



# **Product Name**

# DRY MIXED RAPID SET CONCRETE

### 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

Product Name
Supplier Name
Address

DRY MIXED RAPID SET CONCRETE
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**Synonym(s)** Rapidset, Postcrete.

Use(s) Stabilised hole filling for fence and pegola posts, securing clothes-lines, letterboxes, playground

equipment, garden trellis and other non-structural or non-high strength requirement (<10MPa)

applications around the home.

General application is as "just add water" and mix products.

### 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

#### THIS PRODUCT IS CLASSIFIED AS HAZARDOUS ACCORDING TO CRITERIA OF NOHSC.

**RISK PHRASES** 

R36/37/38 Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin.
R40 Limited evidence of a carcinogenic effect.
R43 May cause sensitisation by skin contact.

R48/20 Harmful: danger of serious damage to health by prolonged exposure through

inhalation.

SAFETY PHRASES

S20/21 When using do not eat, drink or smoke.

S22 Do not breathe dust.

S24/25 Avoid contact with skin and eyes.

S36/37 Wear suitable protective clothing and gloves.

S38 In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment.

## NOT CLASSIFIED AS A DANGEROUS GOOD BY THE CRITERIA OF THE ADG CODE.

UN No None Allocated Hazchem Code None Allocated Pkg Group None Allocated DG Class None Allocated Subsidiary Risk(s) None Allocated EPG None Allocated

# 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Ingredient	Formula	Conc.	CAS No.
Portland Cement	Not Available	< 20%	65997-15-1
Washed Silica Sand	Not Available	20 - 40%	14808-60-7
Washed Coarse Aggregate +7mm	Not Available	50 - 75%	
Crystalline Silica (from sand and aggregate)	Quartz SiO <sub>2</sub>	Up to 80%	14808-60-7
Chromium (VI) (from Portland Cement)	Cr <sup>6+</sup>	<3 ppm	18540-29-9
High alumina cement	Not Available	< 5%	65997-15-1

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### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Eye Flush thoroughly with flowing water for at least 15 minutes. Seek medical attention if symptoms persist.

**Inhalation** Remove from dusty area to fresh air. If symptoms persist, seek medical attention.

Skin Wash thoroughly with water untill all traces of product are removed. A shower may be required.

Ingestion Rinse mouth and lips with water. Do not induce vomiting. Give water to drink to dilute stomach

contents. If symptoms persist, seek medical attention.

Advice to Doctor Treat symptomatically.

First Aid Facilities Eye wash station.

### **Additional Information - Aggravated Medical Conditions**

Inhalation Inhalation of dust through prolonged, repeated exposure can cause bronchitis, silicosis (scarring of the

lung). It may also increase the risk of scleroderma (a disease affecting the connective tissue of the skin, joints, blood vessels and internal organs) and lung cancer. Epidemiological studies have shown that

smoking increases the risk of bronchitis, silicosis (scarring of the lung) and lung cancer.

**Skin** Prolonged and repeated skin contact with cement in wet concrete may cause both irritant dermatitis and

allergic (contact) dermatitis. The latter is due to the presence of traces of water soluble hexavalent chromium in cement. Wet concrete is strongly alkaline (pH>12) and can cause caustic burns to

exposed skin.

# 5. FIRE FIGHTING

**Flammability** Non flammable. Does not support combustion of other materials.

Fire and Explosion Non flammable. Does not cause dust explosions.

**Extinguishing** Non flammable.

Hazchem Code None.

### 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Spillage If spilt (bulk), contact emergency services if appropriate. Wear dust-proof goggles, PVC/rubber gloves,

a Class P2 respirator (where an inhalation risk exists), coveralls and rubber boots. Clear area of all unprotected personnel. Prevent spill entering drains or waterways. Collect and place in sealable

containers for disposal or reuse. Avoid generating dust.

