

Safety information

MORTAR MIX

Health and Safety Information In accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 (REACH) as amended by Regulation (EU) No 453/2010

SECTION 1: IDENTIFICATION OF THE MIXTURE AND OF THE COMPANY

1.1 Product identifier		
Product name	Cement, Lime, Sand and Mortar	
Substance	EINECS	CAS
Portland cement clinker	266-043-4	65997-15-1
Hydrated Lime (calcium dihydroxide)	215-137-3	1305-62-0
Trade name(s)	Quality Assured Mortar	

1.2 Relevant identified uses of the mixture and uses advised against

Mortars are used for building and construction work, such as masonry construction (brickwork and blockwork) and rendering, as well as for small repairs to existing construction. Mortars are used industrially, by professionals as well as by consumers in building and construction work, indoor and outdoor. The identified uses of cement containing mortars cover the dry products and the products in a wet state. See section 16.2 for more information regarding use descriptors and categories.

Any uses not mentioned above, are advised against.

1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Tarmac Cement and Lime Ltd,
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Email: info-cement@tarmac.com

1.4 Emergency telephone

Emergency telephone number available during office hours **(08:30 – 16:00):**

Tel +44 (0)345 812 6232 (English Language only)

Emergency telephone number available outside office hours: **999**

SECTION 2: HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

2.1 Classification of the mixture

2.1.1 According to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 (CLP)		
Hazard class	Hazard category	Hazard statements
Skin irritation	2	H315: Causes skin irritation
Serious eye damage/eye irritation	1	H318: Causes serious eye damage
Skin sensitisation	1B	H317: May cause an allergic skin reaction

2.2 Label elements

According to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 (CLP)

Hazard pictograms



Signal word

DANGER : Contains Portland cement clinker

Hazard statements

H315 Causes skin irritation

H317 May cause an allergic skin reaction

H318 Causes serious eye damage

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2.3 Other hazards

Cement does not meet the criteria for PBT or vPvB in accordance with Annex XIII of REACH (Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006). Hydrated lime does not meet the criteria for PBT or vPvB in accordance with Annex XIII of REACH (Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006). Cement dust may cause mechanical irritation of the eyes, skin nose and throat. When mortar reacts with water, for instance in wet (fresh) mortar, or when it becomes damp, a strong alkaline solution is produced. Due to the high alkalinity, wet cement may provoke skin and eye irritation.

Cement in the mortar is either naturally low in soluble chromium VI or reducing agents have been added to control the levels of sensitising soluble chromium (VI) to below 2 ppm (0.0002%) of the total dry weight of the cement ready for use according to legislation specified under Section 15.

SECTION 3: COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

3.1 Substances

Not applicable.

3.2 Mixtures

Contains less than 1% crystalline silica.

SECTION 4: FIRST AID MEASURES

4.1 Description of first aid measures

General notes

No personal protective equipment is needed for first aid responders. First aid workers should avoid contact with wet cement mortar.

Following contact with eyes

Do not rub eyes in order to avoid possible cornea damage as a result of mechanical stress. Remove contact lenses if any. Incline head to injured eye, open the eyelid(s) widely and flush eye(s) immediately by thoroughly rinsing with plenty of clean water for at least 20 minutes to remove all particles. Avoid flushing particles into uninjured eye. If possible, use isotonic water (0.9% NaCl). Contact a specialist of occupational medicine or an eye specialist.

Following skin contact

For dry cement, remove and rinse abundantly with water. For wet cement, wash skin with plenty of water. Remove contaminated clothing, footwear, watches, etc. and clean thoroughly before re-using them. Seek medical treatment in all cases of skin irritation (redness, rash, blistering) or burns.

Following inhalation

Move the person to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. Dust in throat and nasal passages should clear spontaneously. Contact a physician if irritation persists or later develops or if discomfort, coughing or other symptoms persist.

Following ingestion

Do not induce vomiting. If the person is conscious, wash out mouth with water and give plenty of water to drink. Get immediate medical attention.

