

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

# Dried Sand

## Section 1: Identification of the Material and Supplier

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### Product

**Name:** Dried Sand**Other Names:** Paving Joint Filler, Joint Fill Sand, Brushing Sand**Use:** Dried Sand is used as filling sand, turf underlay and as a fine aggregate in mortar and concrete.

## Section 2: Hazards Identification

### 2.1 Classification

**DANGER**

### GHS CLASSIFICATION

**Classified as Hazardous** according to the Safe Work Australia guidelines for Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS).For more information call **1300 CEMENT** (1300 236 368)  
or visit [www.cementaustralia.com.au](http://www.cementaustralia.com.au)*Mix it with the best.*

**Not classified as Dangerous Goods** according to the Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail. (7th edition)

**Hazard Class and Category**

**Specific Target Organ Toxicity (Repeated Exposure): Category 1**

**Carcinogenicity: Category 1A**

## 2.2 GHS Label elements

### Pictograms and Signal Words



**DANGER**

### Hazard Statement(s)

- H350** May cause cancer by inhalation.  
**H372** Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

### Prevention Statement(s)

- P202** Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.  
**P260** Do not breathe dust.  
**P264** Wash any skin exposed to the product thoroughly after handling. Do not touch eyes until hands are thoroughly washed clean of material.  
**P270** Do not eat, drink, or smoke while using this product.  
**P280** Wear protective gloves in accordance with AS2161. Wear dust proof eye protection in accordance with (AS/NZS1337.1).

### Response Statement(s)

- P314** Get medical advice if you feel unwell.  
**P308+P313** If exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention.

### Storage Statement(s)

- P403+P233** Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.  
**P405** Store locked up.

### Disposal Statement(s)

- P501** Dispose of unused contents or container as normal general waste or in accordance with jurisdictional regulations.

## 2.3 Other hazards

Frequent inhalation of dust material over periods of time increases the risk of developing silicosis and lung disease. Some susceptible individuals may exhibit an allergic skin response upon exposure, possibly due to trace amounts of chromium.

## Section 3: Composition/Information on Ingredients

The sand in this product is mainly crystalline silica and accounts for the high overall crystalline silica content.

Chemical Entity	Proportion	CAS Number
<b>Washed Sand containing:</b>	<b>&gt;95%</b>	<b>14808-60-7</b>
Crystalline Silica (Quartz)	>95%	14808-60-7
Total respirable silica	Below reporting limits	14808-60-7
Hexavalent Chromium Cr (VI)	<1 ppm	18540-29-9
<b>Mineral and Organic impurities</b>	<b>&lt;5%</b>	

## Section 4: First Aid Measures

### 4.1 Description of necessary first aid measures

<b>Ingestion/Swallowed:</b>	Rinse mouth and lips with water. Give water to drink.
<b>Eyes:</b>	Flush thoroughly with flowing water for 15 minutes to remove all traces. If symptoms such as irritation or redness persist, seek medical attention.
<b>Skin:</b>	Wash off skin thoroughly with water. Shower if necessary. Seek medical attention for persistent irritation or redness of the skin.
<b>Inhalation:</b>	Remove to fresh air, away from dusty area. If symptoms persist, seek medical attention.
<b>First Aid Facilities:</b>	Eye wash station. Washing facilities with running water/shower.
<b>Advice to Doctor:</b>	Treat symptomatically.

### 4.2 Symptoms caused by exposure

Chronic over exposure to silica quartz dust may result in silicosis (lung disease). Principal symptoms of silicosis are coughing and breathlessness. Some individuals may exhibit an allergic response upon exposure to this product, possibly due to the trace amounts of chromium present. Crystalline silica is classified as carcinogenic to humans (IARC Group 1), if respirable material is inhaled. Hexavalent chromium compounds are also classified as carcinogenic to humans (IARC Group 1).

### 4.3 Medical attention and special treatment

In case of accident (such as eye exposure) or feeling unwell, seek medical advice immediately (show directions for use or safety data sheet if possible).