**Emergency** Follow safety requirements for personal protection under Section 8 Exposure Controls/Personal

**Procedures** Protection.

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# HANDLING AND STORAGE

Storage Store off the floor, in the original bags in cool, dry, well ventilated area, removed from moisture,

oxidising agents (eg. Hypochlorites, phosphorus oxide), acids, (eg. hydrochloric acid), ethanol, interhalogens (eg. chlorine trifluoride) and foodstuffs. Ensure packages are adequately labelled,

protected from physical damage and sealed when not in use.

Handling General Purpose Concrete is supplied in 20 and 30kg bags. Recognised local safe lifting methods

should be used. Before use carefully read the product label. Use of safe work practices and appropriate PPE is recommended to avoid eye or skin contact and inhalation. Observe good personal hygiene, including washing hands before eating. Prohibit eating, drinking and smoking in contaminated

Property/ Refer to Section 13.

**Environmental** 

#### **EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION**

Ventilation Do not inhale dust/powder. Use with adequate ventilation. Where a dust inhalation hazard exists,

mechanical extraction ventilation is recommended. Maintain dust levels below the recommended

exposure standard.

**Exposure Standards** CHROMIUM (VI) (18540-29-9)

ES-TWA: 0.05 mg/m3 (Chromium VI compounds)

SILICA, CRYSTALLINE - QUARTZ (14808-60-7)

ES-TWA: 0.1 mg/m³ (Silica Quartz, respirable, NOHSC) ES-TWA: 0.1 mg/m³ (QLD); 0.15 mg/m3 (NSW)

WES-TWA: 0.1 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

PORTLAND CEMENT (65997-15-1) ES-TWA: 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup> Portland Cement

ES-TWA: 0.05 mg/m<sup>3</sup> Chromium (VI) Compounds (contaminant)

WES-TWA: 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

**PPE** Wear dust-proof goggles and rubber or PVC gloves. Where an inhalation risk exists, wear a Class P2

> respirator. If there is potential for prolonged and/or excessive skin contact, wear coveralls. At high dust levels, wear a Class P3 respirator or a Powered Air Purifying Respirator (PAPR) with Class P3 Filter.

# PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

**Appearance** A grev or off-white mixture containing Solubility (water) Slight, hardens quickly on

finely ground materials (Portland Cement) and fine and coarse aggregate particles up to 15 mm

nominal size.

Odourless

Approximately 12 . Vapour Pressure Not Available Vapour Density Not Available

**Boiling Point/Melting Point** Not Available

Odour

**Evaporation Rate** Not Relevant **Bulk Density** 

Dry powder 1500 to 1700 kg/m<sup>3</sup>

Particle Size Up to nominal 15 mm

Compacted (cast) 2250 - 2400 kg/m<sup>3</sup>

mixing with water

**Specific Gravity** Average Approx. 2.7 % Volatiles Not Available Non Flammable **Flammability** Flash Point Not Relevant **Upper Explosion Limit** Not Relevant

**Lower Explosion Limit** Not Relevant Autoignition Not Available

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### STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Incompatible with oxidising agents (eg hypochlorites), ethanol, acids (eg. hydrochloric acid) and Reactivity

interhalogens (eg chlorine trifluoride). Water contact may increase product temperature 2-5°C.

**Decomposition Products** 

May evolve toxic gases when heated to decomposition.

# TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Health Hazard** Slightly corrosive. Avoid eye or skin contact or dust inhalation. This product has the potential to cause Summary

acute and chronic health effects with over exposure. Crystalline silica can cause silicosis (lung disease) with chronic over exposure, however due to low levels present and product application, adverse health effects are not anticipated. Crystalline silica and hexavalent chromium compounds are classified as

carcinogenic to humans (IARC Group 1).

Eye Slightly corrosive. Severe irritant upon contact with powder/dust. Over exposure may result in pain,

redness, corneal burns and ulceration with possible permanent damage.

Inhalation Slightly corrosive. Over exposure may result in severe mucous membrane irritation and bronchitis.

Hexavalent chromium is reported to cause respiratory sensitisation, however due to the trace amount

present, a hazard is not anticipated under normal conditions of use.

