# **Safety** Data Sheet



## 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

1.1 Product identifier

Product name BOTTOM ASH

Synonyms BORAL BOTTOM ASH ◆ ENVIR-O-AGG TM ◆ FURNACE ASH ◆ FURNACE BOTTOM ASH

1.2 Uses and uses advised against

Uses BACKFILL ● BUILDING APPLICATIONS ● DRAINAGE AGGREGATE ● FILL PRODUCT ● LANDFILL ●

POTTING COMPOUND • ROADBASE ADDITIVE • SAND (FINE & COARSE) • SOILS

1.3 Details of the supplier of the product

Supplier name BORAL AUSTRALIA

Address Triniti T2, Level 3, 39 Delhi Road, North Ryde, NSW, 2113, AUSTRALIA

**Telephone** (02) 9220 6300

Website http://www.boral.com.au

1.4 Emergency telephone numbers

**Emergency** 13 11 26 (Poisons Information Centre)

## 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

## 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

NOT CLASSIFIED AS HAZARDOUS ACCORDING TO SAFE WORK AUSTRALIA CRITERIA

## 2.2 GHS Label elements

No signal word, pictograms, hazard or precautionary statements have been allocated.

## 2.3 Other hazards

No information provided.

# 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

## 3.1 Substances / Mixtures

Ingredient	CAS Number	EC Number	Content
SILICON DIOXIDE (SILICA, AMORPHOUS)	7631-86-9	231-545-4	60 to 65%
IRON OXIDE (FE2O3)	1309-37-1	215-168-2	4 to 5%
FLY ASH	-	-	Not Available
MULLITE	1302-93-8	-	Not Available
QUARTZ (CRYSTALLINE SILICA)	14808-60-7	238-878-4	Not Available
ALUMINIUM OXIDE	1344-28-1	215-691-6	23 to 25%
TRACE METAL OXIDES	-	-	Not Available

Ingredient Notes Depending on the source materials, this product may contain trace amounts of respirable crystalline silica

(quartz), but unlikely to exceed 0.1% (wt).

# 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

## 4.1 Description of first aid measures

Eye If in eyes, hold eyelids apart and flush continuously with running water. Continue flushing until advised to

stop by a Poisons Information Centre, a doctor, or for at least 15 minutes.

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**Inhalation** If inhaled, remove from contaminated area. Apply artificial respiration if not breathing.

**Skin** If skin or hair contact occurs, remove contaminated clothing and flush skin and hair with running water.

Continue flushing with water until advised to stop by a Poisons Information Centre or a doctor.

Ingestion For advice, contact a Poisons Information Centre on 13 11 26 (Australia Wide) or a doctor (at once). If

swallowed, do not induce vomiting. Due to product form and application, ingestion is considered unlikely.

## 4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

See Section 11 for more detailed information on health effects and symptoms.

## 4.3 Immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Treat symptomatically.

## 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

## 5.1 Extinguishing media

Use an extinguishing agent suitable for the surrounding fire.

#### 5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Non flammable.

#### 5.3 Advice for firefighters

No fire or explosion hazard exists.

#### 5.4 Hazchem code

None allocated

## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

#### 6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Wear Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) as detailed in section 8 of the SDS. Clear area of all unprotected personnel. Ventilate area where possible. Contact emergency services where appropriate.

#### 6.2 Environmental precautions

Prevent product from entering drains and waterways.

#### 6.3 Methods of cleaning up

Contain spillage, then cover / absorb spill with non-combustible absorbent material (vermiculite, sand, or similar), collect and place in suitable containers for disposal.

## 6.4 Reference to other sections

See Sections 8 and 13 for exposure controls and disposal.

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

# 7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Before use carefully read the product label. Use of safe work practices are recommended to avoid eye or skin contact and inhalation. Observe good personal hygiene, including washing hands before eating. Prohibit eating, drinking and smoking in contaminated areas.

## 7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store tightly sealed in a cool, dry, well ventilated area, removed from incompatible substances, heat or ignition sources and foodstuffs. Ensure containers are adequately labelled, protected from physical damage and sealed when not in use. Check regularly for leaks or spills.

# 7.3 Specific end uses

No information provided.



