

The Surface Finishing Equipment Group Ltd



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TECHNICAL & MATERIAL

SAFETY DATA SHEET

STONEGRIT - CALCIUM SILICATE

Stonegrit is a synthetic mineral abrasives produced from mineral slags which are the by-product for furnace operations. Selected material is processed, graded then marketed as an abrasive grit mainly for use in conjunction with open nozzle blast cleaning equipment

The metals and oxides in form complex silicates, aluminates and oxides which as such do not constitute a hazard to health and safety.

Chemical Analysis	% Range
Iron Oxide (FeO)	1 - 5
Silica (SiO ₂)	45 - 55
Aluminium Oxide (Al ₂ O ₃)	10 - 20
Calcium Oxide (CaO)	25 - 40
Zinc Oxide (ZnO)	0 - 0.15
Copper Oxide (CuO)	0 - 0.15
Tin Oxide (SnO)	0 - 0.15
Nickel Oxide (NiO)	0 - 0.15
Lead Oxide (PbO)	0 - 0.15
Magnesium Oxide(MgO)	2 - 4
Manganese Oxide (MnO)	0 - 1
Free Silica	< 1 %

Properties	Value
Typical Conductivity (ms/m)	15
Chloride Content (ppm)	< 7
Hardness (mohs)	6 - 7
Bulk Density (Kg/dm ³)	1.45
Specific Gravity (Kg/dm ³)	3.1

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Current Legislation

The use of materials likely to cause silicosis, such as natural silica sand and ground quartz type rocks, is restricted or completely banned in most industrial countries. The risk of contracting silicosis by inhaling the respirable dust produced from these materials in blast cleaning is high and silica sand is prohibited in:

U.K. -The Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations 1999. Statutory Instrument No. 437.
Belgium -Royal Decree, 22.10.64 Netherlands - Zandstraal besluit, Stb 434 France - Decree 558, 6.6.69
Germany - Order on Hazardous Working Materials (T.RgS503).

Physical Properties -Non inflammable, non hydroscopic angular grit.

Product	Grain Size mm	Average Max Profile on Mild Steel # R max microns	Cleanliness Standard Attainable On Mild Steel *	Typical Uses
Stonegrit Coarse	2.5 – 1.4	100-150	Sa 2-1/2	As Standard grade on steel Removal of heavy coatings on stone facings. Aggregate exposure in concrete.
Stonegrit Fine	1.5 – 0.2	50-75	Sa 3	As Supa grade on steel General cleaning of stone, preparation of stainless steel prior to coating.
Stonegrit Extra Fine	0.7 – 0.2	25-50	Sa 3	Steel Cleaning of soft stonework and brick, provides uniform finish to uncoated aluminium and stainless steel. Removal of gel coat and paint surfaces from G.R.P. boats.

Equivalent to International Standard ISO 8503-1 (1988) and BS 7079 Part C1 (1989)
 Surface roughness category as determined by the comparator gauge.

* Indications of average maximum profile, R max, and cleanliness are based on test results obtained under controlled conditions on new mild steel plate with intact mill scale. Because of the large number of variables encountered in site conditions the user must satisfy himself as to the suitability of the abrasive for his particular purpose.

Standards -All our abrasives conform to the relevant part (i.e. non-metallic type) of International Standards Organisation specifications ISO 11126 and British Standard specification BS 7079 part F excepting that our particle size ranges for some grades differ from the ranges quoted in the standard.



MATERIAL HEALTH AND SAFETY DATA SHEET

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Product and Reference: Stonegrit
Calcium Silicate Synthetic Mineral

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1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE PREPARATION AND COMPANY

Company: The Surface Finishing Equipment Group Ltd

Product Code: Stonegrit

Intended Use: Abrasive Blasting Media

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2. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON COMPONENTS

Hazardous Components in Product under EC – no hazardous components. The material is a synthetic mineral with a strongly bonded matrix structure of different elements produced by quenching molten slag into cold water.

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Free Silica	< 1 %

All other elements are trace elements. There is analytically no free silica in this product.

3. HAZARD IDENTIFICATION

Main Hazards	Dust from handling operations
Health Effects - Eyes	Dust may cause slight transient irritation.
Health Effects – Skin	Repeated or prolonged contact may produce irritation.
Health Effects - Ingestion	None known
Health Effects - Inhalation	Exposure to dust may have the following effects:- irritation of nose, throat and respiratory tract,

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

General:

In all cases of doubt, or when symptoms persist, seek medical attention. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.