Skin Slightly corrosive. Prolonged and repeated contact with powder or wetted form may result in skin rash,

dermatitis and sensitisation.

Ingestion Slightly corrosive. Ingestion may result in burns to the mouth and throat, with vomiting and abdominal

pain. Due to product form, ingestion is not considered a likely exposure route.

**Toxicity Data** SILICA, CRYSTALLINE - QUARTZ (14808-60-7)

Carcinogenicity: Classified as a human carcinogen (IARC Group 1)

CHROMIUM (VI) (18540-29-9)

Carcinogenicity: Confirmed human carcinogen (IARC Group 1)

Health Surveillance: Required [NOHSC:1005(1994)]

#### **ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION** 12

**Environment** Limited ecotoxicity data was available for this product at the time this report was prepared. Ensure

appropriate measures are taken to prevent this product from entering the environment.

#### **DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS** 13.

**Waste Disposal** Reuse or recycle where possible. Alternatively, ensure product is covered with moist soil to prevent

dust generation and dispose of to an approved landfill site. Contact the manufacturer for additional

information.

Legislation Dispose of in accordance with relevant local legislation. Keep out of sewer and stormwater drains.

## TRANSPORT INFORMATION

Drivers of trucks transporting bagged product should ensure that the bags are properly restrained.

**Shipping Name** None Allocated

None Allocated **UN No** None Allocated **Hazchem Code** None Allocated Pkg Group None Allocated **DG Class** None Allocated Subsidiary Risk(s) None Allocated **EPG** 

#### **Road and Rail Transport**

Not classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the Australian Dangerous Goods Code (ADG Code) for transport by road and rail.

# **Marine Transport**

Not classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG Code) for transport by sea.

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### **Air Transport**

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

### 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Poison Schedule AICS A poison schedule number has not been allocated to this product using the criteria in the

Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Drugs and Poisons (SUSDP).

All chemicals listed on the Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS).

### 16. OTHER INFORMATION

# Additional Information

CEMENT CONTACT DERMATITIS: Individuals using wet cement, mortar, grout or concrete could be at risk of developing cement dermatitis. Symptoms of exposure include itchy, tender, swollen, hot, cracked or blistering skin with the potential for sensitisation. The dermatitis is due to the presence of soluble (hexavalent) chromium.

IARC – GROUP 1 – PROVEN HUMAN CARCINOGEN. This product contains an ingredient for which there is sufficient evidence to have been classified by the International Agency for Research into Cancer as a human carcinogen. The use of products known to be human carcinogens should be strictly monitored and controlled.

RESPIRATORS: In general the use of respirators should be limited and engineering controls employed to avoid exposure. If respiratory equipment must be worn ensure correct respirator selection and training is undertaken. Remember that some respirators may be extremely uncomfortable when used for long periods. The use of air powered or air supplied respirators should be considered where prolonged or repeated use is necessary.

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT GUIDELINES: The Recommendation for protective equipment contained within this MSDS report is provided as a guide only. Factors such as method of application, working environment, quantity used, product concentration and the availability of engineering controls should be considered before final selection of personal protective equipment is made.

HEALTH EFFECTS FROM EXPOSURE: It should be noted that the effects from exposure to this product will depend on several factors including: frequency and duration of use; quantity used; effectiveness of control measures; protective equipment used and method of application. Given that it is impractical to prepare an MSDS report which would encompass all possible scenarios, it is anticipated that users will assess the risks and apply control methods where appropriate.

# ABBREVIATIONS:

mg/m<sup>3</sup> - Milligrams per cubic metre

ppm - Parts Per Million

ES-TWA - Exposure Standard - Time Weighted Average

pH - relates to hydrogen ion concentration - this value will relate to a scale of 0 - 14, where 0 is highly acidic and 14 is highly alkaline.

CAS# - Chemical Abstract Service Number - used to uniquely identify chemical compounds.

IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer.

WES-TWA - Workplace Exposure Standard - Time Weighted Average

### **Report Status**

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