

**1. IDENTIFICATION**

**Product Identity / Trade Name:** Rubbing Stones (Hand Rubs, Floor Rubs and Dressing Sticks)

**Product Use:** Abrasive materials used for sanding metals, concrete, masonry and building materials.

**Restriction on Use:** Use only as directed

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**2. HAZARD(S) IDENTIFICATION**

As sold, this product is a manufactured article. During use, dust generated has the following hazards:

**Classification:**

Physical	Health
Not Hazardous	Carcinogen Category 1 Specific Target Organ Toxicity – Repeated Exposure Category 1 (lungs)

**Labeling Elements:**

Danger!



**Hazard statement(s)**

H350 May cause cancer by inhalation  
H372 Causes damage to lungs through prolonged or repeated exposure by inhalation.

**Precautionary statement(s)**

P201 Obtain special instructions before use.  
P202 Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.  
P260 Do not breathe dust.  
P264 Wash thoroughly after handling.  
P270 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.  
P280 Wear eye protection.  
P308 + P313 IF exposed or concerned: Get medical attention.  
P405 Store locked up.  
P501 Dispose of contents and container in accordance with local and national regulations.

**3. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

Chemical name	CAS No.	Concentration
Silicon Carbide	409-21-2	0-98
Aluminum Oxide	1344-28-1	0-98
Boron Carbide	12069-32-8	0-98
Feldspar	68476-25-5	2-50
Kaolin	1332-58-7	2-50
Talc	14807-96-6	2-50
Crystalline Silica, Quartz	14808-60-7	2-50

The specific identity and/or exact percentage has been withheld as a trade secret.

#### 4. FIRST-AID MEASURES

**Ingestion:** If sanding dust is swallowed, seek medical attention.

**Inhalation:** If overexposed to sanding dust, remove victim to fresh air and get medical attention.

**Eye Contact:** Flush eyes thoroughly with water, holding open eyelids. Get medical attention if irritation persists. Obtain immediate medical attention for foreign body in the eye.

**Skin Contact:** Wash dust from skin with soap and water. Launder contaminated clothing before reuse.

**Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed:** Contact with grinding dust may cause mechanical eye and skin irritation. Inhalation of dust may cause nose, throat and upper respiratory tract irritation. May increase the risk of lung cancer. Risk of cancer depends on duration and level of exposure.

**Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment, if necessary:** Immediate medical attention is generally not required.

#### 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

**Suitable (and unsuitable) extinguishing media:** Use any media that is appropriate for the surrounding fire.

**Specific hazards arising from the chemical:** This product is not combustible, however, consideration must be given to the potential fire/explosion hazards from the base material being processed. Many materials create flammable/explosive dusts or turnings when sanded, machined or ground.

**Special protective equipment and precautions for fire-fighters:** Firefighters should wear full emergency equipment and NIOSH approved positive pressure self-contained breathing apparatus.

#### 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

**Personal precautions, protective equipment, and emergency procedures:** Wear appropriate respirator and protective clothing as needed to avoid eye contact and inhalation of dust.

**Environmental precautions:** Avoid release into the environmental. Report releases as required by local, state and federal authorities.

**Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up:** Pick up, sweep up or vacuum and place in a container for disposal. Minimize generation of dust.

#### 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

**Precautions for safe handling:** Use only with adequate ventilation. Avoid breathing dust. Wash thoroughly after handling and use, especially before eating, drinking or smoking. Consider potential exposure to components of the base materials or coatings being ground. Refer to OSHA's substance specific standards for additional work practice requirements where applicable.

**Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities:** Store in a dry location.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

### Exposure guidelines:

Silicon Carbide	3 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA ACGIH TLV (respirable fraction) 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA ACGIH TLV (inhalable fraction) 15 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA OSHA PEL (total dust) 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA OSHA PEL (respirable fraction)
Aluminum Oxide	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> ACGIH TLV (respirable fraction) (as Al metal) 15 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA OSHA PEL (total dust) 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA OSHA PEL (respirable fraction)
Boron Carbide	None Established
Feldspar	None Established
Kaolin	2 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA ACGIH TLV (respirable) 15 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA OSHA PEL (total dust) 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA OSHA PEL (respirable fraction)
Talc	None Established
Crystalline Silica, Quartz	$\frac{10 \text{ mg/m}^3}{\% \text{ SiO}_2 + 2}$ TWA OSHA PEL (respirable fraction) $\frac{30 \text{ mg/m}^3}{\% \text{ SiO}_2 + 2}$ TWA OSHA PEL (Total dust) 0.025 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA ACGIH TLV (respirable)

Note: Consider also components from base materials and coatings.

**Appropriate engineering controls:** Use local exhaust or general ventilation as required to minimize exposure to dust and maintain the concentration of contaminants below the occupational exposure limits.

### Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment:

**Respiratory protection:** Use NIOSH approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or where dust exposures are excessive. Consider the potential for exposure to components of the coatings or base material being ground in selecting proper respiratory protection. Refer to OSHA's specific standards for lead, cadmium, etc. where appropriate. Selection of respiratory protection depends on the contaminant type, form and concentration. Select and use respirators in accordance with OSHA 1910.134 and good industrial hygiene practice.

**Skin protection:** Cloth or leather gloves recommended.

**Eye protection:** Safety goggles, safety glasses with side shields or face shield over safety glasses with side shields.

**Other:** Protective clothing as needed to prevent contamination of personal clothing. Hearing protection may be required.

