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## Hazardous Substance, NON-Dangerous Goods

### 1. MATERIAL AND SUPPLY COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product name: **FOSROC CONSTRUCTION GROUT**

Recommended use: Cement based grout. Applied by pouring.

<b>Supplier:</b>	Parchem Construction Suppliers Pty Ltd	Distributed in New Zealand by:
<b>ABN:</b>	80 069 961 968	Concrete Plus
<b>Street Address:</b>	7 Lucca Road Wyong NSW 2259 Australia	23 Watts Road Sockburn New Zealand
<b>Telephone:</b>	(02) 4350 5000	(03) 343 0090

Emergency telephone number: **Australia – 1800 033 111**      **New Zealand – 0800 734 607**

### 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

This material is hazardous according to criteria of EPA New Zealand.

**EPA Group Standard:** Construction Products (Toxic [6.7A]) Group Standard 2006; HSR002545



#### Signal Word

Danger

#### HSNO Hazard Classification

- 6.3A - Substances that are irritating to the skin
- 8.3A - Substances that are corrosive to ocular tissue
- 6.7A - Substances that are known or presumed human carcinogens
- 6.9 – Respiratory Tract Irritant
- 6.9B (Repeated exposure) - Substances that are harmful to human target organs or systems

#### Hazard Statement(s)

- H315 Causes skin irritation.
- H318 Causes serious eye damage.
- H335 May cause respiratory irritation.
- H350 May cause cancer by inhalation.
- H373 May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

#### Prevention Precautionary Statement(s)

- P102 Keep out of reach of children.
- P103 Read label before use.
- 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 hands, face and all exposed skin thoroughly after handling.
- P272 Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace.
- P280 Wear protective clothing, gloves, eye/face protection and suitable respirator.
- P281 Use personal protective equipment as required.

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## Response Precautionary Statement(s)

P101	If medical advice is needed, have product container or label at hand.
P302+P352	IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.
P332+P313	If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention.
P304+P340	IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.
P305+P351+P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
P308+P313	IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention.
P310	Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.
P314	Get medical advice/attention if you feel unwell.
P362	Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse.

## Storage Precautionary Statement(s)

P403+P233	Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.
P405	Store locked up

## Disposal Precautionary Statement(s)

P501	Dispose of contents/container in accordance with regional and national regulations
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## DANGEROUS GOODS CLASSIFICATION

Not classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the "Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road & Rail" and the "New Zealand NZS5433: Transport of Dangerous Goods on Land".

## 3. COMPOSITION INFORMATION

CHEMICAL ENTITY	CAS NO.	PROPORTION
Sand, containing >0.1% crystalline silica	14808-60-7	30 - 60%
Portland cement	65997-15-1	30 - 60%
Ingredients determined not to be hazardous	-	Balance
		<hr/> 100%

## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

If poisoning occurs, contact a doctor or Poisons Information Centre (Phone Australia 131 126, New Zealand 0800 764 766).

**Inhalation:** Remove victim from exposure - avoid becoming a casualty. Remove contaminated clothing and loosen remaining clothing. Allow patient to assume most comfortable position and keep warm. Keep at rest until fully recovered. Seek medical advice if effects persist.

**Skin contact:** If skin or hair contact occurs, immediately remove contaminated clothing and flush skin and hair with running water. Continue flushing with water until advised to stop by the Poisons Information Centre or a Doctor; or for 15 minutes and transport to Doctor or Hospital.

**Eye contact:** Immediately irrigate with copious quantities of water for 15 minutes. Eyelids to be held open. Remove clothing if contaminated and wash skin. Urgently seek medical assistance. Transport to hospital or medical centre.

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**Ingestion:** Rinse mouth with water. If swallowed, do NOT induce vomiting. Give a glass of water to drink. Never give anything by the mouth to an unconscious patient. If vomiting occurs give further water. Seek medical advice.

**PPE for First Aiders:** Wear overalls, safety glasses and impervious gloves. Avoid generating and inhaling dusts. If dust exists, wear dust mask/respirator meeting the requirements of AS/NZS 1715 and AS/NZS 1716. Available information suggests that gloves made from nitrile rubber should be suitable for intermittent contact. However, due to variations in glove construction and local conditions, the user should make a final assessment. Always wash hands before smoking, eating, drinking or using the toilet. Wash contaminated clothing and other protective equipment before storing or re-using.