Information on ingredients						
Substance	Concentration range (% by wt in cement)	Registration No.	EINECS	CAS	Classification Regulation (EC) 1272/2008	
					Hazard class category	Hazard statement
Portlant cement clinker	5-100%		266-043-4	65997-15-1	Skin Irritation cat 2. Serious eye damage/ eye irritation cat 1. Skin sensitisation cat 1B. STOT SE respiratory tract irritation cat 3.	H315: Causes skin irritation H318: Causes serious eye damage. H317: May cause an allergic skin reaction. H335: May cause respiratory irritation.
Hydrated Lime (calcium dihydroxide)	<5%	01-2119475151-45-0135	215-137-3	1 305-62-0	Skin Irritation cat 2. Serious eye damage/ eye irritation cat 1. STOT SE respiratory tract irritation cat 3.	H315: Causes skin irritation H318: Causes serious eye damage. H335: May cause respiratory irritation.



4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Eyes: Eye contact with concrete (dry or wet) may cause serious and potentially irreversible injuries.

Skin: Concrete may have an irritating effect on moist skin (due to sweat or humidity) after prolonged contact or may cause contact dermatitis after repeated contact. Prolonged skin contact with wet concrete may cause serious burns because they develop without pain being felt (for example when kneeling in wet concrete even when wearing trousers). For more details see Reference (1).

Inhalation: Repeated inhalation of dust of cements from concrete over a long period of time increases the risk of developing lung diseases. May cause respiratory irritation.

Medical conditions aggravated by exposure: Inhaling cement dust may aggravate existing respiratory system disease(s) and/or medical conditions such as emphysema or asthma and/or existing skin and/or eye conditions.

Environment: Under normal use, mortar is not hazardous to the environment.

4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

If in eyes, obtain prompt consultation, preferably from an ophthalmologist as this is the most severe hazard associated with the product. When contacting a doctor/physician, take this SDS or the product label with you.

SECTION 5: FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

5.1 Extinguishing media

Mortar is not flammable.

5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Mortars are non-combustible and non-explosive and will not facilitate or sustain the combustion of other materials.

5.3 Advice for fire-fighters

Mortar poses no fire-related hazards. No need for special protective equipment for fire-fighters.

SECTION 6: ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

6.1.1 For non-emergency personnel

Wear protective equipment as described under Section 8 and follow the advice for safe handling and use given under Section 7.

6.1.2 For emergency responders

Emergency procedures are not required. However, respiratory protection is needed in situations with high dust levels.

6.2 Environmental precautions

Do not wash concrete down sewage and drainage systems or into bodies of water (e.g. streams). Avoid release to the environment. Spillages or uncontrolled discharges into watercourses must be alerted to the appropriate regulatory body.

6.3 Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Collect the spillage in a dry state if possible.

Dry mortar

Use clean-up methods such as vacuum clean-up or vacuum extraction (Industrial portable units, equipped with high efficiency air filters (EPA and HEPA filters, EN 1822-1:2009) or equivalent technique) which do not cause airborne dispersion. Never use compressed air.

Alternatively, wipe-up the dust by mopping, wet brushing or by using water sprays or hoses (fine mist to avoid that the dust becomes airborne) and remove slurry. If not possible, remove by slurring with water (see wet mortar). When wet cleaning or vacuum cleaning is not possible and only dry cleaning with brushes can be done, ensure that the workers wear the appropriate personal protective equipment and prevent dust from spreading.

Avoid inhalation of mortar dust and contact with skin. Place spilled materials into a container. Solidify before disposal as described under Section 13.

Wet mortar

Clean up wet mortar and place in a container. Allow material to dry and solidify before disposal as described under Section 13.

6.4 Reference to other sections

See sections 8 and 13 for more details.

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SECTION 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE

Do not handle or store near food and beverages or smoking materials.

7.1 Precautions for safe handling

The "Good practice guides" which contain advice on safe handling practices can be found from: <http://www.nepsi.eu/agreement-good-practice-guide/agreement.aspx>. These good practices have been adopted under the Social Dialogue "Agreement on Workers' Health Protection through the Good Handling and Use of Crystalline Silica and Products Containing it by Employee and Employer European sectoral associations, among which CEMBUREAU.

7.1.1 Protective measures

Follow the recommendations as given under Section 8. To clean up dry cement, see Subsection 6.3.

Measures to prevent fire

Not applicable.

