



## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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### 1. Identification

**Product Name** Diatomaceous Earth

**Cat No. :** C3532

**Synonyms** Siliceous earth; Celite; Diatomaceous silica Laboratory

**Recommended Use** chemicals.

**Uses advised against** No Information available

**Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**

**Company**

Post Apple Scientific, inc.  
8893 Gulf Rd  
North East, PA 16428  
Tel: 814-725-3330

**Emergency Telephone Number**

CHEMTREC®, Inside the USA: 800-424-9300  
CHEMTREC®, Outside the USA: 001-703-527-3887

### 2. Hazard(s) identification

**Classification**

This chemical is considered hazardous by the 2012 OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

Carcinogenicity	Category 1A
Specific target organ toxicity - (repeated exposure)	Category 1
Target Organs - Lungs.	

**Label Elements**

**Signal Word**

Danger

**Hazard Statements**

May cause cancer  
Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure



### Precautionary Statements

#### Prevention

Obtain special instructions before use  
 Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood  
 Use personal protective equipment as required  
 Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray  
 Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling  
 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product  
 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area

#### Response

IF exposed or concerned: Get medical attention/advice

#### Inhalation

IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing

#### Storage

Store locked up  
 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed

#### Disposal

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

#### Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)

None identified

## 3. Composition / information on ingredients

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Kieselguhr, soda ash flux-calcined	68855-54-9	100
Silica, cristobalite	14464-46-1	<50
Quartz	14808-60-7	<4

## 4. First-aid measures

<b>General Advice</b>	If symptoms persist, call a physician.
<b>Eye Contact</b>	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Obtain medical attention.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Obtain medical attention.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Move to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Obtain medical attention.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
<b>Most important symptoms/effects Notes to Physician</b>	No information available. Treat symptomatically

## 5. Fire-fighting measures

<b>Unsuitable Extinguishing Media</b>	No information available
<b>Flash Point</b>	Not applicable

<b>Method -</b>	No information available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	Not applicable
<b>Explosion Limits</b>	
<b>Upper</b>	No data available
<b>Lower</b>	No data available
<b>Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact</b>	No information available
<b>Sensitivity to Static Discharge</b>	No information available

**Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical**

Non-combustible. None reasonably foreseeable.

**Hazardous Combustion Products**

None known

**Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters**

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear.

**NFPA**

<b>Health</b>	<b>Flammability</b>	<b>Instability</b>	<b>Physical hazards</b>
1	0	0	N/A

**6. Accidental release measures**

<b>Personal Precautions</b>	Use personal protective equipment. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid dust formation.
<b>Environmental Precautions</b>	Should not be released into the environment. See Section 12 for additional ecological information.

<b>Methods for Containment and Clean Up</b>	Sweep up or vacuum up spillage and collect in suitable container for disposal. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.
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**7. Handling and storage**

<b>Handling</b>	Wear personal protective equipment. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid dust formation. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Avoid ingestion and inhalation.
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<b>Storage</b>	Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place.
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**8. Exposure controls / personal protection****Exposure Guidelines**

Component	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH IDLH
Silica, cristobalite	TWA: 0.025 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	(Vacated) TWA: 0.05 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	IDLH: 25 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA: 0.05 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Quartz	TWA: 0.025 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	(Vacated) TWA: 0.1 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	IDLH: 50 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA: 0.05 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

Component	Quebec	Mexico OEL (TWA)	Ontario TWA EV
Silica, cristobalite	TWA: 0.05 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA: 0.05 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA: 0.05 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Quartz	TWA: 0.1 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA: 0.1 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA: 0.10 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

**Legend**

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration

NIOSH IDLH: The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health

<b>Engineering Measures</b>	Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.
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**Personal Protective Equipment**

<b>Eye/face Protection</b>	Wear appropriate protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles as described by OSHA's eye and face protection regulations in 29 CFR 1910.133 or European Standard EN166.
<b>Skin and body protection</b>	Long sleeved clothing.
<b>Respiratory Protection</b>	Follow the OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard EN 149. Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced.
<b>Hygiene Measures</b>	Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

<b>Physical State</b>	Solid
<b>Appearance</b>	White
<b>Odor</b>	Odorless
<b>Odor Threshold</b>	No information available
<b>pH</b>	9 - 10.5
<b>Melting Point/Range</b>	No data available
<b>Boiling Point/Range</b>	Not applicable
<b>Flash Point</b>	Not applicable
<b>Evaporation Rate</b>	Not applicable
<b>Flammability (solid,gas)</b>	No information available
<b>Flammability or explosive limits</b>	
<b>Upper</b>	No data available
<b>Lower</b>	No data available
<b>Vapor Pressure</b>	Negligible
<b>Vapor Density</b>	Not applicable
<b>Relative Density</b>	2.3
<b>Solubility</b>	Insoluble in water
<b>Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water</b>	No data available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	Not applicable
<b>Decomposition Temperature</b>	No information available
<b>Viscosity</b>	Not applicable

## 10. Stability and reactivity

<b>Reactive Hazard</b>	None known, based on information available
<b>Stability</b>	Stable under normal conditions.
<b>Conditions to Avoid</b>	Avoid dust formation. Incompatible products. Excess heat.
<b>Incompatible Materials</b>	Strong oxidizing agents, Acids, Strong bases
<b>Hazardous Decomposition Products</b>	None known
<b>Hazardous Polymerization</b>	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
<b>Hazardous Reactions</b>	None under normal processing.

