

SAFETY DATA SHEET

1. Identification

Product identifier	GROUNDING GROUT™
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

Company name	CETCO, an MTI Company	
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Emergency phone number	Emergency	1.866.519.4752/1 760 476 3962
Supplier	Not available.	

2. Hazard identification

Physical hazards	Not classified.	
Health hazards	Serious eye damage/eye irritation	Category 2B
	Carcinogenicity	Category 1A
	Specific target organ toxicity, repeated exposure	Category 1
Environmental hazards	Not classified.	

Label elements



Signal word	Danger
Hazard statement	Causes eye irritation. 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/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.
Response	If medical advice is needed, have product container or label at hand. IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention. If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.
Storage	Store locked up.
Disposal	Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.
Other hazards	None known.
Supplemental information	11.91% of the mixture consists of component(s) of unknown acute oral toxicity. 20.66% of the mixture consists of component(s) of unknown acute dermal toxicity. 20.66% of the mixture consists of component(s) of unknown acute hazards to the aquatic environment. 20.66% 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	5 - < 10
TRADE SECRET		Proprietary	5
TRADE SECRET		Proprietary	3.75
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, CRISTOBALITE		14464-46-1	1 - < 3
Other components below reportable levels			80 - < 90

All concentrations are in percent by weight unless ingredient is a gas. Gas concentrations are in percent by volume.

Composition comments Occupational Exposure Limits for constituents are listed in Section 8.

4. First-aid measures

Inhalation	Move to fresh air. Call a physician if symptoms develop or persist.
Skin contact	Wash off with soap and water. Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists.
Eye contact	Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.
Ingestion	Rinse mouth. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed	Irritation of eyes. Exposed individuals may experience eye tearing, redness, and discomfort. 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.

5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable extinguishing media	Water fog. Foam. Dry chemical powder. Carbon dioxide (CO ₂).
Unsuitable extinguishing media	Do not use water jet as an extinguisher, as this will spread the fire.
Specific hazards arising from the chemical	During fire, gases hazardous to health may be formed.
Special protective equipment and precautions for firefighters	Self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective clothing must be worn in case of fire.
Fire fighting equipment/instructions	Move containers from fire area if you can do so without risk.
Specific methods	Use standard firefighting procedures and consider the hazards of other involved materials.
General fire hazards	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. 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	This product is miscible in water. Large Spills: Stop the flow of material, if this is without risk. Dike the spilled material, where this is possible. Shovel up and place in a container for salvage or disposal. Avoid dust formation. Following product recovery, flush area with water. Small Spills: Collect powder using special dust vacuum cleaner with particle filter or carefully sweep into closed container. Avoid dust formation. Clean surface thoroughly to remove residual contamination. Put material in suitable, covered, labeled containers. For waste disposal, see section 13 of the SDS.
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 contact with eyes. Avoid prolonged exposure. When using, do not eat, drink or smoke. Should be handled in closed systems, if possible. 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. Store in original tightly closed container. 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/m ³	Respirable fraction.
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, QUARTZ (CAS 14808-60-7)	TWA	0.025 mg/m ³	Respirable fraction.
TRADE SECRET	TWA	1 mg/m ³	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/m ³	Respirable.
		0.025 mg/m ³	Respirable particles.
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, QUARTZ (CAS 14808-60-7)	TWA	0.025 mg/m ³	Respirable particles.
TRADE SECRET	TWA	10 mg/m ³	
Constituents	Type	Value	Form
INERT OR NUISANCE DUSTS	TWA	3 mg/m ³	Respirable particles.
		10 mg/m ³	Total particulate.

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/m ³	Respirable fraction.
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, QUARTZ (CAS 14808-60-7)	TWA	0.025 mg/m ³	Respirable fraction.
TRADE SECRET	TWA	3 mg/m ³	Respirable fraction.
		10 mg/m ³	Total dust.
Constituents	Type	Value	Form
INERT OR NUISANCE DUSTS	TWA	3 mg/m ³	Respirable fraction.
		10 mg/m ³	Total dust.

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/m ³	Respirable fraction.
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, QUARTZ (CAS 14808-60-7)	TWA	0.025 mg/m ³	Respirable fraction.
TRADE SECRET	TWA	1 mg/m ³	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/m ³	Respirable fraction.
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, QUARTZ (CAS 14808-60-7)	TWA	0.1 mg/m ³	Respirable fraction.
TRADE SECRET	TWA	1 mg/m ³	Respirable fraction.
Constituents	Type	Value	Form
INERT OR NUISANCE DUSTS	TWA	3 mg/m ³	Respirable fraction.
		10 mg/m ³	Inhalable 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/m ³	Respirable dust.
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, QUARTZ (CAS 14808-60-7)	TWA	0.1 mg/m ³	Respirable dust.
TRADE SECRET	TWA	5 mg/m ³	Respirable dust.
		10 mg/m ³	Total dust.
Constituents	Type	Value	Form
INERT OR NUISANCE DUSTS	TWA	10 mg/m ³	Total 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

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. Provide eyewash station.