Measures to prevent aerosol and dust generation

Do not sweep. Use dry cleanup methods such as vacuum clean-up or vacuum extraction, which do not cause airborne dispersion. Do not blow off dust with compressed air.

Measure to protect the environment

No particular measures.

7.1.2 Information on general occupational hygiene

Avoid inhalation. Do not eat or smoke when using the product. Use protective clothing and gloves to avoid skin contact. Plastic (nitrile) covered cotton gloves are preferred to leather gloves. In a dusty environment, wear dust mask and protective goggles. Cleanse skin thoroughly after use and apply a skin care product. Change any wet clothing, shoes or gloves immediately. Contaminated work clothing should not be taken home.

7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Packed products should be stored in unopened bags clear of the ground in cool, dry conditions and protected from excessive draught in order to avoid degradation of quality. Bags should be stacked in a stable manner. Do not use aluminium containers for the storage or transport of wet cement containing mixtures due to incompatibility of the materials.

7.3 Specific end use(s)

No additional information for the specific end uses (see section 1.2).

7.4 Control of soluble Cr (VI)

For mortar containing cements treated with a Cr (VI) reducing agent according to the regulations given in Section 15, the effectiveness of the reducing agent diminishes with time. Therefore, mortar bags and/or delivery documents will contain information on the packaging date, the storage conditions and the storage period appropriate to maintaining the activity of the reducing agent and to keeping the content of soluble chromium VI below 0.0002 % of the total dry weight of the cement ready for use, according to EN 196-10. They will also indicate the appropriate storage conditions for maintaining the effectiveness of the reducing agent.

SECTION 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

8.1 Control parameters

8.1.1 Exposure limit values

(Workplace Exposure Limits (WEL))

WEL 8 hr Time Weighted Average (TWA):

Hydrated Lime (CAS No. 1305-62-0)

- 5mg/m³

Portland cement (CAS No. 65997-15-1)

- Total inhalable dust 10 mg/m³
- Respirable dust 4mg/m³

DNEL

Use	PC's*	DNELs
Professional or Consumer (DIY) use as a building and construction material	9a, 9b	Inhalation: 4mg/m ³ (as respirable dust) over an 8 hour shift Dermal: Could not be derived (see ES, section 16) Oral: Could not be derived (see ES, section 16)

*PC's are identified uses and defined in section 16.2

PNEC

Hazard Assessment		PNEC
Aqua	Fresh water	0.49 mg/L
	Marine water	0.32 mg/L
	Intermittent releases	1080 mg/kg soil dw
STP (sewage treatment plant)		3 mg/L
Soil		1080 mg/kg soil dw

8.2 Exposure controls

8.2.1 Appropriate engineering controls

Measures to reduce generation of dust and to avoid dust propagating in the environment such as de-dusting, exhaust ventilation and dry clean-up methods which do not cause airborne dispersion. Do not blow off dust using compressed air.

Use	Professional or Consumer (DIY) use as a building and construction material
PCs*	9a, 9b
Exposure	Several minutes - hours. 2 times per year. 1.25 m ³ /hr: Light working conditions
Localised controls	Protective goggles as well as face masks during dusty work. Work gloves should be chosen carefully (see section 8.2.2)
Efficiency	Not defined

8.2.2 Individual protection measures such as personal protection equipment

General

During work avoid kneeling in fresh mortar or concrete wherever possible. If kneeling is absolutely necessary then appropriate waterproof personal protective equipment must be worn. Do not eat, drink or smoke when working with cement to avoid contact with skin or mouth.

Before starting to work with cement, apply a barrier cream and reapply it at regular intervals. Immediately after working with cement or cement-containing materials, workers should wash or shower or use skin moisturisers. Remove contaminated clothing, footwear, watches, etc. and clean thoroughly before re-using them.



Eye/face protection

Wear approved glasses or safety goggles according to EN 166 when handling dry or wet cement to prevent contact with eyes.



Skin protection

Use watertight, wear-and alkali-resistant protective gloves (eg nitrile soaked cotton gloves with CE marking) internally lined with cotton; boots; closed long-sleeved protective clothing as well as skin care products (eg barrier creams) to protect the skin from prolonged contact with wet cement. Particular care should be taken to ensure that wet cement does not enter the boots.



