SAFETY DATA SHEET



Alpha Cutting Discs

SHEFFIELD GROUP

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SECTION 1 IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE / MIXTURE AND OF THE COMPANY / UNDERTAKING

Product Identifier		
	Product name	Alpha Cutting Discs
	Synonyms	Various
	Other means of identification	Not Available

Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Relevant identified uses Grinding / cutting	it identified uses Grinding / cutting	
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Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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Emergency telephone number

Association / Organisation	Poisons Information Centre
Emergency telephone numbers	13 11 26
Other emergency telephone numbers	Not Available

SECTION 2 HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Classification of the substance or mixture

HAZARDOUS CHEMICAL. NON-DANGEROUS GOODS. According to the WHS Regulations and the ADG Code.

Poisons Schedule	Not Applicable	
GHS Classification [1] Eye Irritation Category 2A, Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure Category 3 (respiratory tract irritation), Skin Corrosion/Irritation Category 2, Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure Category 1		
Legend:	nd: 1. Classified by Chernwatch; 2. Classification drawn from HSIS; 3. Classification drawn from EC Directive 1272/2008 - Annex VI	
Label elements		
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SIGNAL WORD DANGER

Hazard statement(s)

H319	Causes serious eye irritation
H372	Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure. (Bone, Respiratory system) (Inhalation)
H315	Causes skin irritation.
H335	May cause respiratory irritation.

Precautionary statement(s) Prevention

P260	Do not breathe dust / fumes
P270	Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
P271	Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.
P280	Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.

Precautionary statement(s) Response

P314	Get medical advice/attention if you feel unwell.
P305+P351+P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
P337+P313	If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.
P302+P352	IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of water and soap.
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.
P362	Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse.

Precautionary statement(s) Storage

P405 Store locked up. P403+P233 Store in a well-ve

P233	Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.

Precautionary statement(s) Disposal

P501 Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local regulations.

SECTION 3 COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Substances

See section below for composition of Mixtures

Mixtures

CAS No	%[weight]	Name
1344-28-1	<95	Aluminium oxide
409-21-2	<95	Silicon carbide
15096-52-3	<20	sodium_aluminium fluoride
65997-17-3	<20	fiberglass reinforcements
7704-34-9	<2	Sulphur
//04-34-9	<2	Sulphur

NOTE: The tools may be comprised of one or more of the above abrasives and ingredients

SECTION 4 FIRST AID MEASURES

Description of first aid measures

Eye Contact	If this product comes in contact with the eyes: Wash out immediately with fresh running water. Ensure complete irrigation of the eye by keeping eyelids apart and away from eye and moving the eyelids by occasionally lifting the upper and lower lids. Seek medical attention without delay; if pain persists or recurs Removal of contact lenses after an eye injury should only be undertaken by skilled personnel.
Skin Contact	If skin contact occurs: Immediately wash with soap and running water If irritation occurs seek medical attention without delay
Inhalation	If dust is inhaled: Lay patient down. Keep warm and rested. Prostheses such as false teeth, which may block airway, should be removed, where possible, prior to initiating first aid procedures. Apply artificial respiration if not breathing, preferably with a demand valve resuscitator, bag-valve mask device, or pocket mask as trained. Perform CPR if necessary. Seek medical advice/ attention
Ingestion	If ingested: Do not induce vomiting Do not give anything by mouth if patient is unconscious. Give a slurry of 3 table spoons of activated charcoal in water to drink. Seek medical attention

Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Treat symptomatically.

SECTION 5 FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

Extinguishing media		
Extinguishing media	There is no restriction on the type of extinguisher which may be used. Use extinguishing media suitable for surrounding area.	
Special hazards arising fro	m the substrate or mixture	
Fire incompatibility None known		
Advice for firefighters Fire fighting	Wear breathing apparatus plus protective gloves in the event of a fire. Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water courses. Use firefighting procedures suitable for surrounding area.	
Fire/Explosion Hazard	Noncombustible. Not considered a significant fire risk, however containers may burn. Decomposition may produce toxic fumes of hydrogen fluoride, carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, sulfur oxides, silicon dioxide Slight hazard when exposed to heat, flame and oxidisers.	
HAZCHEM	Not Applicable	

SECTION 6 ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Minor Spills	Clean up all spills immediately. Avoid breathing dust and contact with skin and eyes. Wear protective clothing, gloves, safety glasses and dust respirator. Use dry clean up procedures and avoid generating dust. Sweep up, shovel up or Vacuum up (consider explosion-proof machines designed to be grounded during storage and use). Place spilled material in clean, dry, sealable, labelled container.
Major Spills	Moderate hazard. CAUTION: Advise personnel in area. Alert Emergency Services and tell them location and nature of hazard. Control personal contact by wearing protective clothing. Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water courses. Recover product wherever possible. IF DRY: Use dry clean up procedures and avoid generating dust. Collect residues and place in sealed plastic bags or other containers for disposal. IF WET: Vacuum/shovel up and place in labelled containers for disposal. ALWAYS: Wash area down with large amounts of water and prevent runoff into drains.
	Personal Protective Equipment advice is contained in Section 8 of the SDS.

