

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

## 1. Identification

<b>Product identifier</b>	<b>VOLTEX®</b>
<b>Other means of identification</b>	None.
<b>Recommended use</b>	Not available.
<b>Recommended restrictions</b>	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

<b>Company name</b>	CETCO, an MTI Company
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<b>Americas</b>	1.866.519.4752 (US, Canada, Mexico) 1 760 476 3962

## 2. Hazard(s) identification

<b>Physical hazards</b>	Not classified.
<b>Health hazards</b>	Carcinogenicity Category 1A Specific target organ toxicity, repeated exposure Category 1
<b>Environmental hazards</b>	Not classified.
<b>OSHA defined hazards</b>	Not classified.
<b>Label elements</b>	



<b>Signal word</b>	Danger
<b>Hazard statement</b>	May cause cancer. Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.
<b>Precautionary statement</b>	
<b>Prevention</b>	Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Do not breathe dust. Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray. Wash thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.
<b>Response</b>	If exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention.
<b>Storage</b>	Store away from incompatible materials. Store in accordance with local/regional/national regulations.
<b>Disposal</b>	Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.
<b>Hazard(s) not otherwise classified (HNOC)</b>	None known.
<b>Supplemental information</b>	None.

## 3. Composition/information on ingredients

### Mixtures

Chemical name	Common name and synonyms	CAS number	%
BENTONITE		1302-78-9	100
<b>Constituents</b>			
Chemical name	Common name and synonyms	CAS number	%
QUARTZ (SiO <sub>2</sub> )		14808-60-7	
CRISTOBALITE		14464-46-1	

\*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

<b>Inhalation</b>	If symptoms are experienced, remove source of contamination or move victim to fresh air. If the affected person is not breathing, apply artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Call a physician if symptoms develop or persist.
<b>Skin contact</b>	Get medical attention if irritation develops or persists. No special measures required.
<b>Eye contact</b>	Flush eyes immediately with large amounts of water. Get medical attention if irritation develops or persists.
<b>Ingestion</b>	If ingestion of a large amount does occur, seek medical attention. No special measures required.
<b>Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed</b>	Prolonged exposure may cause chronic effects.
<b>Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed</b>	Provide general supportive measures and treat symptomatically. Keep victim under observation. Symptoms may be delayed.
<b>General information</b>	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.

## 5. Fire-fighting measures

<b>Suitable extinguishing media</b>	Dry chemical, CO <sub>2</sub> , water spray or regular foam. Use any media suitable for the surrounding fires.
<b>Unsuitable extinguishing media</b>	None known.
<b>Specific hazards arising from the chemical</b>	During fire, gases hazardous to health may be formed.
<b>Special protective equipment and precautions for firefighters</b>	As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear. Material can be slippery when wet.
<b>Fire fighting equipment/instructions</b>	Use water spray to cool unopened containers.
<b>Specific methods</b>	Use standard firefighting procedures and consider the hazards of other involved materials.
<b>General fire hazards</b>	Not a fire hazard. No unusual fire or explosion hazards noted.

## 6. Accidental release measures

<b>Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures</b>	Keep unnecessary personnel away. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Material can be slippery when wet. Wear appropriate protective equipment and clothing during clean-up. Wear a dust mask if dust is generated above exposure limits. Ensure adequate ventilation. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained. For personal protection, see section 8 of the SDS.
<b>Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up</b>	Avoid the generation of dusts during clean-up. This product is miscible in water. This material is classified as a water pollutant under the Clean Water Act and should be prevented from contaminating soil or from entering sewage and drainage systems which lead to waterways. 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.
<b>Environmental precautions</b>	Avoid discharge into drains, water courses or onto the ground.

## 7. Handling and storage

### Precautions for safe handling

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. 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

No special restrictions on storage with other products. 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. OSHA Table Z-1 Permissible Exposure Limits (PEL) for Air Contaminants (29 CFR 1910.1000)

Constituents	Type	Value	Form
CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	PEL	0.05 mg/m3	Respirable dust.
QUARTZ (SIO2) (CAS 14808-60-7)	PEL	0.05 mg/m3	Respirable dust.

#### US. OSHA Table Z-3 Permissible Exposure Limits (PEL) for Mineral Dusts (29 CFR 1910.1000)

Constituents	Type	Value	Form
CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	TWA	0.05 mg/m3	Respirable.
		1.2 mppcf	Respirable.
QUARTZ (SIO2) (CAS 14808-60-7)	TWA	0.1 mg/m3	Respirable.
		2.4 mppcf	Respirable.

#### US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)

Constituents	Type	Value	Form
CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	TWA	0.025 mg/m3	Respirable fraction.
QUARTZ (SIO2) (CAS 14808-60-7)	TWA	0.025 mg/m3	Respirable fraction.

#### NIOSH. Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health (IDLH) Values, as amended

Constituents	Type	Value
CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	IDLH	25 mg/m3
QUARTZ (SIO2) (CAS 14808-60-7)	IDLH	50 mg/m3

#### US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards Recommended Exposure Limits (REL)

Constituents	Type	Value	Form
CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	TWA	0.05 mg/m3	Respirable dust.
QUARTZ (SIO2) (CAS 14808-60-7)	TWA	0.05 mg/m3	Respirable dust.

### 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 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

Applicable for industrial settings only. Wear dust goggles.