Respiratory protection

When a person is potentially exposed to dust levels above exposure limits, use appropriate respiratory protection. The type of respiratory protection should be adapted to the dust level and conform to the relevant EN standard, (e.g. EN 149, EN 140, EN 14387, EN 1827) or national standard. An overview of the APFs of different RPE (according to EN 529:2005) can be found in the glossary of MEASE (16). Any RPE as defined above shall only be worn if the following principles are implemented in parallel: The duration of work (compare with "duration of exposure" above) should reflect the additional physiological stress for the worker due to the breathing resistance and mass of the RPE itself, due to the increased thermal stress by enclosing the head. In addition, it shall be considered that the worker's capability of using tools and of communicating are reduced during the wearing of RPE. For reasons as given above, the worker should therefore be (i) healthy (especially in view of medical problems that may affect the use of RPE), (ii) have suitable facial characteristics reducing leakages between face and mask (in view of scars and facial hair).

The recommended devices above which rely on a tight face seal will not provide the required protection unless they fit the contours of the face properly and securely.

The employer and self-employed persons have legal responsibilities for the maintenance and issue of respiratory protective devices and the management of their correct use in the workplace. Therefore, they should define and document a suitable policy for a respiratory protective device programme including training of the workers.

Thermal hazards

Not applicable.

8.2.3 Environmental exposure controls

Environmental exposure control for the emission of cement particles into air has to be in accordance with the available technology and regulations for the emission of general dust particles.

Air: Environmental exposure control for the emission of cement particles into air has to be in accordance with the available technology and regulations for the emission of general dust particles.

Water: Do not wash cement into sewage systems or into bodies of water, to avoid high pH. Above pH 9 negative ecotoxicological impacts are possible.

Soil and terrestrial environment: No special emission control measures are necessary for the exposure to the terrestrial environment.

SECTION 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

This information applies to the whole mixture.

- a. Appearance: Dry cement is a finely ground solid inorganic material (grey or white powder).
Main particle size: 5-30 µm
- b. Odour: Odourless
- c. Odour threshold: No odour threshold, odourless
- d. pH: (T = 20°C in water, water-solid ratio 1:2): 11-13.5
- e. Melting point: > 1250°C
- f. Initial boiling point and boiling range: Not applicable as under normal atmospheric conditions, melting point > 1250°C
- g. Flash point: Not applicable as is not a liquid
- h. Evaporation rate: Not applicable as is not a liquid
- i. Flammability (solid, gas): Non-combustible solid which does not cause or contribute to fire through friction
- j. Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits: Not applicable as is not a flammable gas
- k. Vapour pressure: Not applicable as melting point > 1250°C
- l. Vapour density: Not applicable as melting point > 1250°C
- m. Relative density: 2.75-3.20; Apparent density: 0.9-1.5 g/cm³

- n. Solubility(ies) in water (T = 20 °C): slight (0.1-1.5g/l)
- o. Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water:
Not applicable as product is an inorganic mixture
- p. Auto-ignition temperature: Not applicable (no pyrophoricity – no organo-metallic, organo- metalloid or organo-phosphine bindings or of their derivatives, and no other pyrophoric constituent in the composition)
- q. Decomposition temperature: Not applicable as no organic peroxide present
- r. Viscosity: Not applicable as not a liquid
- s. Explosive properties: Not applicable. Not explosive or pyrotechnic. Not in itself capable by chemical reaction of producing gas at such temperature and pressure and at such a speed as to cause damage to the surroundings. Not capable of a self-sustaining exothermic chemical reaction.
- t. Oxidising properties: Not applicable as does not cause or contribute to the combustion of other materials.

9.2 Other information

Not applicable.

SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

10.1 Reactivity

When mixed with water, cements will harden into a stable mass that is not reactive in normal environments.

10.2 Chemical stability

Dry concretes are stable as long as they are properly stored (see Section 7) and compatible with most other building materials. They should be kept dry. Contact with incompatible materials should be avoided. Wet concrete is alkaline and incompatible with acids, with ammonium salts, with aluminium or other non-noble metals. Cement from concrete dissolves in hydrofluoric acid to produce corrosive silicon tetrafluoride gas. Cement from concrete reacts with water to form silicates and calcium hydroxide. Silicates in cement react with powerful oxidizers such as fluorine, boron trifluoride, chlorine trifluoride, manganese trifluoride, and oxygen difluoride.