## 11. Toxicological information

### Acute Toxicity

#### **Component Information**

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Quartz	500 mg/kg ( Rat )	Not listed	Not listed

**Toxicologically Synergistic Products** No information available

#### **Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure**

**Irritation** No information available

**Sensitization** No information available

**Carcinogenicity** The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen.

Component	CAS-No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Kieselguhr, soda ash flux-calcined	68855-54-9	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed
Silica, cristobalite	14464-46-1	Group 1	Not listed	A2	X	Not listed
Quartz	14808-60-7	Group 1	Known	A2	X	Not listed

*IARC: (International Agency for Research on Cancer)*

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*Group 1 - Carcinogenic to Humans*

*Group 2A - Probably Carcinogenic to Humans*

*Group 2B - Possibly Carcinogenic to Humans*

*NTP: (National Toxicity Program)*

*Known - Known Carcinogen*

*Reasonably Anticipated - Reasonably Anticipated to be a Human Carcinogen*

*A1 - Known Human Carcinogen*

*A2 - Suspected Human Carcinogen*

*A3 - Animal Carcinogen*

*ACGIH: (American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists)*

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**Mutagenic Effects** No information available

**Reproductive Effects** No information available.

**Developmental Effects** No information available.

**Teratogenicity** No information available.

**STOT - single exposure** None known

**STOT - repeated exposure** Lungs

**Aspiration hazard** No information available

**Symptoms / effects,both acute and delayed** No information available

**Endocrine Disruptor Information** No information available

**Other Adverse Effects** The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.

## 12. Ecological information

**Ecotoxicity**

Do not empty into drains.

**Persistence and Degradability** No information available

**Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation** No information available.

**Mobility** No information available.

## 13. Disposal considerations

**Waste Disposal Methods** Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. Chemical waste generators must also consult local, regional, and national hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

## 14. Transport information

**DOT** Not regulated

**TDG** Not regulated

IATA Not regulated  
 IMDG/IMO Not regulated

**15. Regulatory information**

All of the components in the product are on the following Inventory lists: X = listed

**International Inventories**

Component	TSCA	DSL	NDSL	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	PICCS	ENCS	AICS	IECSC	KECL
Kieselguhr, soda ash flux-calcined	X	X	-	272-489-0	-		X	X	X	X	X
Silica, cristobalite	X	X	-	238-455-4	-		X	X	X	X	X
Quartz	X	X	-	238-878-4	-		X	X	X	X	X

**Legend:**

X - Listed

E - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(e) Consent order under TSCA.

F - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(f) Rule under TSCA.

N - Indicates a polymeric substance containing no free-radical initiator in its inventory name but is considered to cover the designated polymer made with any free-radical initiator regardless of the amount used.

P - Indicates a commenced PMN substance

R - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 6 risk management rule under TSCA.

S - Indicates a substance that is identified in a proposed or final Significant New Use Rule

T - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 4 test rule under TSCA.

XU - Indicates a substance exempt from reporting under the Inventory Update Rule, i.e. Partial Updating of the TSCA Inventory Data Base Production and Site Reports (40 CFR 710(B)).

Y1 - Indicates an exempt polymer that has a number-average molecular weight of 1,000 or greater.

Y2 - Indicates an exempt polymer that is a polyester and is made only from reactants included in a specified list of low concern reactants that comprises one of the eligibility criteria for the exemption rule.

**U.S. Federal Regulations**

TSCA 12(b) Not applicable

SARA 313 Not applicable

**SARA 311/312 Hazardous Categorization**

Acute Health Hazard	No
Chronic Health Hazard	Yes
Fire Hazard	No
Sudden Release of Pressure Hazard	No
Reactive Hazard	No

Clean Water Act Not applicable

Clean Air Act Not applicable

OSHA Occupational Safety and Health Administration

**CERCLA**

Not applicable

**California Proposition 65** This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals

Component	CAS-No	California Prop. 65	Prop 65 NSRL	Category
Quartz	14808-60-7	Carcinogen	-	Carcinogen

**State Right-to-Know**

Component	Massachusetts	New Jersey	Pennsylvania	Illinois	Rhode Island
Kieselguhr, soda ash flux-calcined	-	-	X	-	-
Silica, cristobalite	X	X	X	X	-

Quartz	X	X	X	X	X
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**U.S. Department of Transportation**

Reportable Quantity (RQ): N  
 DOT Marine Pollutant N  
 DOT Severe Marine Pollutant N

**U.S. Department of Homeland Security**

This product does not contain any DHS chemicals.

**Other International Regulations**

**Mexico - Grade** No information available

**Canada**

This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations (CPR) and the MSDS contains all the information required by the CPR

**WHMIS Hazard Class** D2A Very toxic materials



## 16. Other information

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