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	Signal Word
Kaolin	N/A
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Chemtrec Emergency Phone Number: (800) 424-9891	Pictograms
SECTION 2 — HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION	
This chemical is considered nonhazardous according to GHS classifications for the Hazard Communication	
Standard. Treat all laboratory chemicals with caution.	
Although this material is considered to be nonhazardous, unpredictable reactions among chemicals are	
always possible. Prudent laboratory practices should be observed.	

SECTION 3 — COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Component Name	CAS Number	Formula	Formula Weight	Concentration
Kaolin	1332-58-7	[Al ₂ Si ₂ O ₅ (OH) ₄] _n	Varies	
Synonyms: China clay, Aluminum silicate hydroxide				

SECTION 4 — FIRST AID MEASURES

Call a POISON CENTER or physician if you feel unwell.

If inhaled: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.

If in eyes: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses if present and easy to do so. Continue rinsing.

If on skin: Wash with plenty of water.

If swallowed: Rinse mouth. Call a POISON CENTER or physician if you feel unwell.

SECTION 5 — FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Nonflammable solid. NFPA Code

When heated to decomposition, may emit toxic fumes.

None established

In case of fire: Use a tri-class dry chemical fire extinguisher.

SECTION 6 — ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Sweep up the spill, place in a sealed bag or container, and dispose. Ventilate area and wash spill site after material pickup is complete. See Sections 8 and 13 for further information.

SECTION 7 — HANDLING AND STORAGE

Flinn Suggested Chemical Storage Pattern: Inorganic #4. Store with hydroxides, oxides, silicates and carbonates. Store in a cool, dry place. Keep container tightly closed.

SECTION 8 — EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION

Wear protective gloves, protective clothing, and eye protection. Wash hands thoroughly after handling. Exposure guidelines: PEL 15 mg/m³ (as total dust) (OSHA); TLV 2 mg/m³ (respirable fraction) (ACGIH)

SECTION 9 — PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Aluminum silicate. Odorless. Specific gravity: 1.8-2.6

Soluble: Insoluble in water, dilute acids and alkali

hydroxides.

SECTION 10 — STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Avoid contact with strong oxidizers. Shelf life: Indefinite, if stored properly.

SECTION 11 — TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute effects: Irritating dust. ORL-RAT LD $_{50}$: N.A. Chronic effects: N.A. IHL-RAT LC $_{50}$: N.A. Target organs: N.A. SKN-RBT LD $_{50}$: N.A.

SECTION 12 — ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Data not yet available.

SECTION 13 — DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Please review all federal, state and local regulations that may apply before proceeding.

Flinn Suggested Disposal Method #26a is one option.

SECTION 14 — TRANSPORT INFORMATION

Shipping name: Not regulated. Hazard class: N/A. UN number: N/A.

SECTION 15 — REGULATORY INFORMATION

TSCA-listed.

SECTION 16 — OTHER INFORMATION

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N.A. = Not available, not all health aspects of this substance have been fully investigated.

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