10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

Cements do not cause hazardous reactions.

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10.4 Conditions to avoid

Humid conditions during storage may cause lump formation and loss of product quality.

10.5 Incompatible materials

Acids, ammonium salts, aluminium or other non-noble metals. Uncontrolled use of aluminium powder in wet cement should be avoided as hydrogen is produced.

10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

Cement from concrete dissolves in hydrofluoric acid to produce corrosive silicon tetrafluoride gas. Cement from concrete reacts with water to form silicates and calcium hydroxide. Silicates in cement react with powerful oxidizers such as fluorine, boron trifluoride, chlorine trifluoride, manganese trifluoride, and oxygen difluoride.

SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Information on toxicological effects			
Hazard class	Cat	Effect	Reference
Acute toxicity - dermal	-	Limit test, rabbit, 24 hours contact, 2,000 mg/kg body weight - no lethality. Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.	(2)
Acute toxicity inhalation	-	No acute toxicity by inhalation observed. Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.	(9)
Acute toxicity - oral	-	No indication of oral toxicity from studies with cement kiln dust. Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.	Literature survey
Skin corrosion/irritation	2	Cement in contact with wet skin may cause thickening, cracking or fissuring of the skin. Prolonged contact in combination with abrasion may cause severe burns.	(2) Human experience
Serious eye damage/irritation	1	Portland cement clinker caused a mixed picture of corneal effects and the calculated irritation index was 128. Common cements contain varying quantities of Portland cement clinker, fly ash, blast furnace slag, gypsum, natural pozzolans, burnt shale, silica fume and limestone. Direct contact with cement may cause corneal damage by mechanical stress, immediate or delayed irritation or inflammation. Direct contact by larger amounts of dry cement or splashes of wet cement may cause effects ranging from moderate eye irritation (e.g. conjunctivitis or blepharitis) to chemical burns and blindness.	(10), (11)
Skin sensitisation	1B	Some individuals may develop eczema upon exposure to wet cement dust, caused either by the high pH which induces irritant contact dermatitis after prolonged contact, or by an immunological reaction to soluble Cr (VI) which elicits allergic contact dermatitis. The response may appear in a variety of forms ranging from a mild rash to severe dermatitis and is a combination of the two above mentioned mechanisms. If the cement contains a soluble Cr (VI) reducing agent and as long as the mentioned period of effectiveness of the chromate reduction is not exceeded, a sensitising effect is not expected [Reference (3)].	(3), (4), (17)
Respiratory sensitisation	-	There is no indication of sensitisation of the respiratory system. Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.	(1)
Gen cell mutagenicity	-	No indication. Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.	(12), (13)
Carcinogenicity	-	No causal association has been established between Portland cement or Hydrated Lime exposure and cancer. The epidemiological literature does not support the designation of Portland cement as a suspected human carcinogen. Portland cement is not classifiable as a human carcinogen (According to ACGIH A4: Agents that cause concern that they could be carcinogenic for humans but which cannot be assessed conclusively because of a lack of data. In vitro or animal studies do not provide indications of carcinogenicity that are sufficient to classify the agent with one of the other notations.). Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.	(1) (14)



Information on toxicological effects			
Hazard class	Cat	Effect	Reference
Reproductive toxicity	-	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.	No evidence from human experience.
STOT-single exposure	3	Product overall is not considered classified. The additivity method in accordance with Section 3.8.3.4.4. of CLP1272/2008 has been undertaken and it was found that <20% components are classified as STOT SE 3. Cement and hydrated lime dust from mortar may irritate the throat and respiratory tract. Coughing, sneezing, and shortness of breath may occur following exposures in excess of occupational exposure limits. Overall, the pattern of evidence clearly indicates that occupational exposure to cement dust has produced deficits in respiratory function. However, evidence available at the present time is insufficient to establish with any confidence the dose-response relationship for these effects.	(1)
STOT-repeated exposure	-	There is an indication of COPD. The effects are acute and due to high exposures. No chronic effects or effects at low concentration have been observed. Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.	(15)

SECTION 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

12.1 Toxicity

The product is not hazardous to the environment. Ecotoxicological tests with Portland cement on *Daphnia magna* [Reference (5)] and *Selenastrum coli* [Reference (6)] have shown little toxicological impact. Therefore LC50 and EC50 values could not be determined [Reference (7)]. There is no indication of sediment phase toxicity [Reference (8)]. The addition of large amounts of cement to water may, however, cause a rise in pH and may, therefore, be toxic to aquatic life under certain circumstances.