**Notes to physician:** Treat symptomatically. Can cause corneal burns.

## 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

**Hazchem Code:** Not applicable.

**Suitable extinguishing media:** Not combustible, however, if material is involved in a fire use water fog (or if unavailable fine water spray), foam, dry agent (carbon dioxide, dry chemical powder).

**Specific hazards:** Non-combustible material.

**Fire fighting further advice:** On decomposing may emit toxic fumes. Fire fighters to wear self-contained breathing apparatus and suitable protective clothing if risk of exposure to products of decomposition.

## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

### SMALL SPILLS

Wear protective equipment to prevent skin and eye contamination. Wipe up with absorbent (clean rag or paper towels). Allow absorbent to dry before disposing with normal household garbage.

### LARGE SPILLS

Wear protective equipment to prevent skin and eye contamination and the inhalation of dust. Work up wind or increase ventilation. Cover with damp absorbent (inert material, sand or soil). Sweep or vacuum up, but avoid generating dust. Collect and seal in properly labelled drums for disposal. If contamination of sewers or waterways has occurred advise local emergency services.

**Dangerous Goods – Initial Emergency Response Guide No:** Not applicable.

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

**Handling:** Avoid skin and eye contact and inhalation of dust.

**Storage:** Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated place and out of direct sunlight. Store away from incompatible materials described in Section 10. Keep containers closed when not in use - check regularly for spills.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS AND PERSONAL PROTECTION

**National occupational exposure limits:** No value assigned for this specific material by the Department of Labour New Zealand.

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However for:

	WES - TWA		STEL		CARCINOGEN CATEGORY	NOTICES
	ppm	mg/m3	ppm	mg/m3		
Portland cement	-	10	-	-	-	-
Silica crystalline, respirable dust	-	0.1	-	-	-	-

As published by the Department of Labour New Zealand.

WES-TWA (Workplace Exposure Standard – Time-weighted Average). The time-weighted average exposure standard designed to protect the worker for the effects of long-term exposure.

These Exposure Standards are guides to be used in the control of occupational health hazards. All atmospheric contamination should be kept too as low a level as is workable. These exposure standards should not be used as fine dividing lines between safe and dangerous concentrations of chemicals. They are not a measure of relative toxicity.

If the directions for use on the product label are followed, exposure of individuals using the product should not exceed the above standard. The standard was created for workers who are routinely, potentially exposed during product manufacture.

**Biological Limit Values:** As per the “National Model Regulations for the Control of Workplace Hazardous Substances (Safe Work Australia)” the ingredients in this material do not have a Biological Limit Allocated.

**Engineering measures:** Use only in well ventilated areas. Avoid generating and inhaling dusts. Use with local exhaust ventilation or while wearing dust mask. Keep containers closed when not in use.

**Personal protection equipment:** VIOLET: OVERALLS, SAFETY SHOES, SAFETY GLASSES, GLOVES, DUST MASK.

Wear overalls, chemical goggles and impervious gloves. Avoid generating and inhaling dusts. If dust exists, wear dust mask/respirator meeting the requirements of AS/NZS 1715 and AS/NZS 1716. Available information suggests that gloves made from nitrile rubber should be suitable for intermittent contact. However, due to variations in glove construction and local conditions, the user should make a final assessment. Always wash hands before smoking, eating, drinking or using the toilet. Wash contaminated clothing and other protective equipment before storing or re-using.

**Hygiene measures:** Keep away from food, drink and animal feeding stuffs. When using do not eat, drink or smoke. Avoid skin and eye contact and inhalation of dust. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

**Form / Colour / Odour:** Grey powder containing fine aggregate with a cementitious odour.

<b>Solubility:</b>	Insoluble in water
<b>Specific Gravity (23°C):</b>	1.35
<b>Relative Vapour Density (air=1):</b>	N App
<b>Vapour Pressure (20 °C):</b>	N App
<b>Flash Point (°C):</b>	N App
<b>Flammability Limits (%):</b>	N App
<b>Autoignition Temperature (°C):</b>	N App
<b>% Volatile by Volume:</b>	N App
<b>Melting Point/Range (°C):</b>	N Av

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**Boiling Point/Range (°C):** N Av  
**Decomposition Point (°C):** N Av  
**pH:** N Av  
**Viscosity:** N App

(Typical values only - consult specification sheet)  
N Av = Not available                      N App = Not applicable

## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**Reactivity:** No reactivity hazards are known for the material.