<b>Skin protection</b>	
<b>Hand protection</b>	Applicable for industrial settings only. Wear appropriate chemical resistant gloves.
<b>Other</b>	No special protective equipment required. Applicable for industrial settings only. Use of an impervious apron is recommended.
<b>Respiratory protection</b>	Applicable for industrial settings only. Use a particulate filter respirator for particulate concentrations exceeding the Occupational Exposure Limit.
<b>Thermal hazards</b>	Wear appropriate thermal protective clothing, when necessary.
<b>General hygiene considerations</b>	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

<b>Appearance</b>	The product consists of bentonite granules between geotextile layers
<b>Physical state</b>	Solid.
<b>Form</b>	Solid. Mat or Fabric
<b>Color</b>	Various.
<b>Odor</b>	None.
<b>Odor threshold</b>	Not available.
<b>pH</b>	Not available.
<b>Melting point/freezing point</b>	842 °F (450 °C) estimated
<b>Initial boiling point and boiling range</b>	Not available.
<b>Flash point</b>	Not flammable
<b>Evaporation rate</b>	Not available.
<b>Flammability (solid, gas)</b>	Not available.
<b>Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits</b>	
<b>Explosive limit - lower (%)</b>	Not explosive
<b>Explosive limit - upper (%)</b>	Not explosive
<b>Vapor pressure</b>	Not available.
<b>Vapor density</b>	Not available.
<b>Relative density</b>	Not available.
<b>Solubility(ies)</b>	
<b>Solubility (water)</b>	Negligible
<b>Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water)</b>	Not available.
<b>Auto-ignition temperature</b>	Not available.
<b>Decomposition temperature</b>	Not available.
<b>Viscosity</b>	Not available.
<b>Other information</b>	
<b>Explosive properties</b>	Not explosive.
<b>Oxidizing properties</b>	Not oxidizing.
<b>VOC</b>	CARB

## 10. Stability and reactivity

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

## 11. Toxicological information

### Information on likely routes of exposure

Inhalation	No adverse effects due to inhalation are expected.
Skin contact	No adverse effects due to skin contact are expected.
Eye contact	Direct contact with eyes may cause temporary irritation.
Ingestion	Expected to be a low ingestion hazard.

**Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics** Direct contact with eyes may cause temporary irritation.

### Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity	Not known.
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

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.

### IARC Monographs. Overall Evaluation of Carcinogenicity

CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	1 Carcinogenic to humans.
QUARTZ (SiO <sub>2</sub> ) (CAS 14808-60-7)	1 Carcinogenic to humans.

### OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1053)

CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	Cancer
QUARTZ (SiO <sub>2</sub> ) (CAS 14808-60-7)	Cancer

### US. National Toxicology Program (NTP) Report on Carcinogens

CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	Known To Be Human Carcinogen.
QUARTZ (SiO <sub>2</sub> ) (CAS 14808-60-7)	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

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## 12. Ecological information

### Ecotoxicity

This product is not expected to produce significant ecotoxicity upon exposure to aquatic organisms and aquatic systems.

Components	Species	Test Results
BENTONITE (CAS 1302-78-9)		
<b>Aquatic</b>		
<i>Acute</i>		
Fish	LC50 Rainbow trout,donaldson trout (Oncorhynchus mykiss)	19000 mg/l, 96 hours

### 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

### DOT

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.

### General information

IMDG Regulated Marine Pollutant. DOT Regulated Marine Pollutant.

## 15. Regulatory information

### US federal regulations

This product is a "Hazardous Chemical" as defined by the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard, 29 CFR 1910.1200.  
OSHA Process Safety Standard: This material is not known to be hazardous by the OSHA Highly Hazardous Process Safety Standard, 29 CFR 1910.119.

### Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA)

#### TSCA Section 12(b) Export Notification (40 CFR 707, Subpt. D)

Not regulated.

### CERCLA Hazardous Substance List (40 CFR 302.4)

Not listed.

### SARA 304 Emergency release notification

Not regulated.

### OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1053)

CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	Cancer
QUARTZ (SIO2) (CAS 14808-60-7)	Cancer
CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	lung effects
QUARTZ (SIO2) (CAS 14808-60-7)	lung effects
CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	immune system effects
QUARTZ (SIO2) (CAS 14808-60-7)	immune system effects
CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	kidney effects
QUARTZ (SIO2) (CAS 14808-60-7)	kidney effects

### Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA)

#### SARA 302 Extremely hazardous substance

Not listed.

**SARA 311/312 Hazardous chemical** No (Exempt)

#### SARA 313 (TRI reporting)

Not regulated.

### Other federal regulations

#### Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112 Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs) List

Not regulated.

#### Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112(r) Accidental Release Prevention (40 CFR 68.130)

Not regulated.

**Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA)** Not regulated.

**Food and Drug Administration (FDA)** Total food additive  
Indirect food additive  
GRAS food additive

### US state regulations

WARNING: This product contains a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer.

### California Proposition 65



**WARNING:** This product can expose you to QUARTZ (SIO2): CRISTOBALITE, which is known to the State of California to cause cancer. For more information go to [www.P65Warnings.ca.gov](http://www.P65Warnings.ca.gov).

#### California Proposition 65 - CRT: Listed date/Carcinogenic substance

CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	Listed: October 1, 1988
QUARTZ (SIO2) (CAS 14808-60-7)	Listed: October 1, 1988

### International Inventories

Country(s) or region	Inventory name	On inventory (yes/no)*
Australia	Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals (AICIS)	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

Country(s) or region	Inventory name	On inventory (yes/no)*
Korea	Existing Chemicals List (ECL)	Yes
New Zealand	New Zealand Inventory	Yes
Philippines	Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances (PICCS)	Yes
Taiwan	Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory (TCSI)	Yes
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, including date of preparation or last revision

<b>Issue date</b>	23-July-2018
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<b>Version #</b>	05
<b>Further information</b>	This safety datasheet only contains information relating to safety and does not replace any product information or product specification.
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<b>NFPA ratings</b>	Health: 2 Flammability: 0 Instability: 0
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