SECTION 7 HANDLING AND STORAGE

Precautions for safe handling

Safe handling	Limit all unnecessary personal contact. Wear protective clothing when risk of exposure occurs. Use in a well-ventilated area. Avoid contact with incompatible materials. When handling, DO NOT eat, drink or smoke. Keep containers securely sealed when not in use. Avoid physical damage to containers. Always wash hands with soap and water after handling. Work clothes should be laundered separately. Use good occupational work practice.
Other information	Store away from incompatible materials.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Suitable container	Generally packaging as originally supplied with the article or manufactured item is enough to protect against physical hazards. If repackaging is required ensure the article is intact and does not show signs of wear. As far as is practicably possible, reuse the original packaging or something providing a similar level of protection to both the article and the handler.
Storage incompatibility	None known

SECTION 8 EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

Control parameters

OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURE LIMITS (OEL)

INGREDIENT DATA

Source	Ingredient	Material name	TWA	STEL	Peak	Notes
Australia Exposure Standards	silicon carbide	Silicon carbide	10 mg/m3	Not Available	Not Available	(a) This value is for inhalable dust containing no asbestos and < 1% crystalline silica.
Australia Exposure Standards	aluminium oxide	aluminium oxide	10 mg/m3	Not Available	Not Available	 a) This value is for inhalable dust containing no asbestos and < 1% crystalline silica.
Australia Exposure Standards	sodium aluminium fluoride	Fluorides (as F)	2.5 mg/m3	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available

EMERGENCY LIMITS

Ingredient	Material Name	TEEL 1	TEEL 2	TEEL 3
silicon carbide	silicon carbide	45 mg/m3	500 mg/m3	3,000 mg/m3
aluminium oxide	Aluminum oxide; (Alumina)	5.7 mg/m3	15 mg/m3	25 mg/m3
fibreglass reinforcements	Fibrous glass; (Fiber glass; Glass frit; Synthetic vitreous fibers)	15 mg/m3	170 mg/m3	990 mg/m3
Sulfur	Sulfur	30 mg/m3	330 mg/m3	2,000 mg/m3

Ingredient	Original IDLH	Revised IDLH
sodium aluminium fluoride	250 mg/m3	Not Available
silicon carbide	Not Available	Not Available
aluminium oxide	Not Available	Not Available
fibreglass reinforcements	Not Available	Not Available
Sulfur	Not Available	Not Available

Exposure controls

Appropriate engineering controls	Maintain adequate ventilation at all times If ventilation is poor, then the use of a local exhaust ventilation system is recommended.	
Personal protection		
Eye and face protection	Safety glasses with side shields OR Chemical goggles. Contact lenses may pose a special hazard; soft contact lenses may absorb and concentrate irritants. Lens should be removed at the first signs of eye redness or irritation Lens should be removed in a clean environment only after workers have washed hands thoroughly.	
Skin protection	See Hand protection below	
Hands/feet protection	Wear protective gloves, Leather or light rubber are recommended for this application	
Body protection	See Other protection below	
Respiratory protection	Use suitable respirator if dust is produced	
Other protection	Overalls. Eye wash unit	
Thermal hazards	Not Available	

SECTION 9 PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance	Solid [Various shapes – wheels, discs, blocks]		
Physical state	Solid	Relative density (Water = 1)	Not Applicable
Odour	Not Applicable	Viscosity (cSt)	Not Applicable
Odour threshold	Not Applicable	Auto-ignition temperature	Not Available
pH (as supplied)	Not Applicable	Decomposition temperature	Not Available
Melting point / freezing point (°C)	Not Available	Partition coefficient n-octanol / water	Not Applicable
Initial boiling point and boiling range (°C)	Not Applicable	Surface Tension (dyn/cm or mN/m)	Not Applicable
Flash point (°C)	Not Applicable	Taste	Not Applicable
Evaporation rate	Not Applicable	Explosive properties	Not Available
Flammability	Not Applicable	Oxidising properties	Not Applicable
Upper Explosive Limit (%)	Not Applicable	Molecular weight (g/mol)	Not Available
Lower Explosive Limit(%)	Not Applicable	Volatile Component (%vol)	Not Applicable
Vapour pressure (kPa)	Not Applicable	Gas group	Not Applicable
Solubility in water (g/L)	Insoluble	pH as a solution (1%)	Not Applicable
Vapour density (Air = 1)	Not Applicable	VOC g/L	Not Applicable

