

SAFETY DATA SHEET

1. Identification

Product identifier VOLTEX®
Other means of identification None.
Recommended use Not available.
Recommended restrictions Workers (and your customers or users in the case of resale) should be informed of the potential presence of respirable dust and respirable crystalline silica as well as their potential hazards. Appropriate training in the proper use and handling of this material should be provided as required under applicable regulations.

Manufacturer/Importer/Supplier/Distributor information

Manufacturer

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Supplier Not available.

2. Hazard identification

Physical hazards Not classified.
Health hazards Carcinogenicity Category 1A
Specific target organ toxicity, repeated exposure Category 1
Environmental hazards Not classified.

Label elements



Signal word Danger
Hazard statement May cause cancer. Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.
Precautionary statement
Prevention Keep out of reach of children. Read label before use. Obtain special instructions before use. Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Do not breathe dust. Wash thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.
Response If medical advice is needed, have product container or label at hand. IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention. Specific treatment (see on this label).
Storage Store locked up. Store away from incompatible materials.
Disposal Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.
Other hazards None known.
Supplemental information 6% of the mixture consists of component(s) of unknown acute oral toxicity. 8% of the mixture consists of component(s) of unknown acute dermal toxicity. 8% of the mixture consists of component(s) of unknown acute hazards to the aquatic environment. 8% of the mixture consists of component(s) of unknown long-term hazards to the aquatic environment.

3. Composition/information on ingredients

Mixtures

Chemical name	Common name and synonyms	CAS number	%
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, QUARTZ		14808-60-7	6
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, CRISTOBALITE		14464-46-1	2
Other components below reportable levels			92

DSD: Directive 67/548/EEC.

CLP: Regulation No. 1272/2008.

#: This substance has been assigned Community workplace exposure limit(s).

M: M-factor

PBT: persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic substance.

vPvB: very persistent and very bioaccumulative substance.

All concentrations are in percent by weight unless ingredient is a gas. Gas concentrations are in percent by volume. *Designates that a specific chemical identity and/or percentage of composition has been withheld as a trade secret.

Composition comments This product contains naturally occurring crystalline silica (not listed in Annex I of Directive 67/548/EEC) in quantities less than 6%.

4. First-aid measures

Inhalation

Move to fresh air. If symptoms are experienced, remove source of contamination or move victim to fresh air. If the affected person is not breathing, apply artificial respiration. Oxygen or artificial respiration if needed. Do not use mouth-to-mouth method if victim inhaled the substance. Induce artificial respiration with the aid of a pocket mask equipped with a one-way valve or other proper respiratory medical device. Call a physician if symptoms develop or persist.

Skin contact

Remove and isolate contaminated clothing and shoes. Get medical attention if irritation develops or persists. For minor skin contact, avoid spreading material on unaffected skin. No special measures required.

Eye contact

Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention if irritation develops or persists. Continue rinsing.

Ingestion

Rinse mouth thoroughly. If ingestion of a large amount does occur, seek medical attention. If ingestion of a large amount does occur, call a poison control center immediately. Do not induce vomiting without advice from poison control center. If vomiting occurs, keep head low so that stomach content doesn't get into the lungs. Do not use mouth-to-mouth method if victim ingested the substance. Induce artificial respiration with the aid of a pocket mask equipped with a one-way valve or other proper respiratory medical device. No special measures required.

Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed

Direct contact with eyes may cause temporary irritation. Prolonged exposure may cause chronic effects.

Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Provide general supportive measures and treat symptomatically. Keep victim under observation. Symptoms may be delayed.

General information

IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention. If you feel unwell, seek medical advice (show the label where possible). Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, and take precautions to protect themselves. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable extinguishing media

Dry chemical, CO₂, water spray or regular foam. Use any media suitable for the surrounding fires.

Unsuitable extinguishing media

None known.

Specific hazards arising from the chemical

During fire, gases hazardous to health may be formed.

Special protective equipment and precautions for firefighters

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear.

Fire fighting equipment/instructions

Use water spray to cool unopened containers.

Specific methods

Use standard firefighting procedures and consider the hazards of other involved materials.

General fire hazards

Not a fire hazard. No unusual fire or explosion hazards noted.

6. Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Keep unnecessary personnel away. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Wear appropriate protective equipment and clothing during clean-up. Wear a dust mask if dust is generated above exposure limits. Do not touch damaged containers or spilled material unless wearing appropriate protective clothing. Ensure adequate ventilation. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained. For personal protection, see section 8 of the SDS.

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Avoid the generation of dusts during clean-up. This product is miscible in water. Collect dust or particulates using a vacuum cleaner with a HEPA filter. Stop the flow of material, if this is without risk. Following product recovery, flush area with water. Put material in suitable, covered, labeled containers. For waste disposal, see section 13 of the SDS. None necessary. Reduce airborne dust and prevent scattering by moistening with water.