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

**Appearance (physical state, color, etc.):** Solid gray stone

**Odor:** No Odor

<b>Odor threshold:</b> Not applicable	<b>pH:</b> Not applicable
<b>Melting point/freezing point:</b> Not applicable	<b>Boiling Point:</b> Not applicable
<b>Flash point:</b> Not applicable	<b>Evaporation rate:</b> Not applicable
<b>Flammability (solid, gas):</b> Not combustible	
<b>Flammable limits: LEL:</b> Not applicable	<b>UEL:</b> Not applicable
<b>Vapor pressure:</b> Not applicable	<b>Vapor density:</b>
<b>Relative density:</b> Not applicable	<b>Solubility(ies):</b> Not soluble
<b>Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water:</b> Not applicable	<b>Auto-ignition temperature:</b> Not applicable
<b>Decomposition temperature:</b> Not applicable	<b>Viscosity:</b> Not applicable

## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**Reactivity:** Not reactive

**Chemical stability:** Stable

**Possibility of hazardous reactions:** None known.

**Conditions to avoid:** None known.

**Incompatible materials:** None known.

**Hazardous decomposition products:** Dust from sanding could contain ingredients listed in Section 3 and other, potentially more hazardous components of the base material being ground or coatings applied to the base material.

## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Routes of exposure:

**Ingestion:** None expected under normal use conditions. Swallowing large pieces may cause obstruction of the gastrointestinal tract.

**Inhalation:** Dust may cause respiratory irritation.

**Eye:** Dust may cause eye irritation. Dust particles may cause abrasive injury to the eyes.

**Skin:** None expected under normal use conditions. Rubbing product across the skin may cause mechanical irritation or abrasions.

**Chronic:** Long-term overexposure to respirable dust may cause lung damage (fibrosis) with symptoms of coughing, shortness of breath and diminished breathing capacity. Chronic effects may be aggravated by smoking. Excessive inhalation of respirable crystalline silica dust may cause a progressive, disabling and sometimes fatal lung disease called silicosis. Symptoms include cough, shortness of breath, wheezing, non-specific chest illness and reduced pulmonary function. Prolonged exposure to elevated noise levels during operations may affect hearing. A greater hazard, in most cases, is the exposure to the dust/fumes from the material or paint/coatings being sanded. Most of the dust generated during sanding is from the base material being sanded and the potential hazard from this exposure must be evaluated.

**Carcinogenicity:** Crystalline silica quartz is listed as "Carcinogenic to Humans" (Group 1) by IARC and "Known to be a Human Carcinogen" by NTP.

### Numerical measures of toxicity:

Silicon Carbide: Oral rat LD50 >2000 mg/kg, Dermal rat LD50 >2000 mg/kg

Aluminum Oxide: LD50 Oral rat >5,000 mg/kg, Inhalation rat LC50 >7.6 mg/L/1 hr

Feldspar: No toxicity data available

Boron Carbide: LD50 oral rat > 2000 mg/kg, LD50 dermal rat > 2000 mg/kg

Kaolin: Oral rat LD50 5000 mg/kg

Talc: No toxicity data available

Crystalline Silica, Quartz: Oral Rat LD50 >22,500 mg/kg

## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Ecotoxicity:

Silicon Carbide: No data available  
Aluminum Oxide: 96 hr LC50 Pimephales promelas 35 mg/L  
Feldspar: No data available  
Boron Carbide: 96 hr LC50 Oncorhynchus mykiss 100 mg/L/  
Kaolin: No data available  
Talc: No data available  
Crystalline Silica, Quartz: No data available

**Persistence and degradability:** Biodegradation is not applicable to inorganic compounds.

**Bioaccumulative potential:** No data available

**Mobility in soil:** No data available.

**Other adverse effects:** No hazards to the environment are expected from this product. However, consideration must be given to potential environment effects of the base material being processed.

## 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Dispose in accordance with all applicable local, state/provincial and federal regulations. Local regulations may be more stringent than regional and national requirements. It is the responsibility of the waste generator to determine the toxicity and physical characteristics of the material to determine the proper waste identification and disposal in compliance with applicable regulations.

## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

	UN Number	Proper shipping name	Hazard Class	Packing Group	Environmental Hazard
DOT	None	Not Regulated	None	None	
TDG	None	Not Regulated	None	None	

**Transport in bulk (according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code):** Not applicable – product is transported only in packaged form.

**Special precautions:** None identified.

## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

**SARA Section 311/312 Hazard Categories:** Not Applicable (manufactured articles)

**SARA Section 313:** This product contains the following toxic chemicals subject to the reporting requirements of Section 313 of Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 and 40 CFR Part 372 (Toxic Chemical Release Reporting): None

**California Proposition 65:** WARNING! You create dust when you cut, sand, drill or grind materials such as wood, paint, cement, masonry or metal. This dust often contains chemicals known to cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm.

## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

**NFPA Rating:** Health = 1      Flammability = 0      Instability = 0  
**HMIS Rating:** Health = 1\*      Flammability = 0      Physical Hazard = 0  
\*Chronic health hazard

**Date Previous Revision:** 12/14/12

**Date This Revision:** 3/31/15

**Revision Summary:**

12/14/12: Section 8 Exposure Limits; Comprehensive review.

3/31/15: Changed all sections. Updated format to GHS.

The preceding information is believed to be correct and current as of the date of preparation of this Material Safety Data Sheet. Since the use of this information and the conditions of use of this product are not within the control of United Abrasives, Inc., it is the user's obligation to assure safe use of this product.