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# 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

## 8.1 Control parameters

## **Exposure standards**

Ingredient	Reference	TWA		STEL	
		ppm	mg/m³	ppm	mg/m³
Aluminium & compounds	SWA [Proposed]		1		
Aluminium oxide (a)	SWA [AUS]		10		
Fumed silica (respirable dust)	SWA [AUS]		2		
Iron oxide fume (Fe2O3) (as Fe)	SWA [AUS]		5		
Quartz (respirable dust)	SWA [AUS]		0.05		
Quartz (respirable dust) (Precautionary advice)	WorkSafe VIC		0.02		

## **Biological limits**

No biological limit values have been entered for this product.

# 8.2 Exposure controls

Engineering controls Avoid inhalation. Use in well ventilated areas. Where an inhalation risk exists, mechanical extraction

ventilation is recommended.

PPE

**Eye / Face** Wear dust-proof goggles. **Hands** Wear PVC or rubber gloves.

**Body** When using large quantities or where heavy contamination is likely, wear coveralls.

Respiratory Where an inhalation risk exists, wear a Class P1 (Particulate) respirator. At high dust levels, wear a

Full-face Class P3 (Particulate) respirator.





## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

# 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance DARK GREY POROUS PARTICLES

Odour ODOURLESS
Flammability NON FLAMMABLE
Flash point NOT RELEVANT
Boiling point NOT AVAILABLE
Melting point > 1400°C

**Evaporation rate** NOT AVAILABLE

**pH** 9.1

**NOT AVAILABLE** Vapour density Relative density 1.6 to 1.7 Solubility (water) **INSOLUBLE** Vapour pressure **NOT AVAILABLE NOT RELEVANT** Upper explosion limit **NOT RELEVANT** Lower explosion limit **Partition coefficient** NOT AVAILABLE **Autoignition temperature** NOT AVAILABLE **Decomposition temperature** NOT AVAILABLE

Viscosity

Explosive properties

Oxidising properties

Odour threshold

NOT AVAILABLE

NOT EXPLOSIVE

NON OXIDISING

NOT AVAILABLE

9.2 Other information

Bulk density 600 kg/m³ to 700 kg/m³



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# 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

# 10.1 Reactivity

Carefully review all information provided in sections 10.2 to 10.6.

#### 10.2 Chemical stability

Stable under recommended conditions of storage.

#### 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

Polymerization is not expected to occur.

## 10.4 Conditions to avoid

Avoid heat, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources.

#### 10.5 Incompatible materials

Incompatible with acids (e.g. nitric acid) and alkalis (e.g. sodium hydroxide).

#### 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

Crystalline silica may form after the product is exposed to extended periods of high temperatures (> 900°C).

# 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

## 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

This product is expected to be of low toxicity. Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met. **Acute toxicity** 

Information available for the ingredients:

Ingredient	Oral LD50	Dermal LD50	Inhalation LC50
SILICON DIOXIDE (SILICA, AMORPHOUS)	3160 mg/kg (rat)		
IRON OXIDE (FE2O3)	> 5000 mg/kg (rat)		> 210 mg/m³/2wks (rat)
ALUMINIUM OXIDE	> 5000 mg/kg (rat)		

Skin Not classified as a skin irritant. Contact may result in mechanical irritation, redness and rash.

Not classified as an eye irritant. However, this product may cause mechanical eye irritation with redness and Eye

lacrimation.

Sensitisation Not classified as causing skin or respiratory sensitisation. Mutagenicity Insufficient data available to classify as a mutagen.

Insufficient data available to classify as a carcinogen. This product contains low levels of respirable Carcinogenicity

crystalline silica which is classified as carcinogenic to humans (IARC Group 1). However, there is sufficient information to conclude that the relative risk of lung cancer is increased in persons with silicosis. Therefore,

preventing the onset of silicosis will also reduce the cancer risk.

Reproductive Insufficient data available to classify as a reproductive toxin.

STOT - single

exposure

STOT - repeated

exposure

Not classified as causing organ damage from single exposure. Over exposure to dust may result in mechanical irritation of the nose and throat, with coughing.

Not classified as causing organ damage from repeated exposure. Repeated exposure to crystalline silica may cause lung fibrosis (silicosis), however due to the low levels of respirable crystalline silica in this

product, adverse health effects are not anticipated with normal use.