12.2 Persistence and degradability

Not relevant. After hardening, cement presents no toxicity risks.

12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

Not relevant. After hardening, cement presents no toxicity risks.

12.4 Mobility in soil

Not relevant. After hardening, cement presents no toxicity risks.

12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

Not relevant. After hardening, cement presents no toxicity risks.

12.6. Other adverse effects

Not relevant.

SECTION 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

13.1 Waste treatment methods

Do not dispose of into sewage systems or surface waters.

Product - mortar that has exceeded its shelf life

EWC entry: 10 13 99 (wastes not otherwise specified) (and when demonstrated that it contains more than 0.0002% soluble Cr (VI)): shall not be used/sold other than for use in controlled closed and totally automated processes or should be recycled or disposed of according to local legislation or treated again with a reducing agent.

Product - unused residue or dry spillage

EWC entry: 10 13 06 (Other particulates and dust). Pick up dry unused residue or dry spillage as is. Mark the containers. Possibly reuse depending upon shelf life considerations and the requirement to avoid dust exposure. In case of disposal, harden with water and dispose according to "Product - after addition of water, hardened".

Product - slurries

Allow to harden, avoid entry in sewage and drainage systems or into bodies of water (e.g. streams) and dispose of as explained below under "Product - after addition of water, hardened".

Product - after addition of water, hardened

Dispose of according to the local legislation. Avoid entry into the sewage water system. Dispose of the hardened product as concrete waste. Due to the inertisation, concrete waste is not a dangerous waste.

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EWC entries

10 13 14 (waste from manufacturing of cement – waste concrete or concrete sludge) or 17 01 01 (construction and demolition wastes - concrete).

15 01 02 (Plastic Packaging).

Packaging

Completely empty the packaging and process it according to local legislation.

SECTION 14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION

Mortar is not covered by the international regulation on the transport of dangerous goods (IMDG, IATA, ADR/RID), therefore no classification is required. No special precautions are needed apart from those mentioned under Section 8.

14.1 UN number

Not relevant.

14.2 UN proper shipping name

Not relevant.

14.3 Transport hazard class(es)

Not relevant.

14.4 Packing group

Not relevant.

14.5 Environmental hazards

Not relevant.

14.6 Special precautions for user

Not relevant.

14.7 Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code

Not relevant.

SECTION 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION

15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations/ legislation specific for the substance or mixture

EU regulatory information

Mortar is a mixture according to REACH and is not subject to registration. Cement clinker is exempt from registration (Art 2.7 (b) and Annex V.10 of REACH). The marketing and use of cement is subject to a restriction on the content of soluble Cr (VI) (REACH Annex XVII point 47 Chromium VI compounds).

National regulatory information

CONIAC Health Hazard Information Sheet No. 26 (CEMENT).

Health and Safety at Work etc Act 1974.

Control of Substances Hazardous to Health (Regulations).

PORTLAND CEMENT DUST – criteria document for an occupational exposure limit. June 1994 (ISBN 07176 – 0763 – 1).

HSE Guidance Notes EH26 (Occupational Skin Diseases – Health and Safety Precautions).

HSE Guidance Note EH40 (Workplace Exposure Limits).

Any authorised manual on First Aid by St. John's/St. Andrew's/Red Cross.

Manual Handling Operations Regulations
Environmental Protection Act.

15.2 Chemical Safety Assessment

No chemical safety assessment has been carried out for this mixture by the supplier.

A Chemical Safety Assessment has however, been carried out for the hydrated lime component. An exposure scenario (ES), for hydrated lime has been attached as Annex A. The included ES relate to the uses applicable to the Mortar Mix product

SECTION 16: OTHER INFORMATION

16.1 Indication of changes

This safety data sheet (v.2.0) includes the information required to meet the provisions of Regulation (EU) No. 453/2010 and replaces all previous versions. References to Directive 1999/45/EC have been removed.

