



MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

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1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE/PREPARATION AND OF THE COMPANY/UNDERTAKING

Product name: BENTONE® MA

Product Use Description: Rheological additive

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2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

EMERGENCY OVERVIEW

Appearance:	Powder
Color:	Off-white
Odor:	Odourless

WARNING

Harmful by inhalation
 May cause slight eye irritation
 May cause irritation of respiratory tract
 Long term exposure to airborne concentrations may cause lung damage

Potential health effects:

Eye contact:	May cause slight eye irritation. Signs and symptoms include burning, tearing, redness and swelling.
Skin contact:	Non-irritating to the skin.
Inhalation:	Harmful by inhalation. May cause allergic respiratory reaction. Long term exposure to airborne concentrations may cause lung damage.
Ingestion:	Ingestion may cause gastrointestinal irritation, nausea, vomiting and diarrhea.

Routes of exposure: Inhalation, Skin, Ingestion

Target Organs: Lungs

See Sections 11 & 12 for additional toxicological and ecological information

Environmental hazard: See Section 12, below

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

While this material is not classified as hazardous under OSHA regulations, this MSDS contains valuable information critical to the safe handling and proper use of this product. This MSDS should be retained and available for employees and other users of this product.

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Inhalation: Move to fresh air in case of accidental inhalation of dust or fumes from overheating or combustion. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen.

Skin contact: Wash off immediately with soap and plenty of water. If a person feels unwell or symptoms of skin irritation appear, consult a physician.

Eye contact: Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. If eye irritation persists, consult a specialist.

Ingestion: If swallowed, seek medical advice immediately and show this container or label. Do not induce vomiting without medical advice. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.

5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

Flash Point: Not applicable

Autoignition temperature: Not selfigniting

Unusual Fire and Explosion Hazards: Excess dust dispersed in air represents an explosion hazard in the presence of electrical sparks and static discharges .

Reactivity Hazard: None known

Suitable extinguishing media: Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide

Hazardous combustion products: Carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide (CO₂).

Special Fire Fighting Procedure: Firefighters should wear NIOSH/MSHA approved self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective clothing

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions:	Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Use personal protective equipment.
Environmental precautions:	Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system.
Clean-up methods:	Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Clean spill area thoroughly. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling:	Remove all sources of ignition. Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Avoid breathing mists, dusts, or vapors. Wash hands thoroughly after handling.
Storage:	Keep containers tightly closed in a cool, well-ventilated place. Keep product and empty container away from heat and sources of ignition.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

Engineering measures:	Maintain adequate ventilation to keep hazardous ingredients below their PELs or TLVs. Use NIOSH/MSHA approved respirator whenever exposure limits exceeded.
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Personal Protective Equipment

Eye protection:	Wear face protection
Skin and body protection:	Choose body protection in relation to its type, to the concentration and amount of dangerous substances, and to the specific work-place
Respiratory protection:	In the case of respirable dust and/or fumes, use self-contained breathing apparatus.
Hand protection:	Protective gloves
Hygiene measures:	Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

Exposure controls

TLV/PEL	Particles (insoluble or poorly soluble) Not Otherwise Specified [PNOS]
OSHA TWA	10 mg/m ³ (inhalable particles) 5 mg/m ³ (respirable particles)
ACGIH TWA	10 mg/m ³ (inhalable particles) 3 mg/m ³ (respirable particles)

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance:	Powder
Color:	Off-white
Odor:	Odourless
Physical state:	Solid
Melting point/range:	500 °C
Solubility:	Water insoluble
Specific Gravity:	2.7
Flash Point:	Not applicable

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Stability:	Stable at normal conditions
Conditions to avoid:	Heat, flames and sparks
Materials to avoid:	Oxidizing agents
Hazardous decomposition products:	Carbon monoxide, Carbon dioxide (CO ₂)
Possibility of Hazardous Reactions:	Will not occur

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute toxicity

Product Information:	See below
LD50/Oral/Rat:	> 5000 mg/kg (rat)

Local effects

Skin irritation:	Non-irritating to the skin.
Eye irritation:	Contact with eyes may cause irritation.
Inhalation:	May cause irritation of respiratory tract.
Ingestion:	Ingestion may cause gastrointestinal irritation, nausea, vomiting and diarrhea.
Chronic toxicity:	See table and/or data, below

Specific effects

Carcinogenic effects:	No classification data on the carcinogenic properties of this material is available from the IARC, NTP or OSHA
Target Organs:	Lungs

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Aquatic toxicity:

Product Information: No data available

Persistence and degradability: No data available

Environmental Fate and Pathways:

Mobility: No data available

Biodegradability: No data available

Bioaccumulative potential: No data available

Physical / Chemical: No data available

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste from residues / unused products: Do not contaminate ponds, waterways or ditches with chemical or used container. Dispose of in accordance with Local and National regulations.

RCRA Hazardous Waste:

RCRA: Not listed

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

U.S. Department of Transportation Ground (49 CFR):

Proper shipping name: Not regulated

International Air Transportation (ICAO/IATA):

Proper shipping name: Not regulated

International Maritime Organization (IMO/IMDG):

Proper shipping name: Not regulated

Surface Shipments in Europe (ADR/RID):

Proper shipping name: Not regulated

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Heavy metals:

Heavy metals content (ppm): Not applicable

International Inventories

TSCA/ (USA)	Listed	EINECS/ (EU)	Listed
DSL/ (CANADA)	Listed	NDSL/ (CANADA)	Not applicable
ENCS/ (JAPAN)	Listed	IECSC/ (CHINA)	Listed
PICCS/ (PHILLIPINES)	Listed	KECL (KOREA)	Listed
AICS/ (AUSTRALIA)	Listed	HSNO/ New Zealand:	Listed

U.S. Regulations**TSCA Section 12(b) Export Notification****SARA Title III:**

Section 302 EHS:	None	Section 311/312:	None
Section 313:	Not listed		

California Prop. 65:

Not listed

Canada**WHMIS hazard class:** Non-controlled

This MSDS has been prepared according to the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations (CPR) and the MSDS contains all of the information required by the CPR.

16. OTHER INFORMATION**HMIS:**

Health:	1
Flammability:	1
Reactivity:	0

Previous Revision Date: 06-Mar-2001**Key/Legend:**

N/A: Not applicable
 N/D: Not determined
 ppm: Parts per million
 X: Listed

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