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

Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles).

Skin protection**Hand protection**

Wear protective gloves.

Other

Wear suitable protective clothing. Wear suitable protective clothing. Avoid contact with the skin. Wear protective gloves.

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.

9. Physical and chemical properties**Appearance****Physical state**

Solid.

Form

Solid.

Color

Not available.

Odor

Not available.

Odor threshold

Not available.

pH

7 - 9
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Melting point/freezing point	1630.4 °F (888 °C) estimated
Initial boiling point and boiling range	Not available.
Flash point	Non-flammable
Evaporation rate	Not available.
Flammability (solid, gas)	Not available.
Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits	
Flammability limit - lower (%)	Non-explosive
Flammability limit - upper (%)	Non-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	
Density	2.67 g/cm3 estimated
Explosive properties	Not explosive.
Oxidizing properties	Not oxidizing.
Percent volatile	0 % estimated
Specific gravity	2.67 estimated

10. Stability and reactivity

Reactivity	The product is stable and non-reactive under normal conditions of use, storage and transport.
Chemical stability	Material is stable under normal conditions.
Possibility of hazardous reactions	No dangerous reaction known under conditions of normal use.
Conditions to avoid	Contact with incompatible materials.
Incompatible materials	Powerful oxidizers. Chlorine.
Hazardous decomposition products	No hazardous decomposition products are 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	Causes eye irritation.
Ingestion	Expected to be a low ingestion hazard.

Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics Irritation of eyes. Exposed individuals may experience eye tearing, redness, and discomfort.

Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity Not known.

Product	Species	Test Results
GROUNDING GROUT™		
Acute		
Inhalation		
LC50	Rat	27 mg/l/4h
Oral		
LD50	Rat	>= 5000 mg/kg
Components	Species	Test Results
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)		
Acute		
Oral		
LD50	Rat	> 22500 mg/kg
TRADE SECRET		
Acute		
Inhalation		
LC50	Rat	0.5801 mg/l/4h
Oral		
LD50	Rat	1800 mg/kg
Skin corrosion/irritation	Prolonged skin contact may cause temporary irritation.	
Serious eye damage/eye irritation	Causes eye irritation.	
Respiratory or skin sensitization		
Canada - Alberta OELs: Irritant		
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	Irritant	
Respiratory sensitization	Not a respiratory sensitizer.	
Skin sensitization	This product is not expected to cause skin sensitization.	
Germ cell mutagenicity	No data available to indicate product or any components present at greater than 0.1% are mutagenic or genotoxic.	
Carcinogenicity	<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.) 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.</p>	
ACGIH Carcinogens		
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	A2 Suspected human carcinogen.	
SILICA, CRYSTALLINE, QUARTZ (CAS 14808-60-7)	A2 Suspected human carcinogen.	
TRADE SECRET (CAS Proprietary)	A4 Not classifiable as a 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.	

TRADE SECRET (CAS Proprietary)

Not classifiable as a 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

Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure. Prolonged inhalation may be harmful. Prolonged exposure may cause chronic effects.

12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity

The product is not classified as environmentally hazardous. However, this does not exclude the possibility that large or frequent spills can have a harmful or damaging effect on the environment.

Persistence and degradability

No data is available on the degradability of any ingredients in the mixture.

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.

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)	No
Canada	Domestic Substances List (DSL)	No
Canada	Non-Domestic Substances List (NDSL)	No
China	Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China (IECSC)	No
Europe	European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances (EINECS)	No
Europe	European List of Notified Chemical Substances (ELINCS)	No
Japan	Inventory of Existing and New Chemical Substances (ENCS)	Yes
Korea	Existing Chemicals List (ECL)	No
New Zealand	New Zealand Inventory	No
Philippines	Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances (PICCS)	No
Taiwan	Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory (TCSI)	No
United States & Puerto Rico	Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Inventory	No

*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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Disclaimer CETCO, an MTI Company cannot anticipate all conditions under which this information and its product, or the products of other manufacturers in combination with its product, may be used. It is the user's responsibility to ensure safe conditions for handling, storage and disposal of the product, and to assume liability for loss, injury, damage or expense due to improper use. The information in the sheet was written based on the best knowledge and experience currently available.

Revision information Product and Company Identification: Product and Company Identification
Composition / Information on Ingredients: Ingredients
Regulatory Information: United States
GHS: Classification