



Limestone Stearic Acid Treated – January 27, 2020  
SAFETY DATA SHEET

SECTION 1	IDENTIFICATION
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Product

Name: Limestone Stearic Acid Treated – All Sizes

Other Names: High calcium limestone; Calcium Carbonate; Treated Limestone

Recommended Uses: Mineral Filler

Company Identification:

US Operations:

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Emergency Phone Number:

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SECTION 2	HAZARDS(S) IDENTIFICATION
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Classification

Carcinogen – Category 1

Specific Target Organ Toxicity Single Exposure – Category 3  
(Respiratory System)

Specific Target Organ Toxicity Repeat Exposure – Category 1  
(Respiratory System)

Labeling:

Pictograms:



Signal Word(s): Danger

Hazard Statements: May cause respiratory irritation.

Causes damage to lungs through prolonged or repeated exposure when inhaled.

May cause cancer through inhalation.



Precautionary Statements:

Wash exposed skin thoroughly after handling. Avoid breathing dust. Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area. Obtain special instructions before use. Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.

If exposed or concerned: Get medical advice

Dispose of contents or containers in accordance with applicable regulations.

Other Hazards: None.

SECTION 3	COMPOSITION/ INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS
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Chemical Name: Stearic Acid Treated Limestone

Common names and synonyms: High calcium limestone; Calcium Carbonate; Treated Limestone

Chemical Identity	CAS #	Concentration, % Wt.
Limestone	1317-65-3	> 95
Crystalline Silica	14808-60-7	< 2
Stearic Acid	57-11-4	0.5 – 1.0

SECTION 4	FIRST AID MEASURES
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Inhalation: Move victim to fresh air. Seek medical attention if necessary.

Ingestion: Do not induce vomiting. Seek medical attention immediately. Never give anything by mouth unless instructed to do so by medical personnel.

Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed: This product contains crystalline silica, which has been classified by IARC as (Group I) carcinogenic to humans when inhaled. Inhalation of silica can also cause a chronic lung disorder, silicosis.

Note to Physician: Provide general supportive measures and treat symptomatically.

**SECTION 5****FIREFIGHTING MEASURES****Extinguishing Media**

Appropriate Extinguishing Media: Use dry chemical fire extinguisher or water

Inappropriate Extinguishing Media: Do not use halogenated compounds.

**Firefighting**

Fire Hazards: Limestone is not combustible or flammable. Limestone is not considered to be an explosive hazard, although reaction with incompatible materials may rupture containers.

Hazardous Combustion Products: None

Special Protective Equipment and Fire Fighting Instructions: None

**SECTION 6****ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

Personal Precautions: Use proper protective equipment.

Environmental Precautions: For large spills, as much as possible, avoid the generation of dusts. Prevent release to sewers or waterways.

**Methods and Materials for Containment and Cleaning Up:**

Small Spills: Use dry methods to collect spilled materials. Avoid generating dust. Do not clean up with compressed air. Residue on surfaces may be washed with water or dilute vinegar.

Large Spills: Use dry methods to collect spilled materials. Evacuate area downwind of clean-up operations to minimize dust exposure.

**SECTION 7****HANDLING AND STORAGE**

Precautions for Safe Handling: None

Conditions for Safe Storage, Including any Incompatibilities: Do not store near incompatible materials (see Section 10 below).



SECTION 8	EXPOSURE CONTROLS/ PERSONAL PROTECTION
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Control Parameters:

Component	CAS #	Exposure Limits
Limestone	1317-65-3	OSHA PEL: 15 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (total) 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (respirable) ACGIH TLV: 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Crystalline Silica	14808-60-7	OSHA PEL: 0.050 mg/m <sup>3</sup> as an 8 hr. TWA (respirable) ACGIH TLV: 0.025 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (respirable)
Stearic Acid	57-11-4	OSHA PEL: None Listed ACGIH TLV: None Listed

Appropriate Engineering Controls: Provide ventilation adequate to maintain PELs.

#### Personal Protection

Respiratory Protection: Use NIOSH approved respirators if airborne concentration exceeds PEL.

Eye Protection: Use safety glasses with side shields or safety goggles.

Skin Protection: If there is a risk of skin contact, wear appropriate clothing and gloves to prevent contact.

Other: Eye wash fountain and emergency showers are recommended.

