

SALT GEL

SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

Product Identifier	SALT GEL
Other Means of Identification	Attapulgite Clay
Product Family	Viscosifier
Recommended Use	Drilling Fluids Additive.
Supplier Identifier	Bri-Chem Supply Ltd., Bay 4, 5510 - 3rd Street SE, Calgary, Alberta, T2H 1J9, Bri-Chem Supply, 403-252-5904, www.brichemsupply.com
Emergency Phone No.	ChemTrec, (800) 424-9300, 24/7

SECTION 2. HAZARD IDENTIFICATION

Classification

Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure) - Category 2

Label Elements



Signal Word:

WARNING!

Hazard Statement(s):

May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

Precautionary Statement(s):

Prevention:

Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.

Response:

Get medical advice or attention if you feel unwell.

Disposal:

Dispose of contents and container in accordance with local, regional, national and international regulations.

Other Hazards

Product is EXTREMELY slippery when wet.

SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Chemical Name	CAS No.	%	Other Identifiers	Other Names
Attapulgite	8031-18-3	>90		
Silica, quartz	14808-60-7	<10		

SECTION 4. FIRST-AID MEASURES

First-aid Measures

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Inhalation

Move to fresh air. Drink water and blow nose to remove particulates from nasal passages. Call a Poison Centre or doctor if you feel unwell.

Skin Contact

Immediately wash gently and thoroughly with lukewarm, gently flowing water and mild soap for 15-20 minutes. If skin irritation occurs, get medical advice or attention.

Eye Contact

Immediately rinse the contaminated eye(s) with lukewarm, gently flowing water for 15-20 minutes, while holding the eyelid(s) open. If eye irritation persists, get medical advice or attention.

Ingestion

Rinse mouth and then drink plenty of water. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious or convulsing victim. Call a Poison Centre or doctor if you feel unwell.

Most Important Symptoms and Effects, Acute and Delayed

If in eyes:

May cause slight irritation as a "foreign object". Tearing, blinking and mild temporary pain may occur as particles are rinsed from the eye by tears.

Immediate Medical Attention and Special Treatment

Special Instructions

Treat according to symptoms (decontamination, vital functions); no known specific antidote.

SECTION 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

Extinguishing Media

Suitable Extinguishing Media

Use dry powder, foam. Contaminated extinguishing water must be disposed of in accordance with official regulations.

Unsuitable Extinguishing Media

Carbon dioxide.

Specific Hazards Arising from the Product

Does not burn. The degree of risk is governed by the burning substance and the fire conditions.

Special Protective Equipment and Precautions for Fire-fighters

Product is EXTREMELY slippery when wet.

A full-body encapsulating chemical protective suit with positive pressure SCBA may be necessary.

SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment, and Emergency Procedures

Avoid dust generation. Ensure adequate ventilation. Use the personal protective equipment recommended in Section 8 of this safety data sheet.

Environmental Precautions

Contain contaminated water/firefighting water. Do not allow into any sewer, on the ground or into any waterway.

Methods and Materials for Containment and Cleaning Up

Stop or reduce leak if safe to do so. Avoid generating dust. Small spill: Pick up with suitable appliance and put into approved DOT containers for disposal. Large spill: Contain with dust-binding material and dispose of.

SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Precautions for Safe Handling

Only use where there is adequate ventilation. Avoid generating dusts. Good housekeeping is extremely important. Prevent dust accumulation on ALL surfaces including ceiling rafters and other hidden surfaces.

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. It is good practice to: avoid breathing product;

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avoid skin and eye contact and wash hands after handling. Thoroughly clean clothing, shoes and leather goods before reuse or dispose of safely.

Conditions for Safe Storage

Store in an area that is: dry, well-ventilated. Prevent dust build-up on ALL surfaces. Clean frequently. Avoid dry-sweeping. Use vacuum cleaner equipped with high efficiency filter. Keep container tightly closed.

SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

(Attapulgit)

PEL = Permissible Exposure Limits. 10 mg/m³. (Silica, quartz)

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Appropriate Engineering Controls

Use local exhaust ventilation and enclosure, if necessary, to control amount in the air.