16.2 Identified uses and use descriptors and categories

A Chemical Safety Assessment has been carried out for the hydrated lime component. The table below gives an overview of all relevant identified uses of Hydrated Lime. In relation to the Mortar Mix product, only one ES was deemed to be for an applicable use. For this specific use, a set of risk management measures or localised controls has been derived (see section 8) which need to be put in place by the user of mortar to bring the exposure to an acceptable level.

Identified Uses - Use Description	Category	Descriptor
SU 21 Consumer: Use of Hydrated Lime as a building or construction material	PC, 9a	Coatings and paints, thinners, paint removers
	PC, 9b	Fillers, putties, plasters, modelling clay
	ERC, 8c	Wide dispersive indoor use resulting in inclusion into or onto a matrix
	ERC, 8d	Wide dispersive outdoor use of processing aids in open systems
	ERC, 8e	Wide dispersive outdoor use of reactive substances in open systems
	8f	Wide dispersive outdoor use resulting in inclusion into or onto a matrix

16.3 Abbreviations and acronyms

ACGIH	American Conference of Industrial Hygienists
ADR/RID	European Agreements on the transport of Dangerous goods by Road/Railway
APF	Assigned protection factor
CAS	Chemical Abstracts Service
CLP	Classification, labelling and packaging (Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008)
COPD	Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease
DNEL	Derived no-effect level
EC50	Half maximal effective concentration
ECHA	European Chemicals Agency
EINECS	European Inventory of Existing Commercial chemical Substances
EPA	Type of high efficiency air filter
ES	Exposure scenario
EWC	European Waste Catalogue
FF P	Filtering face piece against particles (disposable)
FM P	Filtering mask against particles with filter cartridge GefStoffV Gefahrstoffverordnung
HEPA	Type of high efficiency air filter
H&S	Health and Safety
IATA	International Air Transport Association
IMDG	International agreement on the Maritime transport of Dangerous Goods LC50 Median lethal dose

MEASE	Metals estimation and assessment of substance exposure, EBRC Consulting GmbH for Eurometaux, http://www.ebrc.de/ebrc/ebrc-mease.php
MS	Member State
OELV	Occupational exposure limit value
PBT	Persistent, bio-accumulative and toxic
PNEC	Predicted no-effect concentration
PROC	Process category
RE	Repeated exposure
REACH	Registration, Evaluation and Authorisation of Chemicals
RPE	Respiratory protective equipment
SCOEL	Scientific Committee on Occupational Exposure Limit Values
SDS	Safety Data Sheet
SE	Single exposure
STP	Sewage treatment plant
STOT	Specific Target Organ Toxicity
TLV-TWA	Threshold Limit Value-Time-Weighted Average
TRGS	Technische Regeln für Gefahrstoffe
VLE-MP	Exposure limit value-weighted average in mg by cubic meter of air
vPvB	Very persistent, very bio-accumulative
w/w	Weight by weight
WWTP	Waste water treatment plant

16.4 Key literature references and sources of data

- Portland Cement Dust - Hazard assessment document EH75/7, UK Health and Safety Executive, 2006. Available from: <http://www.hse.gov.uk/pubns/web/portlandcement.pdf>.
- Observations on the effects of skin irritation caused by cement, Kietzman et al, *Dermatosen*, 47, 5, 184-189 (1999).
- European Commission's Scientific Committee on Toxicology, Ecotoxicology and the Environment (SCTEE) opinion of the risks to health from Cr (VI) in cement (European Commission, 2002). http://ec.europa.eu/health/archive/ph_risk/committees/sct/documents/out158_en.pdf.
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16.5 Relevant H-Statements

- H315: Causes skin irritation
H317: May cause an allergic skin reaction
H318: Causes serious eye damage

16.6 Training advice

In addition to health, safety and environmental training programs for their workers, companies must ensure that workers read, understand and apply the requirements of this SDS.

16.7 Further information

The data and test methods used for the purpose of classification of Common cements, are given or referred to in section 11.1.

16.8 Disclaimer

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