Treatment:  
(See paragraph 4.1)

## Section 5: Fire Fighting Measures

<b>Fire/Explosion Hazard:</b>	None	<b>Special Protective</b>	None required
<b>Hazchem Code:</b>	None allocated	<b>Precautions</b>	
<b>Flammability:</b>	Not flammable	<b>and equipment for</b>	
<b>Extinguishing Media:</b>	None required.	<b>fire fighters:</b>	
<b>Hazards from</b>	None		
<b>Combustion Products:</b>			

## Section 6: Accidental Release Measures

### 6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedure

Recommended protective clothing when handling product includes gloves (AS2161), boots, long sleeves/pants, eye protection i.e., goggles (AS/NZS1337.1), suitable respirator (AS/NZS1715, 1716).

Remove persons to safety in event of large release of sand or dust.

### 6.2 Environmental precautions

Prevent product from entering storm water and sewer drains.

### 6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Contain spillage, then collect and place in suitable containers for reuse or disposal.

Spills are best cleaned up by vacuum device to avoid generating airborne dust.

Recommendations on Exposure Control and Personal Protection should be followed during spill clean-up.

Keep product out of storm water and sewer drains.

Wetting during clean-up will cause formation of setting cement.

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## Section 7: Handling and Storage

### 7.1 Precautions for safe handling

When supplied in bags these need to be handled in accordance with Hazardous Manual Tasks Code of Practice. Use of safe work practices are recommended to avoid inhalation.

### 7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Keep away from food, drink and feed.

Incompatible materials: Keep away from water and sources of moisture.

Instructions as regards storage premises: Storage may be in concrete silos, steel bins or plastic lined bags. Ensure premises are cool, dry and adequately ventilated.

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## Section 8: Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

### 8.1 Exposure control parameters

#### Exposure standards

Ingredient	Reference	TWA		STEL	
		ppm	mg/m <sup>3</sup>	ppm	mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Chromium (VI) compounds (as Cr)	SWA (AUS)	--	0.05	--	--
Silica – Crystalline Quartz (respirable dust)	SWA (AUS)	--	0.05	--	--

### 8.2 Engineering controls

Avoid inhalation. Use in well-ventilated areas. Where an inhalation risk exists, mechanical extraction ventilation is recommended. Maintain dust levels below the recommended exposure standard.

## 8.3 Individual protection measures and PPE

<b>Eyes / Face:</b>	Safety glasses with side shields or protective goggles should be worn while using this product. For extremely dusty conditions, non-vented goggles or goggles with indirect venting are recommended. Avoid contact lens wear when using this product.
<b>Body/Skin:</b>	Long sleeved shirts and trousers should be worn while using this material. Avoid direct contact with skin. If working in dusty conditions, impervious over garments are recommended. Protective gloves with wrist/arm cuffs should be worn to avoid direct contact with skin. Wear PVC, rubber or cotton gloves when handling material to prevent skin contact.
<b>Hands:</b>	Wear PVC, rubber or cotton gloves when handling material to prevent skin contact.; AS/NZS 2161.10:
<b>Respiratory:</b>	Where an inhalation risk exists wear a Class P1 (Particulate) respirator, dependent on a site-specific risk assessment.

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## Section 9: Physical and Chemical Properties

<b>Appearance:</b>	A grey, sandy mixture of fine and coarse 14mm) solid particles
<b>Odour:</b>	No distinctive odour
<b>Boiling/Melting Point:</b>	Melting point >1200°C
<b>Vapour Pressure:</b>	Not applicable
<b>Specific Gravity:</b>	2.7
<b>Flash Point:</b>	Not applicable
<b>Flammability Limits:</b>	Not applicable
<b>Solubility in Water:</b>	Slight, reacts on mixing with water forming an alkaline solution (caustic, pH>11)
<b>Particle Size:</b>	Less than 10% of the fresh dry material may be respirable (below 10 microns)

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## Section 10: Stability and Reactivity

<b>Chemical Stability:</b>	Chemically stable
<b>Conditions to Avoid:</b>	Keep free of moisture during storage
<b>Incompatible Materials:</b>	None
<b>Hazardous Decomposition Products:</b>	None
<b>Hazardous Reactions:</b>	None