Individual Protection Measures

Eye/Face Protection

Wear chemical safety goggles.

Skin Protection

Wear chemical protective clothing e.g. gloves, aprons, boots.

Respiratory Protection

Wear a NIOSH approved powered air-purifying respirator with an appropriate cartridge.

SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Basic Physical and Chemical Properties

Appearance	Grey - tan powder. Particle Size: Not applicable
Odour	Odourless
Odour Threshold	Not applicable
pH	8.0 - 9.5
Melting Point/Freezing Point	Not applicable (melting); Not applicable (freezing)
Initial Boiling Point/Range	> 537 °C
Flash Point	Not applicable
Evaporation Rate	Not applicable
Upper/Lower Flammability or Explosive Limit	Not applicable (upper); Not applicable (lower)
Vapour Pressure	Not available
Vapour Density (air = 1)	Not applicable
Relative Density (water = 1)	> 1.0 at 20 °C
Solubility	Insoluble in water; Not applicable (in other liquids)
Partition Coefficient, n-Octanol/Water (Log Kow)	Not applicable
Auto-ignition Temperature	Not applicable
Decomposition Temperature	Not applicable
Viscosity	Not applicable (kinematic)
Other Information	
Physical State	Solid
Molecular Formula	Not available
Molecular Weight	Not available
Bulk Density	368 - 880 kg/m ³
Surface Tension	Not applicable

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Critical Temperature	Not applicable
Electrical Conductivity	Not applicable
Vapour Pressure at 50 deg C	Not applicable
Saturated Vapour Concentration	Not applicable

SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Chemical Stability

The product is chemically stable.

Conditions to Avoid

Generation of dust.

Incompatible Materials

Strong oxidizing agents. Contact of dry hydrated aluminum-magnesium silicate with turpentine, vegetable oil, hydrofluoric acid, or other saturated organic compounds may generate heat.

Hazardous Decomposition Products

Upon heating above 900C for sustained periods, this amorphous material begins to transform to mixtures of crystalline phases.

SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Skin Corrosion/Irritation

(Silica, quartz) human experience shows mild irritation.
Possible drying resulting in dermatitis.

Serious Eye Damage/Irritation

May cause slight irritation as a "foreign object". Tearing, blinking and mild temporary pain may occur as particles are rinsed from the eye by tears.

STOT (Specific Target Organ Toxicity) - Single Exposure

Inhalation

This product may contain >0.1% crystalline silica. Repeated exposure to high concentrations results in silicosis, a lung disease characterized by coughing, difficult breathing, wheezing, scarring of the lungs and repeated, non-specific chest illnesses.

May cause irritation of the nose, throat and respiratory passages.

STOT (Specific Target Organ Toxicity) - Repeated Exposure

Long-term inhalation may cause silicosis, a progressive, disabling and sometimes fatal lung disease. Chronic inhalation exposure to crystalline silica quartz has been observed to cause lymph node effects, kidney effects and auto-immune disease.

Carcinogenicity

(Silica, quartz)

IARC: Group 1 – Carcinogenic to humans.

ACGIH®: A2 – Suspected human carcinogen.

The NTP has concluded that crystalline silica (respirable) may be reasonably anticipated to be a carcinogen, based on evidence for carcinogenicity in experimental animals and limited evidence in humans.

No information was located for: Development of Offspring, Sexual Function and Fertility, Germ Cell Mutagenicity, Interactive Effects

SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

The inhibition of the degradation activity of activated sludge is not anticipated when introduced to biological treatment plants in appropriate low concentrations.

Inorganic product which cannot be eliminated from water by biological purification processes.

SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

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Disposal Methods

In accordance with federal, provincial and local guidelines. CAUTION: Slippery when wet.

DO NOT discharge into drains/surface waters/groundwater.

Empty containers contain residual hazardous materials and must be disposed of in accordance with local regulations.

Recommend crushing, puncturing or other means to prevent unauthorized use of used containers.

SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

Not regulated under Canadian TDG regulations.

Special Precautions Not applicable

Transport in Bulk According to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code

Not applicable

SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Safety, Health and Environmental Regulations

Canada

WHMIS 1988 Classification



Class D2A

D2A - Very Toxic

SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION

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