SECTION 9	PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES
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#### Appearance

Physical State:	Solid
Color:	White, grayish-white or tan
Odor:	Odorless
Odor Threshold:	N/ A
pH:	8-9 @ 25° C when made into a saturated solution
Melting Point:	N/ A
Initial Boiling Point:	N/A
Freezing Point:	N/ A



Flash Point: N/ A  
Evaporation Rate: N/ A  
Flammability (solid, gas): Non-flammable  
Explosion Limits: N/ A  
Vapor Pressure: N/ A  
Vapor Density: N/ A  
Relative Density: 2.6 – 2.9 g/ cm<sup>3</sup> (apparent)  
Solubility(ies): Not readily soluble in water  
Partition coefficient: Relatively insoluble  
Auto-ignition Temperature: N/ A  
Decomposition Temperature: 898 ° C  
Viscosity: N/A

SECTION 10	STABILITY AND REACTIVITY
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Reactivity: Normally stable. Will react with chemicals listed under incompatible materials below.

Chemical Stability: Limestone is chemically stable.

Possibility of Hazardous Reactions: See reactivity above

Conditions to Avoid: Do not allow Limestone to come into contact with incompatible materials.

Incompatible Materials: Limestone should not be mixed or stored with the following materials, due to the potential for violent reaction and release of heat:

- Acids (unless in a controlled process)
- Reactive Fluoridated Compounds
- Reactive Brominated Compounds
- Reactive Powdered Metals
- Ammonium Salts

Hazardous Decomposition Products: None

SECTION 11	TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION
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Health Effects: see First Aid discussion in Section 4

Routes of Exposure: see First Aid discussion in Section 4



Symptoms Related to Exposure: see First Aid discussion in Section 4

Carcinogen Listing: Limestone is not listed by MSHA, OSHA, or IARC as a carcinogen, but this product contains crystalline silica, which has been classified by IARC as (Group I) carcinogenic to humans when inhaled.

SECTION 12	ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION
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Ecotoxicity: None Expected

Persistence and Degradability: N/A

Bioaccumulation Potential: This material shows no bioaccumulation effect or food chain concentration toxicity.

Mobility in Soil: Minimal mobility in soil.

Other Adverse Effects: N/A

SECTION 13	DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS
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Disposal Recommendations: Dispose of in accordance with all applicable federal, state, and local environmental regulations.

Regulatory Disposal Information: If this product as supplied, and unmixed, becomes a waste, it will not meet the criteria of a hazardous waste as defined under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act.

SECTION 14	TRANSPORT INFORMATION
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UN Number: Not Regulated

UN Proper Shipping Name: Not Regulated

Transport Hazard Class(es): Not Regulated

Packing Group: Not Regulated

Marine Pollutant (y/n): No

Special Precautions: None

SECTION 15	REGULATORY INFORMATION
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National Chemical Inventory Listings:

All chemical ingredients are listed on the USEPA TSCA Inventory List.

US Regulations:

RCRA Hazardous Waste Number: not listed (40 CFR 261.33)

RCRA Hazardous Waste Classification (40 CFR 261): not classified



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CERCLA Hazardous Substance (40 CFR 302.4) unlisted specific per RCRA, Sec. 3001;

CWA, Sec. 311 (b) (4); CWA, Sec. 307(a), CAA, Sec. 112

CERCLA Reportable Quantity (RQ) not listed.

SARA 311/312 Codes: not listed.

SARA Toxic Chemical (40 CFR 372.65): not listed.

SARA EHS (Extremely Hazardous Substance) (40 CFR 355): Not listed, Threshold Planning Quantity (TPQ): not listed

Specific State Regulations: ⚠️ **WARNING:** This product can expose you to chemicals, including crystalline silica, 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)

These naturally occurring impurities may also be regulated by other States.

Canadian DSL: Listed

Canadian NPRI: None of the components are listed

CEPA Toxic Substances: None of the components are listed

SECTION 16	OTHER INFORMATION
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Abbreviations:

N/A	Not Available or Not Applicable
IARC	International Agency for Research on Cancer
IATA	International Air Transport Association
ACGIH	ACGIH American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists
TWA	Time Weighted Average
PEL	Permissible Exposure Limit
TLV	Threshold Limit Value
REL	Recommended Exposure Limit

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