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## Section 11: Toxicological Information

<b>Acute toxicity</b>	Mildly abrasive and corrosive to mouth and throat if swallowed. May cause nausea, stomach cramps and constipation.
<b>Skin</b>	Irritating to the respiratory system. Over exposure may result in irritation of the nose and throat, with coughing. High level exposure may result in breathing difficulties. Pre-existing upper respiratory and lung diseases including asthma and bronchitis may be aggravated.
<b>Eye</b>	Irritating to the eyes. Contact with moisture in the eyes may result in irritation, flow of tears, pain, redness, conjunctivitis, and possible alkaline burns aided by mechanical irritation and abrasion.
<b>Sensitisation</b>	This product is not classified as a skin or respiratory sensitiser. However, some individuals may exhibit an allergic response upon exposure to dried sand.

<b>Mutagenicity</b>	Not classified as a Mutagen.
<b>Carcinogenicity</b>	This product may contain crystalline silica, which is classified as carcinogenic to humans (IARC Group 1). There is sufficient information to conclude that the relative risk of lung cancer is increased in persons with silicosis. Therefore, preventing the onset of silicosis will also reduce the cancer risk. Trace amounts of hexavalent chromium are also present but are unlikely to be the cause of adverse effects in comparison to silica. However, RSC is below reporting limits.
<b>Reproductive</b>	Not classified as a reproductive toxicant.
<b>STOT – single exposure</b>	Not classified as causing organ damage from single exposure.
<b>STOT – repeated exposure</b>	Repeated exposure to respirable silica may result in pulmonary fibrosis (silicosis). Silicosis is a fibronodular lung disease caused deposition in the lungs of fine respirable particles of crystalline silica. Principal symptoms of silicosis are coughing and breathlessness. In the wet state, the likelihood of an inhalation hazard is reduced.
<b>Aspiration</b>	This product is a stable solid and aspiration hazards are not expected to occur.

## Section 12: Ecological Information

<b>Ecotoxicity:</b>	Based on available data, classification criteria is not met, and there is a high probability that the product is not acutely harmful to aquatic organisms. This product is non-toxic to aquatic organisms when present as a solid.
<b>Persistence and Degradability:</b>	Product is persistent and would have a low degradability.
<b>Bio accumulative potential:</b>	This product is not expected to bio accumulate.
<b>Mobility:</b>	A low mobility would be expected in a landfill situation.

## Section 13: Disposal Considerations

Reclaim excess material where possible, with extreme care taken to avoid dust generation. Use a vacuum to collect where possible, and wear PPE as indicated in section 8.3.

Dried Sand can be treated as a common waste for disposal to an approved landfill site, in accordance with local authority guidelines.

Keep material out of storm water and sewer drains.

Measures should be taken to prevent dust generation during disposal, and exposure and personal precautions should be observed (see above).

Container should be washed clean of dust and sand before repurposing.

## Section 14: Transport Information

Not classified as dangerous in the meaning of transport regulations. May be transported by Ship, Rail, Air and Road.

<b>UN Number:</b>	None allocated
<b>Proper Shipping Name:</b>	None allocated
<b>Class and Subsidiary Risk:</b>	None allocated
<b>Packing Group:</b>	None allocated
<b>Special precautions for user:</b>	Avoid generating and breathing dust
<b>Hazchem Code:</b>	None allocated

## Section 15: Regulatory Information

Dried Sand is not classified as Dangerous Goods.

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).

This Safety Data Sheet has been prepared according to the Australian Work Health and Safety (WHS) act and the Code of Practice on preparation of safety data sheets for Hazardous Chemicals.

All components are listed on the Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS) or are exempt.

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## Section 16: Other Information

**For further information on this product contact:**

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## Australian and New Zealand Standards:

AS 2161: Industrial Safety Gloves and Mittens (excluding electrical and medical gloves).

AS/NZ 1336: Recommended Practices for Occupational Eye Protection.

AS/NZS 1715: Selection, use and maintenance of respiratory protective devices.

AS/NZS 1716: Respiratory protective devices.

AS/NZS 4501: Occupational protective clothing.

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