Environmental precautions

Avoid discharge into drains, water courses or onto the ground.

7. Handling and storage

Precautions for safe handling

Obtain special instructions before use. Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Keep formation of airborne dusts to a minimum. Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed. Do not breathe dust. Avoid prolonged exposure. When using, do not eat, drink or smoke. Should be handled in closed systems, if possible. In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment. Wash hands thoroughly after handling. Observe good industrial hygiene practices.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store locked up. No special restrictions on storage with other products. Store in original tightly closed container. No special storage conditions required. Guard against dust accumulation of this material. Keep out of the reach of children. Store away from incompatible materials (see Section 10 of the SDS).

8. Exposure controls/personal protection

Occupational exposure limits

US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values

Components	Type	Value	Form
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	TWA	0.025 mg/m3	Respirable fraction.
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, QUARTZ (CAS 14808-60-7)	TWA	0.025 mg/m3	Respirable fraction.

Canada. Alberta OELs (Occupational Health & Safety Code, Schedule 1, Table 2)

Components	Type	Value	Form
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	TWA	0.025 mg/m3	Respirable.
		0.025 mg/m3	Respirable particles.
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, QUARTZ (CAS 14808-60-7)	TWA	0.025 mg/m3	Respirable particles.

Canada. British Columbia OELs. (Occupational Exposure Limits for Chemical Substances, Occupational Health and Safety Regulation 296/97, as amended)

Components	Type	Value	Form
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	TWA	0.025 mg/m3	Respirable fraction.
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, QUARTZ (CAS 14808-60-7)	TWA	0.025 mg/m3	Respirable fraction.

Canada. Manitoba OELs (Reg. 217/2006, The Workplace Safety And Health Act)

Components	Type	Value	Form
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	TWA	0.025 mg/m3	Respirable fraction.
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, QUARTZ (CAS 14808-60-7)	TWA	0.025 mg/m3	Respirable fraction.

Canada. Ontario OELs. (Control of Exposure to Biological or Chemical Agents)

Components	Type	Value	Form
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	TWA	0.05 mg/m3	Respirable fraction.
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, QUARTZ (CAS 14808-60-7)	TWA	0.1 mg/m3	Respirable fraction.

Canada. Quebec OELs. (Ministry of Labor - Regulation respecting occupational health and safety)

Components	Type	Value	Form
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	TWA	0.05 mg/m3	Respirable dust.
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, QUARTZ (CAS 14808-60-7)	TWA	0.1 mg/m3	Respirable dust.

Canada. Saskatchewan OELs (Occupational Health and Safety Regulations, 1996, Table 21)

Components	Type	Value	Form
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	15 minute	10 mg/m3	Inhalable fraction.
	8 hour	0.05 mg/m3	Respirable fraction.
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, QUARTZ (CAS 14808-60-7)	8 hour	0.05 mg/m3	Respirable fraction.

Biological limit values

No biological exposure limits noted for the ingredient(s).

Exposure guidelines

Occupational exposure to nuisance dust (total and respirable) and respirable crystalline silica should be monitored and controlled.

Appropriate engineering controls

If engineering measures are not sufficient to maintain concentrations of dust particulates below the OEL, suitable respiratory protection must be worn. Good general ventilation (typically 10 air changes per hour) should be used. Ventilation rates should be matched to conditions. If applicable, use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to maintain airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If exposure limits have not been established, maintain airborne levels to an acceptable level. If material is ground, cut, or used in any operation which may generate dusts, use appropriate local exhaust ventilation to keep exposures below the recommended exposure limits.

Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment**Eye/face protection**

Wear dust goggles.

Skin protection**Hand protection**

Wear appropriate chemical resistant gloves.

Other

Use of an impervious apron is recommended. No special protective equipment required.

Respiratory protection

Use a particulate filter respirator for particulate concentrations exceeding the Occupational Exposure Limit.

Thermal hazards

Wear appropriate thermal protective clothing, when necessary.

General hygiene considerations

Observe any medical surveillance requirements. Always observe good personal hygiene measures, such as washing after handling the material and before eating, drinking, and/or smoking. Routinely wash work clothing and protective equipment to remove contaminants. Eye wash fountain is recommended. Use good industrial hygiene practices in handling this material.

9. Physical and chemical properties**Appearance**

The product consists of bentonite granules between geotextile layers

Physical state

Solid.

Form

Solid. Mat or Fabric

Color

Various.

Odor

None.

Odor threshold

Not available.

pH

Not available.

Melting point/freezing point

Not available.