**Aspiration** Not classified as causing aspiration.

## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

## 12.1 Toxicity

Not expected to be dangerous to the aquatic environment.

# 12.2 Persistence and degradability

Product is persistent and would have a low degradability.

## 12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

No information provided.

## 12.4 Mobility in soil

A low mobility would be expected in a landfill situation.



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#### 12.5 Other adverse effects

The main component/s of this product are not anticipated to cause any adverse effects to plants or animals.

## 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

## 13.1 Waste treatment methods

Waste disposal Ensure product is covered with moist soil to prevent dust generation and dispose of to approved Council

landfill. Contact the manufacturer/supplier for additional information (if required).

**Legislation** Dispose of in accordance with relevant local legislation.

# 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

## NOT CLASSIFIED AS A DANGEROUS GOOD BY THE CRITERIA OF THE ADG CODE, IMDG OR IATA

	LAND TRANSPORT (ADG)	SEA TRANSPORT (IMDG / IMO)	AIR TRANSPORT (IATA / ICAO)
14.1 UN Number	None allocated.	None allocated.	None allocated.
14.2 Proper Shipping Name	None allocated.	None allocated.	None allocated.
14.3 Transport hazard class	None allocated.	None allocated.	None allocated.
14.4 Packing Group	None allocated.	None allocated.	None allocated.

#### 14.5 Environmental hazards

Not a Marine Pollutant.

### 14.6 Special precautions for user

**Hazchem code** None allocated.

# 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

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

Poison schedule

A poison schedule number has not been allocated to this product using the criteria in the Standard for the

Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP).

Classifications Safe Work Australia criteria is based on the Globally Harmonised System (GHS) of Classification and

Labelling of Chemicals (GHS Revision 7).

Inventory listings AUSTRALIA: AIIC (Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals)

All components are listed on AIIC, or are exempt.

## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

# **Additional information**

ALUMINO SILICATES: When alumino silicates have been exposed to service temperatures exceeding 982°C for prolonged periods, cristobalite, a form of crystalline silica may be formed. Exposure to cristobalite dust may cause pulmonary fibrosis-silicosis. A hazard is only anticipated during demolition of used refractory materials. Cristobalite is classified as carcinogenic to humans (IARC Group 1).

RESPIRATORS: In general the use of respirators should be limited and engineering controls employed to avoid exposure. If respiratory equipment must be worn ensure correct respirator selection and training is undertaken. Remember that some respirators may be extremely uncomfortable when used for long periods. The use of air powered or air supplied respirators should be considered where prolonged or repeated use is necessary.

#### PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT GUIDELINES:

The recommendation for protective equipment contained within this report is provided as a guide only. Factors such as form of product, method of application, working environment, quantity used, product concentration and the availability of engineering controls should be considered before final selection of personal protective equipment is made.

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#### **HEALTH EFFECTS FROM EXPOSURE:**

It should be noted that the effects from exposure to this product will depend on several factors including: form of product; frequency and duration of use; quantity used; effectiveness of control measures; protective equipment used and method of application. Given that it is impractical to prepare a report which would encompass all possible scenarios, it is anticipated that users will assess the risks and apply control methods where appropriate.

Abbreviations ACGIH American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

CAS # Chemical Abstract Service number - used to uniquely identify chemical compounds

CNS Central Nervous System

EC No. EC No - European Community Number

EMS Emergency Schedules (Emergency Procedures for Ships Carrying Dangerous

Goods)

GHS Globally Harmonized System

GTEPG Group Text Emergency Procedure Guide IARC International Agency for Research on Cancer

LC50 Lethal Concentration, 50% / Median Lethal Concentration

LD50 Lethal Dose, 50% / Median Lethal Dose

mg/m³ Milligrams per Cubic Metre
OEL Occupational Exposure Limit

pH relates to hydrogen ion concentration using a scale of 0 (high acidic) to 14 (highly

alkaline).

ppm Parts Per Million

STEL Short-Term Exposure Limit

STOT-RE Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure)
STOT-SE Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)

SUSMP Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons

SWA Safe Work Australia
TLV Threshold Limit Value
TWA Time Weighted Average

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