

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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### 1. Identification

**Product Name** Talc

**Cat No. :** T2-212; T2-500; T4-10; T4-500

**CAS No** 14807-96-6  
**Synonyms** Talcum; Soapstone (Powder/USP/Laboratory)

**Recommended Use** Laboratory chemicals.  
**Uses advised against** Food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use.

#### Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

##### Company

Fisher Scientific Company  
One Reagent Lane  
Fair Lawn, NJ 07410  
Tel: (201) 796-7100

##### **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

#### Label Elements

##### **Signal Word**

Danger

##### **Hazard Statements**

May cause cancer

**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

**Response**

IF exposed or concerned: Get medical attention/advice

**Storage**

Store locked up

**Disposal**

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

**Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)**

WARNING. Cancer - <https://www.p65warnings.ca.gov/>.

### 3. Composition/information on Ingredients

Component	CAS No	Weight %
Talc	14807-96-6	99+
Quartz	14808-60-7	0.1 - 1.0

### 4. First-aid measures

<b>General Advice</b>	Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Eye Contact</b>	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. In the case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Do not use mouth-to-mouth method if victim ingested or inhaled the substance; give artificial respiration with the aid of a pocket mask equipped with a one-way valve or other proper respiratory medical device. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Do NOT induce vomiting. Call a physician or poison control center immediately.
<b>Most important symptoms and effects</b>	None reasonably foreseeable.
<b>Notes to Physician</b>	Treat symptomatically

### 5. Fire-fighting measures

<b>Suitable Extinguishing Media</b>	Substance is nonflammable; use agent most appropriate to extinguish surrounding fire.
<b>Unsuitable Extinguishing Media</b>	No information available

**Flash Point** Not applicable  
**Method -** No information available

**Autoignition Temperature** Not applicable

**Explosion Limits**

**Upper** No data available

**Lower** No data available

**Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact** No information available

**Sensitivity to Static Discharge** No information available

**Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical**

Non-combustible. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors. Keep product and empty container away from heat and sources of ignition.

**Hazardous Combustion Products**

Silicon dioxide.

**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. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

**NFPA**

**Health**  
2

**Flammability**  
1

**Instability**  
0

**Physical hazards**  
N/A

## 6. Accidental release measures

**Personal Precautions**

Use personal protective equipment as required. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid dust formation. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Evacuate personnel to safe areas.

**Environmental Precautions**

Should not be released into the environment. See Section 12 for additional Ecological Information.

**Methods for Containment and Clean Up** Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Avoid dust formation.

## 7. Handling and Storage

**Handling**

Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Avoid dust formation. Use only under a chemical fume hood. Do not breathe (dust, vapor, mist, gas). Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Do not ingest. If swallowed then seek immediate medical assistance.

**Storage.**

Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Incompatible Materials. None known.

## 8. Exposure controls / personal protection

**Exposure Guidelines**

Component	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH	Mexico OEL (TWA)
Talc	TWA: 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	(Vacated) TWA: 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA: 20 mppcf	IDLH: 1000 mg/m <sup>3</sup> REL = 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (TWA)	TWA: 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup> STEL: 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Quartz	TWA: 0.025 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	(Vacated) TWA: 0.1 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA: 50 µg/m <sup>3</sup>	IDLH: 50 mg/m <sup>3</sup> REL = 0.05 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (TWA)	TWA: 0.025 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

Legend

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration

NIOSH: NIOSH - National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

**Engineering Measures** None under normal use conditions.

**Personal Protective Equipment**

**Eye/face Protection** 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.

**Skin and body protection** Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.

**Respiratory Protection** No protective equipment is needed under normal use conditions.

**Recommended Filter type:** Particle filter.

**Hygiene Measures** Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

<b>Physical State</b>	Powder Solid
<b>Appearance</b>	Off-white
<b>Odor</b>	Odorless
<b>Odor Threshold</b>	No information available
<b>pH</b>	No information available
<b>Melting Point/Range</b>	800 °C / 1472 °F
<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>	
Upper	No data available
Lower	No data available
<b>Vapor Pressure</b>	No information available
<b>Vapor Density</b>	Not applicable
<b>Specific Gravity</b>	No information available
<b>Bulk Density</b>	2.5 - 2.8
<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
<b>Molecular Formula</b>	3MgO4SiO2H2O
<b>Molecular Weight</b>	166.4003