SECTION 10 STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity	See section 7
Chemical stability	Product is considered stable.
Possibility of hazardous reactions	See section 7
Conditions to avoid	See section 7
Incompatible materials	See section 7
Hazardous decomposition products	See section 5

SECTION 11 TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Information on toxicological effects

Inhaled	The material can cause respiratory irritation in some persons. The body's response to such irritation can cause further lung damage. Acute effects of fluoride inhalation include irritation of nose and throat, coughing and chest discomfort. A single acute over-exposure may even cause nose bleed.
Ingestion	No known significant effects or critical hazards.
Skin Contact	Though considered non-harmful, slight irritation may result from contact because of the abrasive nature of the aluminium oxide particles. Thus it may cause itching and skin reaction and inflammation. The material may accentuate any pre-existing dermatitis condition
Eye	This material can cause eye irritation and damage in some persons.
Chronic	Long-term exposure to respiratory irritants may result in airways disease, involving difficulty breathing and related whole-body problems

SECTION 12 ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Toxicity

Harmful to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment...

Persistence and degradability

Ingredient	Persistence: Water/Soil	Persistence: Air	
sulfur	LOW	LOW	
Bio accumulative potential			
Ingredient	Bioaccumulation		
sulfur	LOW (LogKOW = 0.229)		
Mobility in soil			
Ingredient	Mobility		
sulfur	LOW (KOC = 14.3)		

SECTION 13 DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste treatment methods	
Product / packaging disposal	Recycle containers whenever possible. Product residues and containers should be disposed of in accordance with local government regulations

SECTION 14 TRANSPORT INFORMATION

Labels Required		
Marine Pollutant	NO	
HAZCHEM	Not Applicable	

Land transport (ADG): NOT REGULATED FOR TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS Air transport (ICAO-IATA / DGR): NOT REGULATED FOR TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS Sea transport (IMDG-Code / GGVSee): NOT REGULATED FOR TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS

SECTION 15 REGULATORY INFORMATION

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

SODIUM ALUMINIUM FLUORIDE (15096-52-3) IS FOUND ON THE FOLLOWING REGULATORY LISTS

Australia Hazardous Chemical Information System (HCIS) - Hazardous Chemicals Australia Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS) Australia Exposure Standards

SILICON CARBIDE IS FOUND ON THE FOLLOWING REGULATORY LISTS

Australia Exposure Standards

Australia Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)

International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) - Agents Classified by the IARC Monographs

ALUMINIUM OXIDE IS FOUND ON THE FOLLOWING REGULATORY LISTS

Australia Exposure Standards

Australia Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)

FIBREGLASS REINFORCEMENTS IS FOUND ON THE FOLLOWING REGULATORY LISTS

Australia Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)

SULFUR IS FOUND ON THE FOLLOWING REGULATORY LISTS

Australia Hazardous Chemical Information System (HCIS) - Hazardous Chemicals Australia Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)

SECTION 16 OTHER INFORMATION

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Other information

Classification of the preparation and its individual components has drawn on official and authoritative sources as well as independent review by the Chernwatch Classification committee using available literature references.

A list of reference resources used to assist the committee may be found at: www.chemwatch.net

The SDS is a Hazard Communication tool and should be used to assist in the Risk Assessment. Many factors determine whether the reported Hazards are Risks in the workplace or other settings. Risks may be determined by reference to Exposures Scenarios. Scale of use, frequency of use and current or available engineering controls must be considered.

Definitions and abbreviations

PC-TWA;	Permissible Concentration-Time Weighted Average

PC-STEL: Permissible Concentration-Short Term Exposure Limit

- IARC: International Agency for Research on Cancer
- ACGIH: American Conference of Government Industrial Hygienists
- STEL: Short Term Exposure Limit
- TEEL: Temporary Emergency Exposure Limit
- IDLH: Immediate Danger to Life or Health Concentrations OSF: Odour Safety Factor
- NOAEL: No Observed Effects Level
- TLV: Threshold Limit Value
- LOD: Limit Of Detection
- OTV: Odour Threshold Value
- BCF: Bio Concentration Factors
- BEI: Biological Exposure Index

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