

# SAFETY DATA SHEET DIA-SECTICIDE

(Non-Calcined Diatomaceous Earth Powder)

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1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE / PREPARATION AND THE COMPANY	
Trade Name:	Dia-secticide
Usage:	Absorbent.
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## 2. HAZARD IDENTIFICATION

Diatomaceous Earth is not flammable, combustible or explosive, and has no known adverse environmental effects. However it should be noted that this product may contain low levels of crystalline silica (quartz; CAS 14808-60-7). Quartz dust is injurious to the lungs.

## **Potential Health Effects**

**Inhalation:** Excessive inhalation of *respirable* crystalline silica (particles up to 10 microns

in size) can cause silicosis.

**Eye Contact:** May cause abrasion of the cornea. **Skin Contact:** May cause abrasion to skin.

**Ingestion:** No known health effect.

## 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

A natural amorphous silica:  $SiO_2$  with minor amounts of other elements. Typical mineralogical composition: 98% Diatomaceous Earth, 2% Quartz.

**CAS No** 61790-53-2

4. FIRST-AID MEA	SURES
Eyes:	May cause mechanical irritation which can result in redness, itching and lachrymation. If contact with the eye occurs, wash with copious amounts of water for approximately 15 minutes. Seek medical attention if irritation persists.
Skin:	May cause mechanical irritation in contact with the skin. Wash thoroughly with water. Wash clothes before re-use.
Ingestion:	Material is biologically inert. It is however highly adsorbent and could have a dehydrating effect if ingested in large amounts. Wash out mouth with water, and then give plenty of water to drink. Seek medical attention if irritation or other symptoms develop.
Inhalation:	May cause irritation of mucous membranes and upper airways. Symptoms may include sneezing, coughing and breathing difficulties. Move victim to fresh air and have the victim blow nose to remove excess dust. Ensure airways are clear. If breathing is difficult, a qualified person should give oxygen via a face mask. If irritation develops and persists, seek medical attention.
5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES	
Extinguishing Med	Diatomaceous Earth is compatible with all extinguishing media.  Use extinguishing media suitable for any other materials involved in a fire.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION	
Inhalation:	Silicosis of the lung may result from excessive inhalation of respirable (up to 10 microns in size) crystalline silica over an extended period.
Skin and Eye Contact:	Irritation to the skin or eyes is likely to be of a mechanical nature.
Ingestion:	No known toxicology due to accidental ingestion.

## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

No known adverse environmental effects. Non toxic to aquatic life.

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS	
Product Disposal:	Disposal should be via landfill. Care should be taken to ensure
	that product is covered to stop any dust particles becoming
	airborne. It should be noted that contamination may occur during
	use and it is the responsibility of the user to assess an appropriate
	disposal method in this situation.

## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

Diatomaceous Earth is not a hazardous material for purposes of transportation.

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION	
Risk & Safety:	Not classified as hazardous under the CHIP Regulations 2002
	Not classified as hazardous according to EC/2001/58 & EEC/67/548
Other	Health & Safety At Work Act 1974; Control of Substances Hazardous
Regulations:	to Health Regulations 2004 as amended; Environmental Protection
	Act 1990; EC Safety Data Sheet Directive EC/91/55.

#### **16. OTHER INFORMATION**

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Special Exposure	None known.
Hazards:	
Protective	Wear Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) and full
Equipment for Fire	protective clothing.
Fighting:	
Hazardous	None.
Combustion	
Products:	

6. ACCIDENTIAL RELEASE MEASURES	
Personal	Use personal protection appropriate to the situation and quantity
Precautions:	handled. The use of a dust mask, nitrile gloves and either goggles or safety glasses is recommended. If large amounts of dust are likely to be generated, use a respirator.
Environmental Precautions:	No known adverse environmental effects.
Spillages:	Scoop up spillages and place in a container. Avoid creating dusts. Wear appropriate respiratory protection, safety glasses and overalls as a precaution. When used to absorb a hazardous substance, handle as per that substance.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE	
Handling:	Irritation to the skin or eyes is likely to be of a mechanical nature. No known toxicology due to accidental ingestion. Where dust is generated, the use of a mechanical exhaust ventilation system is recommended.
Storage:	Store in original packs/containers away from oxidising materials.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION	
Occupational	Respirable Silica (up to 10 microns): 0.1mg/m³ TWA CHAN.
<b>Exposure Limit</b>	Amorphous Silica, respirable fraction: 2.4mg/m³ TWA OES.
(OEL):	Amorphous Silica, total inhalable dust: 6mg/m³ TWA OES.
Respiratory	The use of a dust mask is recommended. If large amounts of
Protection:	dust are likely to be generated, use a respirator.
Hand Protection:	Nitrile gloves should be worn.
Eye Protection:	Goggles or safety glasses should be worn.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES	
Physical State:	Powdered solid
Colour:	Grey
Odour:	Practically odourless
PH:	5.5
<b>Explosion Limits</b>	No known explosion hazards
(%):	
Solubility in Water:	Virtually insoluble
Bulk Density:	220 – 270 g/litre.
Flammability:	Not flammable
<b>Specific Gravity:</b>	2

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY	
Stability:	Stable.
Materials to Avoid:	Strong oxidising agents.