxicology Program (NTP)

New Zealand's Chemical Classification and Information Database (CCID)

Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development Environment, Health, and Safety Publications

Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development High Production Volume Chemicals Program

Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development Screening Information Data Set

World Health Organization

Disclaimer

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 Bronson & Jacobs 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.

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End of Safety Data Sheet