## 10. Stability and reactivity

**Reactive Hazard** None known, based on information available

**Stability** Stable under normal conditions.

**Conditions to Avoid** Avoid dust formation. Excess heat.

**Incompatible Materials** None known

**Hazardous Decomposition Products** Silicon dioxide

**Hazardous Polymerization** Hazardous polymerization does not occur.

**Hazardous Reactions** None under normal processing.

## 11. Toxicological information

**Acute Toxicity****Product Information****Component Information****Toxicologically Synergistic** No information available**Products****Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure****Irritation** Irritating to respiratory system**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
Talc	14807-96-6	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed
Quartz	14808-60-7	Group 1	Known	A2	X	A2

*IARC (International Agency for Research on Cancer)**IARC (International Agency for Research on Cancer)**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)**ACGIH: (American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists)***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** None known**Aspiration hazard** No information available**Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed** No information available**Endocrine Disruptor Information** No information available**Other Adverse Effects** Tumorigenic effects have been reported in experimental animals.**12. Ecological information****Ecotoxicity**

This product contains the following substance(s) which are hazardous for the environment. .

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Talc	Not listed	LC50: > 100 g/L, 96h semi-static (Brachydanio rerio)	Not listed	Not listed

**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

#### United States of America Inventory

Component	CAS No	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive	TSCA - EPA Regulatory Flags
Talc	14807-96-6	X	ACTIVE	-
Quartz	14808-60-7	X	ACTIVE	-

#### Legend:

**TSCA** US EPA (TSCA) - Toxic Substances Control Act, (40 CFR Part 710)

X - Listed

'-' - Not Listed

**TSCA - Per 40 CFR 751, Regulation of Certain Chemical Substances & Mixtures, Under TSCA Section 6(h) (PBT)**

Not applicable

**TSCA 12(b)** - Notices of Export

Not applicable

#### International Inventories

Canada (DSL/NDSL), Europe (EINECS/ELINCS/NLP), Philippines (PICCS), Japan (ENCS), Japan (ISHL), Australia (AICS), China (IECSC), Korea (KECL).

Component	CAS No	DSL	NDSL	EINECS	PICCS	ENCS	ISHL	AICS	IECSC	KECL
Talc	14807-96-6	X	-	238-877-9	X	X	X	X	X	X
Quartz	14808-60-7	X	-	238-878-4	X	X	X	X	X	KE-29983

**KECL** - NIER number or KE number (<http://ncis.nier.go.kr/en/main.do>)

#### U.S. Federal Regulations

##### SARA 313

Section 313 of Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA). This product does not contain any chemicals which are subject to the reporting requirements of the Act and Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 372

##### SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories

Should this product meet EPCRA 311/312 Tier reporting criteria at 40 CFR 370, refer to Section 2 of this SDS for appropriate classifications.

**CWA (Clean Water Act)** Not applicable

**Clean Air Act** Not applicable

**OSHA** - Occupational Safety and Health Administration Not applicable

Component	Specifically Regulated Chemicals	Highly Hazardous Chemicals
Quartz	50 µg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA 25 µg/m <sup>3</sup> Action Level	-

**CERCLA**

This material, as supplied, does not contain any substances regulated as hazardous substances under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) (40 CFR 302) or the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) (40 CFR 355). There may be specific reporting requirements at the local, regional, or state level pertaining to releases of this material.

**California Proposition 65**

This product contains the following Proposition 65 chemicals.

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

**U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations**

Component	Massachusetts	New Jersey	Pennsylvania	Illinois	Rhode Island
Talc	X	X	X	X	X
Quartz	X	X	X	X	X

**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

**Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH**

Not applicable

Component	CAS No	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XIV - Substances Subject to Authorization	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XVII - Restrictions on Certain Dangerous Substances	REACH Regulation (EC 1907/2006) article 59 - Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC)
Talc	14807-96-6	-	-	-
Quartz	14808-60-7	-	-	-

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

Component	CAS No	OECD HPV	Persistent Organic Pollutant	Ozone Depletion Potential	Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS)
Talc	14807-96-6	Listed	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Quartz	14808-60-7	Listed	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

**Contains component(s) that meet a 'definition' of per & poly fluoroalkyl substance (PFAS)?**

Not applicable

**Other International Regulations**

Component	CAS No	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Major Accident Notification	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Safety Report Requirements	Rotterdam Convention (PIC)	Basel Convention (Hazardous Waste)
Talc	14807-96-6	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Quartz	14808-60-7	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

## 16. Other Information

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**Revision Summary**

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