Initial boiling point and boiling range	Not available.
Flash point	Not flammable
Evaporation rate	Not available.
Flammability (solid, gas)	Not available.
Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits	
Flammability limit - lower (%)	Not explosive
Flammability limit - upper (%)	Not explosive
Explosive limit - lower (%)	Not available.
Explosive limit - upper (%)	Not available.
Vapor pressure	0.00001 hPa estimated
Vapor density	Not available.
Relative density	Not available.
Solubility(ies)	
Solubility (water)	Negligible
Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water)	Not available.
Auto-ignition temperature	Not available.
Decomposition temperature	Not available.
Viscosity	Not available.
Other information	
Explosive properties	Not explosive.
Oxidizing properties	Not oxidizing.
Percent volatile	0 % estimated

10. Stability and reactivity

Reactivity	The product is stable and non-reactive under normal conditions of use, storage and transport.
Chemical stability	Stable at normal conditions.
Possibility of hazardous reactions	Will not occur.
Conditions to avoid	None known. Contact with incompatible materials.
Incompatible materials	Powerful oxidizers. Chlorine. None known.
Hazardous decomposition products	None known.

11. Toxicological information

Information on likely routes of exposure

Inhalation	Prolonged inhalation may be harmful.
Skin contact	No adverse effects due to skin contact are expected.
Eye contact	Direct contact with eyes may cause temporary irritation.
Ingestion	May cause discomfort if swallowed. Expected to be a low ingestion hazard. However, ingestion is not likely to be a primary route of occupational exposure.

Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics	Direct contact with eyes may cause temporary irritation. Exposure may cause temporary irritation, redness, or discomfort.
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Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity	Not known.
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Components	Species	Test Results
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)		
Acute		
Oral		
LD50	Rat	> 22500 mg/kg
Skin corrosion/irritation	Prolonged skin contact may cause temporary irritation.	
Serious eye damage/eye irritation	Mild irritant to eyes (according to the modified Kay & Calandra criteria)	
Respiratory or skin sensitization		
Canada - Alberta OELs: Irritant		
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	Irritant	
Respiratory sensitization	Not a respiratory sensitizer.	
Skin sensitization	According to the classification criteria of the European Union, the product is not considered as being a skin irritant.	
Germ cell mutagenicity	No data available to indicate product or any components present at greater than 0.1% are mutagenic or genotoxic.	
Carcinogenicity	In 1997, IARC (the International Agency for Research on Cancer) concluded that crystalline silica inhaled from occupational sources can cause lung cancer in humans. However in making the overall evaluation, IARC noted that "carcinogenicity was not detected in all industrial circumstances studied. Carcinogenicity may be dependent on inherent characteristics of the crystalline silica or on external factors affecting its biological activity or distribution of its polymorphs." (IARC Monographs on the evaluation of the carcinogenic risks of chemicals to humans, Silica, silicates dust and organic fibres, 1997, Vol. 68, IARC, Lyon, France.) In June 2003, SCOEL (the EU Scientific Committee on Occupational Exposure Limits) concluded that the main effect in humans of the inhalation of respirable crystalline silica dust is silicosis. "There is sufficient information to conclude that the relative risk of lung cancer is increased in persons with silicosis (and, apparently, not in employees without silicosis exposed to silica dust in quarries and in the ceramic industry). Therefore, preventing the onset of silicosis will also reduce the cancer risk..." (SCOEL SUM Doc 94-final, June 2003) According to the current state of the art, worker protection against silicosis can be consistently assured by respecting the existing regulatory occupational exposure limits. May cause cancer. Occupational exposure to respirable dust and respirable crystalline silica should be monitored and controlled.	
ACGIH Carcinogens		
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	A2 Suspected human carcinogen.	
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, QUARTZ (CAS 14808-60-7)	A2 Suspected human carcinogen.	
Canada - Alberta OELs: Carcinogen category		
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	Suspected human carcinogen.	
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, QUARTZ (CAS 14808-60-7)	Suspected human carcinogen.	
Canada - Manitoba OELs: carcinogenicity		
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	Suspected human carcinogen.	
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, QUARTZ (CAS 14808-60-7)	Suspected human carcinogen.	
Canada - Quebec OELs: Carcinogen category		
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	Detected carcinogenic effect in animals.	
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, QUARTZ (CAS 14808-60-7)	Suspected carcinogenic effect in humans.	
IARC Monographs. Overall Evaluation of Carcinogenicity		
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	1 Carcinogenic to humans.	
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, QUARTZ (CAS 14808-60-7)	1 Carcinogenic to humans.	
US. National Toxicology Program (NTP) Report on Carcinogens		
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	Known To Be Human Carcinogen.	
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, QUARTZ (CAS 14808-60-7)	Reasonably Anticipated to be a Human Carcinogen. Known To Be Human Carcinogen.	
Reproductive toxicity	This product is not expected to cause reproductive or developmental effects.	

