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Synthetic Ferrochrome Slag Grit

MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

All information in this MSDS is given in good faith and is accurate according to test results by accredited authorities.
This MSDS is subject to revision when additional information comes to light.

1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

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Trade Name:	Synthetic mineral slag-based grit.		
Chemical Family:	Ferrochrome		

2. COMPOSITION AND INGREDIENT INFORMATION

Hazardous components:	None
Common chemical name or generic name:	Not applicable
Hazchem Code:	Not applicable
UN / URG Number:	Not applicable

CHEMICAL COMPOSITION

Calcium Oxide	2%	Titanium Dioxide	1%
Magnesium Oxide	20%	Iron Oxide	8%
Aluminum Oxide	26%	Chrome 3 oxide	12%
Silicon Dioxide	32%		

This is not free Silica

3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Specific Hazards:	None
Flammability:	None
Chemical Hazard:	None
Biological hazard:	None
Reproductive Hazard:	None

Health effects:	None
Eyes:	Same as any other foreign object or dust.
Skin:	Same as any other foreign object or dust.
Ingestion:	No known hazards.
Inhalation:	Same as for nuisance dust.
Carcinogenicity:	Not applicable
Mutagenicity:	No known hazards.

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Product in eye:	Wash with clean water until dust or particle is removed. If object could not be removed by this method seek medical attention.
Product on skin:	Dust off or wash with water.
Product ingested:	No need to administer any remedy although water will help rinse stomach.
Product inhaled:	If person is overcome by dust cloud, introduction of clean fresh air is advised.

5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Extinguishing media:	The substance is not flammable and inert to all fire fighting media.
Special Hazards:	Not advisable for areas with a higher temperature than 1500 °c.
Protective clothing:	Only necessary in the blasting application.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions:	None
Environmental precautions:	None; Ferrochrome Slag is inert
Suggested method of cleanup:	Not applicable

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling:
No precautions needed, can be handled safely when loose or bagged.

Storage Precautions:
There is no unsafe storage for Ferrochrome based slag when suitable storage is being provided; (e.g. dry, undercover storage).
Do not allow direct contact with any type Acid.
Extended contact with highly acidic organic material and concentrated acid rain may cause leaching over an extended period of time.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROL AND PERSONAL PROTECTION

Occupational Exposure Limits (OEL): Total in-healable dust 0.5mg/m³
Engineering control measures: None

Personal protection during physical blasting activity:

- a. **Respiratory:** Suitable dust masks for nuisance dust.
- b. **Hand:** Leather or rubber gloves.
- c. **Eye:** Safety glasses or shield.
- d. **Skin:** Overall or other suitable clothing covering the whole body.
- e. **Feet:** Safety shoes or boots.
- f. **Other protection:** The end user for sandblasting operations must have a written Safe Working Procedure according to this MSDS.
- g. **Risk Assessment:** The end user for sandblasting operations must have a risk assessment done by a competent person before commencing with the blasting operation.



9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES:

Appearance: Dark Grey in color, particle sizes ranging between 0.212mm-2.0mm.
 Odor: Slight dusty odor.
 pH: 7.86
 Boiling Point: N/A
 Melting Point: 1600 - 1700 °C
 Flash Point: N/A
 Flammability: N/A
 Spontaneous combustion: N/A
 Explosive properties: Same as for any dust cloud mixed at the critical mixture with oxygen in closed confinement.
 Oxidizing properties: N/A
 Vapor pressure: N/A
 Apparent Relative Density: 3305Kg/m³
 Bulk Relative Density: 3287Kg/m³
 Water Absorptions: 0.2%
 Solubility -water: N/A
 Solubility -coefficient: N/A
 Neurotoxicity: None

Tested on 8 July 2003 by Secmet (Metallurgical and Corrosion Consultants) as follows:

Conductivity:	24.1	µS/cm	All within the OEL
Sulfate:	4.9	(mg/L)	
Soluble Sulphates	0.068%	(%)	
Nitrate:	0.3	(mg/L)	
Chloride:	19	(mg/L)	
Chloride Content:	0.02%	(%)	
Silicone Dioxide:	0.43	(mg/L)	

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Conditions to avoid:

- a. Storage in contact with acidic organic material over a long period of time.
- b. Highly acidic conditions.
- c. Dumping where leaching may occur
(Only when contaminated with hazardous material from spent (used) grit).

Incompatible materials:

- a. Acidic Inorganic material.
- b. Acids.
- c. Hazardous decomposition products: As listed above.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Measures physical blasting activity:

Acute toxicity: Dust may cause irritation to nose, throat and lungs.
 Skin and eye contact: Redness and soreness of the skin and tearing of eye tissue.
 Chronic toxicity: Ulceration of the Central Nasal Septum of the nose, chronic dermatitis, over a prolonged period.
 Carcinogenicity: Level of Hexavalent chromium is non-detectable.
 Mutagenicity: N/A.
 Reproductive hazards: None known.

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12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Aquatic toxicity:	(fish:)	None.
Aquatic toxicity	(daphnia:)	None known.
Aquatic toxicity	(algae:)	None known.
Biodegradability:		Negligible
Bio-accumulation:		None.
Mobility:		None

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Disposal methods of the spent (used) abrasive:

- Bag and store used grit and separate from unused grit to prevent contamination.
- Store under cover or under a tarpaulin.
- Dispose of at suitable site. (Spent abrasives may accumulate hazardous substances from the blasted surface, re-use not recommended due to possible conductivity risk.)
- When disposing of spent grit, consideration must be paid to the substance blast cleaned as it may contain hazardous material.
- Do not dispose of with acidic organic material

Disposal of packaging:

- Can be recycled or returned to manufacturer for re-use.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

International regulations:

Ferrochromium based grit used as a reference material may be shipped by road, rail or air freight. It is transportable in 30Kg bags, 1.5 ton bulk bags or in containers. No UN / ERG number required (see Chapter 8 of National Road Traffic Act).

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

National Legislation

Elements contained in this product are non-hazardous, and not listed in the Hazardous Chemical Substances Regulations for the Occupational Exposure Limit. Refer to Section 24 of the Constitution's Legislation and Standards pertaining to Health & Environment.

With regards to contamination of spent blasting abrasives; **The Department of Water Affairs and Forestry's Waste Management Series Volume 1, Second Edition 1998 states: "The aim in hazardous waste disposal, should not be to 'ban' chemicals or waste streams from accepting such streams in the environment. It should be to exert subtle and reasonable controls to make disposal acceptable. Acceptable would then imply that disposal should conform to acceptable risk."**

16. OTHER INFORMATION

Approvals:

Occupational exposure assessment has been done on the final product (actual blasting process). No detrimental health effects were identified. An occupational hygiene risk assessment was done at two of the end users substantiating this. Comprehensive chemical analysis of the product and air samples were done by SABS approved laboratories and an approved inspection authority.

This MSDS conforms with General Administrative Regulations of 6 September 1996 (ISO 11014 / ANSI Z400.1.1996) and South African Committee for Certified Reference Materials.

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