Inhalation:

Remove to fresh air, keep the patient warm and at rest. If breathing is irregular or stopped, administer artificial respiration. Give nothing my mouth. If unconscious, place in the recovery position and seek medical advice.

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Skin Contact:

Remove contaminated clothing. Wash skin thoroughly with soap and water or use a proprietary skin cleaner.

Ingestion:

Mouth rinse and give water to drink.

Eye:

Eye wash with plenty of water.

5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Extinguishing media: Water

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Recovery measures:

Product can be swept up dry or wet. Personnel should use appropriate personal protective equipment particularly if material is in powder form and dry.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling: Avoid breathing dust and spillage whilst handling.

The Manual Handling Operations Regulations may apply to the handling of bags when carrying out assessments.

Storage:

The storage and use of this product is not subject to any requirements but it should be kept dry where this is important for further process use.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS /PERSONAL PROTECTION

General:

- Persons with a history of asthma, allergies or chronic or recurrent respiratory disease should only be employed in processes in which this product is used under supervision.
- Persons with a history of skin sensitisation problems should only be employed in processes in which this product is used under appropriate medical supervision.

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Engineering Measures:

Provide adequate ventilation. Where reasonably practicable this should be achieved by the use of local exhaust ventilation and good general extraction during process use.

Occupational Exposure Standards:

1. Total dust Less than 10 mg per cubic metre 8h TWA
2. Respirable dust Less than 4 mg per cubic metre 8h TWA

Personal Protection:

All Personal Protective Equipment, include Respiratory Protective Equipment, used to control exposure to hazardous substances must be selected to meet the requirements of the COSHH Regulations.

Respiratory Protection:

None except where used in applications that would cause dust, and then appropriate respiratory protection should be used depending on the application.

Hand Protection:

When skin exposure may occur, advice should be sought from glove suppliers on appropriate types. Barrier creams may help to protect exposed areas of the skin but are not substitutes for full physical protection.

Eye Protection:

Eye protection designed to protect against exposure which should be an EC approved helmet in blasting operations.

Skin Protection:

Cotton or cotton/synthetic overalls or coveralls are normally suitable. Grossly contaminated clothing should be removed and the skin washed with soap and water or a proprietary skin cleaner.

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9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance:
Physical state: Solid, angular granules
Colour: Grey/ light brown
Odour: None

Safety relevant data:
Melting point: 1200 degrees C
Lower explosion limit: Not applicable.
Upper explosion limit: Not applicable
Specific gravity: 3.1 kg/dm
Bulk density: 1450 kg/dm
Hardness: 6-7 Mohs
Solubility in water: Insoluble.

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Stability Stable under normal conditions

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute Toxicity	No relevant studies identified
Irritancy - Eyes	Splashes in the eye may cause irritation and irreversible local damage
Irritancy - Skin	Repeated or prolonged contact with the product may lead to skin irritation
Sub-acute/Subchronic Toxicity	No relevant studies identified.
Chronic Toxicity/Carcinogenicity	Appropriate protective measures and good hygiene practices should be followed in order to minimise potential exposure.
Genotoxicity	No relevant studies identified.
Reproductive/Developmental	
Toxicity	No relevant studies identified
Human Data	Inhalation over long periods of time may constitute a health hazard
Additional Data	None

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12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

There is no data available on the product itself. The Air Pollution Control requirements of regulations made under the Environmental Protection Act may apply to the use of this product.

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

The material in its supplied form is non hazardous inert solid waste and is classified as such under Appendix A section 10 06 01 of the Consolidated European Waste Catalogue EC Landfill Directive (16 th July 2004),

The disposal of material after it has been used may cause the product to fall into a different category.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

UN Number	Not regulated
ADR/RID substance ID number	Not regulated
IMDG	Not regulated
Tremcard No. TEC ®	Not regulated

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

The information contained in this safety data sheet does not constitute the suppliers own assessment of workplace risks as required by other Health and Safety legislation. The provisions of the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act and the Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations apply to the use of this product at work.

16. OTHER INFORMATION

The information contained in this safety data sheet is based on the present state of knowledge and current national legislation. It provides guidance on health, safety and environmental aspects of the product and should not be construed as any guarantee of technical performance or suitability for particular applications, and we do not accept any liability for any loss or damage , however arising, which may result directly or indirectly from the use of this information.

Further information and relevant advice can be found in: The Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations 1988 (SI 1988. 1657).

The Manual Handling Operations Regulations 1992 (SI 1992:2793)

The Environmental Protection (Duty of Care) Regulations 1992 (SI 1992-2839).