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure	Not classified.
Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure	Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.
Aspiration hazard	Not an aspiration hazard.
Chronic effects	<p>In 1997, IARC (the International Agency for Research on Cancer) concluded that crystalline silica inhaled from occupational sources can cause lung cancer in humans. However in making the overall evaluation, IARC noted that "carcinogenicity was not detected in all industrial circumstances studied. Carcinogenicity may be dependent on inherent characteristics of the crystalline silica or on external factors affecting its biological activity or distribution of its polymorphs." (IARC Monographs on the evaluation of the carcinogenic risks of chemicals to humans, Silica, silicates dust and organic fibres, 1997, Vol. 68, IARC, Lyon, France.)</p> <p>In June 2003, SCOEL (the EU Scientific Committee on Occupational Exposure Limits) concluded that the main effect in humans of the inhalation of respirable crystalline silica dust is silicosis. "There is sufficient information to conclude that the relative risk of lung cancer is increased in persons with silicosis (and, apparently, not in employees without silicosis exposed to silica dust in quarries and in the ceramic industry). Therefore, preventing the onset of silicosis will also reduce the cancer risk..." (SCOEL SUM Doc 94-final, June 2003)</p> <p>According to the current state of the art, worker protection against silicosis can be consistently assured by respecting the existing regulatory occupational exposure limits. Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure. Prolonged inhalation may be harmful. Prolonged exposure may cause chronic effects. Occupational exposure to nuisance dust (total and respirable) and respirable crystalline silica should be monitored and controlled.</p>

12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity	This product is not expected to produce significant ecotoxicity upon exposure to aquatic organisms and aquatic systems.
Persistence and degradability	No data is available on the degradability of this product.
Bioaccumulative potential	No data available.
Mobility in soil	No data available.
Other adverse effects	No other adverse environmental effects (e.g. ozone depletion, photochemical ozone creation potential, endocrine disruption, global warming potential) are expected from this component.

13. Disposal considerations

Disposal instructions	Collect and reclaim or dispose in sealed containers at licensed waste disposal site. Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations. Material should be recycled if possible.
Local disposal regulations	Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations.
Hazardous waste code	The waste code should be assigned in discussion between the user, the producer and the waste disposal company.
Waste from residues / unused products	Dispose of in accordance with local regulations. Empty containers or liners may retain some product residues. This material and its container must be disposed of in a safe manner (see: Disposal instructions).
Contaminated packaging	Since emptied containers may retain product residue, follow label warnings even after container is emptied. Empty containers should be taken to an approved waste handling site for recycling or disposal.

14. Transport information

TDG	Not regulated as dangerous goods.
IATA	Not regulated as dangerous goods.
IMDG	Not regulated as dangerous goods.
Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code	Not applicable.

15. Regulatory information

Canadian regulations

This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the HPR and the SDS contains all the information required by the HPR.

Controlled Drugs and Substances Act

Not regulated.

Export Control List (CEPA 1999, Schedule 3)

Not listed.

Greenhouse Gases

Not listed.

Precursor Control Regulations

Not regulated.

International regulations

Stockholm Convention

Not applicable.

Rotterdam Convention

Not applicable.

Kyoto protocol

Not applicable.

Montreal Protocol

Not applicable.

Basel Convention

Not applicable.

International Inventories

Country(s) or region	Inventory name	On inventory (yes/no)*
Australia	Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)	Yes
Canada	Domestic Substances List (DSL)	Yes
Canada	Non-Domestic Substances List (NDSL)	No
China	Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China (IECSC)	Yes
Europe	European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances (EINECS)	Yes
Europe	European List of Notified Chemical Substances (ELINCS)	No
Japan	Inventory of Existing and New Chemical Substances (ENCS)	Yes
Korea	Existing Chemicals List (ECL)	Yes
New Zealand	New Zealand Inventory	No
Philippines	Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances (PICCS)	Yes
Taiwan	Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory (TCSI)	No
United States & Puerto Rico	Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Inventory	Yes

*A "Yes" indicates that all components of this product comply with the inventory requirements administered by the governing country(s)

A "No" indicates that one or more components of the product are not listed or exempt from listing on the inventory administered by the governing country(s).

16. Other information

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Further information This safety datasheet only contains information relating to safety and does not replace any product information or product specification.

References ACGIH
EPA: AQUIRE database
NLM: Hazardous Substances Data Base
US. IARC Monographs on Occupational Exposures to Chemical Agents

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Revision information

Product and Company Identification: Alternate Trade Names