**Chemical stability:** This material is thermally stable when stored and used as directed.

**Hazardous reactions:** No known hazardous reactions.

**Conditions to avoid:** Extremes of temperature and direct sunlight.

**Incompatible materials:** Oxidising agents and acids. Avoid contact with water. Wet cement is alkaline.

**Hazardous decomposition products:** Oxides of silica.

## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

No adverse health effects expected if the product is handled in accordance with this Safety Data Sheet and the product label. Symptoms or effects that may arise if the product is mishandled and overexposure occurs are:

### Acute Effects

**Inhalation:** Material is an irritant to mucous membranes and respiratory tract.

**Skin contact:** Contact with skin will result in moderate irritation. Will have a degreasing action on the skin. Repeated or prolonged skin contact may lead to irritant contact dermatitis.

**Ingestion:** Swallowing can result in nausea, vomiting and irritation of the gastrointestinal tract.

**Eye contact:** A severe eye irritant. Corrosive to eyes: contact can cause corneal burns. Contamination of eyes can result in permanent injury. Exposure to the dust may cause discomfort due to particulate nature. May cause physical irritation to the eyes.

### Acute toxicity

**Inhalation:** This material has been classified as non-hazardous.

**Skin contact:** This material has been classified as non-hazardous.

**Ingestion:** This material has been classified as non-hazardous.

**Corrosion/Irritancy:** Eye: this material has been classified as a Category 8.3A Hazard (irreversible effects to eyes).

Skin: this material has been classified as a Category 6.3A Hazard (irritant to skin).

**Sensitisation:** Inhalation: this material has been classified as not a respiratory sensitiser.

Skin: this material has been classified as a not a skin sensitiser.

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**Aspiration hazard:** This material has been classified as non-hazardous.

**Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure):** This material has been classified as a Category 3 Hazard. Exposure via inhalation may result in respiratory irritation.

## Chronic Toxicity

**Mutagenicity:** This material has been classified as non-hazardous.

**Carcinogenicity:** This material has been classified as a Category 6.7A Hazard.

**Reproductive toxicity (including via lactation):** This material has been classified as non-hazardous.

**Specific target organ toxicity (repeat exposure):** This material has been classified as a Category 6.9B Hazard. Exposure via inhalation may result in effects on the lungs, ie. silicosis.

## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Avoid contaminating waterways.

**Acute aquatic hazard:** No information is available to complete an assessment.

**Long-term aquatic hazard:** No information is available to complete an assessment.

**Ecotoxicity:** No information available.

**Persistence and degradability:** No information available.

**Bioaccumulative potential:** No information available.

**Mobility:** No information available.

## 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Persons conducting disposal, recycling or reclamation activities should ensure that appropriate personal protection equipment is used, see "Section 8. Exposure Controls and Personal Protection" of this SDS.

If possible material and its container should be recycled. If material or container cannot be recycled, dispose in accordance with local, regional, national and international Regulations.

## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

### ROAD AND RAIL TRANSPORT

Not classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the "Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road & Rail" and the "New Zealand NZS5433: Transport of Dangerous Goods on Land".

### MARINE TRANSPORT

Not classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG Code) for transport by sea.

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## AIR TRANSPORT

Not classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the International Air Transport Association (IATA) Dangerous Goods Regulations for transport by air.

## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

**This material is not subject to the following international agreements:**

Montreal Protocol (Ozone depleting substances)  
The Stockholm Convention (Persistent Organic Pollutants)  
The Rotterdam Convention (Prior Informed Consent)  
Basel Convention (Hazardous Waste)  
International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships (MARPOL)

**This material/constituent(s) is covered by the following requirements:**

- All the constituents of this material are listed on the *Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)*.

## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

### Literary reference

This Safety Data Sheet has been prepared by Chemical Data Services Pty Ltd ([chemdata.com.au](http://chemdata.com.au)) on behalf of its client.

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Safety Data Sheets are updated frequently. Please ensure that you have a current copy.

This SDS summarises at the date of issue our best knowledge of the health and safety hazard information of the product, and in particular how to safely handle and use the product in the workplace. Since Parchem Construction Supplies Pty Ltd and Concrete Plus cannot anticipate or control the conditions under which the product may be used, each user must, prior to usage, review this SDS in the context of how the user intends to handle and use the product in the workplace.

If clarification or further information is needed to ensure that an appropriate assessment can be made, the user should contact this company.

Our responsibility for product as sold is subject to our standard terms and conditions, a copy of which is sent to our customers and is also available upon request.