

# ROCK FORCE CHEMICAL SPLITTING AGENT

# **MSDS**

# SAFETY DATA SHEET



of the substance

or mixture and

uses advised

# **ROCK FORCE (Non-Explosive Demolition Agent)**

# Section 1. Identification

GHS product identifier : ROCK FORCE Splitting Agent (Non-Explosive Demolition Agent) Relevant identified uses

HS code : 3824.50/2

Other means of identification

: Expanding Cement.

Product type : Powder. against

Identified uses : For controlled demolition, reinforced concrete cutting, rock breaking, quarrying, stone

dimension, mining, excavating...

**Manufacturer** 

China

**Distributor** 

: Rock Force Chemical Demolition

**Emergency telephone** 

number (with hours of : + 27 828224927 08:00 am to 17:00 pm Week days

operation)

# Section 2. Hazards identification

OSHA/HCS status : This material is considered hazardous by the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard

(29 CFR 1910.1200).

Classification of the substance or mixture GHS label elements

: SKIN CORROSION/IRRITATION - Category 2 SERIOUS EYE DAMAGE/ EYE IRRITATION - Category 1

SPECIFIC TARGET ORGAN TOXICITY (SINGLE EXPOSURE) (Respiratory tract

irritation) - Category 3





**Hazard pictograms** 

Signal word : Danger

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# Section 2. Hazards identification

**Hazard statements** : H318 - Causes serious eye damage.

H315 - Causes skin irritation.

H335 - May cause respiratory irritation.

**Precautionary statements** 

**Prevention** 

P280 - Wear protective gloves. Wear eye or face protection.

P271 - Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.

P261 - Avoid breathing dust.

P264 - Wash hands thoroughly after handling.

Response : P304 + P340 + P312 - IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable

P302 + P352 + P362+P364 - IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water. Take off

for breathing. Call a POISON CENTER or physician if you feel unwell.

contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.

P332 + P313 - If skin irritation occurs: Get medical attention.

P305 + P351 + P338 + P310 - IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

Immediately call a POISON CENTER or physician.

**Storage**: P405 - Store locked up in a cool dry place.

**Disposal** : P501 - Dispose of contents and container in accordance with all local, regional, national

and international regulations.

Hazards not otherwise

classified

: Not applicable.

# Section 3. Composition/information on ingredients

Substance/mixture : Mixture

Other means of identification: Expanding Cement.

Ingredient name	%	CAS number
Calcium dihydroxide	≥75 - ≤90	1305-62-0

Any concentration shown as a range is to protect confidentiality or is due to batch variation.

There are no additional ingredients present which, within the current knowledge of the supplier and in the concentrations applicable,

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# Section 4. First aid measures

Skin contact

- : Get medical attention immediately. Call a poison centre or physician. Flush
- contaminated skin with plenty of water. Wash contaminated clothing thoroughly with water before removing it, or wear gloves. Continue to rinse for at least 20 minutes. Chemical burns must be treated promptly by a physician. Wash clothing before reuse. Clean shoes thoroughly before reuse.

Ingestion

Get medical attention immediately. Call a poison centre or physician. Wash out mouth with water. Remove dentures if any. Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. If material has been swallowed and the exposed person is conscious, give small quantities of water to drink. Stop if the exposed person feels sick as vomiting may be dangerous. Do not induce vomiting unless directed to do so by medical personnel. If vomiting occurs, the head should be kept low so that vomit does not enter the lungs. Chemical burns must be treated promptly by a physician. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. If unconscious, place in recovery position and get medical attention immediately. Maintain an open airway. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband.

are classified as hazardous to health or the environment and hence require reporting in this section.

Occupational exposure limits, if available, are listed in Section 8.

# Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed

Potential acute health effects

**Eye contact** : Causes serious eye damage. Inhalation : May cause respiratory irritation.

**Skin contact** : Causes skin irritation.

Ingestion: No known significant effects or critical hazards. Over-exposure signs/symptoms

**Eye contact** : Adverse symptoms may include the following:

pain watering redness

Inhalation : Adverse symptoms may include the following:

respiratory tract irritation coughing

: Adverse symptoms may include the following:

**Skin contact** pain or irritation redness blistering may occur

: Adverse symptoms may include the following:

stomach pains

Ingestion

### Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed, if necessary

Notes to physician

: Treat symptomatically. Contact poison treatment specialist immediately if large

: quantities have been ingested or inhaled.

**Specific treatments** 

No specific treatment.

**Protection of first-aiders** 

: No action shall be taken involving any personal risk or without suitable training. If it is suspected that fumes are still present, the rescuer should wear an appropriate mask or self-contained breathing apparatus. It may be dangerous to the person providing aid to give mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. Wash contaminated clothing thoroughly with water before removing it, or wear gloves.

See toxicological information (Section 11)

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# Section 5. Fire-fighting measures

Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing

media

Use an extinguishing agent suitable for the surrounding fire.

None known.

**Unsuitable extinguishing** 

media

No specific fire or explosion hazard.

Specific hazards arising from the chemical

**Hazardous thermal** 

decomposition products

Decomposition products may include the following materials:

metal oxide/oxides

Special protective actions . for fire-fighters

Promptly isolate the scene by removing all persons from the vicinity of the incident if there is a fire. No action shall be taken involving any personal risk or without suitable

training.

Fire-fighters should wear appropriate protective equipment and self-contained breathing

apparatus (SCBA) with a full face-piece operated in positive pressure mode. Special protective. equipment for fire-fighters

# Section 6. Accidental release measures

# Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

For non-emergency personnel

: No action shall be taken involving any personal risk or without suitable training. Evacuate surrounding areas. Keep unnecessary and unprotected personnel from entering. Do not touch or walk through the spilled material. Do not breathe dust. Provide adequate ventilation. Wear appropriate respirator when ventilation is inadequate. Put on appropriate personal protective equipment.

### For emergency responders

: If specialized clothing is required to deal with the spillage, take note of any information in Section 8 on suitable and unsuitable materials. See also the information in "For nonemergency personnel".

### **Environmental precautions**

: Avoid dispersal of spilled material and runoff and contact with soil, waterways, drains and sewers. Inform the relevant authorities if the product has caused environmental pollution (sewers, waterways, soil or air).

# Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up spill

: Move containers from spill area. Approach release from upwind. Prevent entry into sewers, water courses, basements or confined areas. Avoid dust generation. Do not dry sweep. Vacuum dust with equipment fitted with a HEPA filter and place in a closed, labelled waste container. Avoid creating dusty conditions and prevent wind dispersal. Dispose of via a licensed waste disposal contractor. Note: see Section 1 for emergency contact information and Section 13 for waste disposal.

# Section 7. Handling and storage

# **Precautions for safe handling**

**Protective measures** 

: Put on appropriate personal protective equipment (see Section 8). Do not get in eyes or on skin or clothing. Do not breathe dust. Do not ingest. Use only with adequate ventilation. Wear appropriate respirator when ventilation is inadequate. Keep in the original container or an approved alternative made from a compatible material, kept tightly closed when not in use. Empty containers retain product residue and can be hazardous. Do not reuse container.

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Advice on general occupational hygiene

- : Eating, drinking and smoking should be prohibited in areas where this material is
- handled, stored and processed. Workers should wash hands and face before eating, drinking and smoking. See also Section 8 for additional information on hygiene measures.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store in accordance with local regulations. Store in original container protected from direct sunlight in a dry, cool and well-ventilated area, away from incompatible materials (see Section 10) and food and drink. Store locked up. Keep container tightly closed and sealed until ready for use. Containers that have been opened must be carefully resealed and kept upright to prevent leakage. Do not store in unlabelled containers. Use appropriate containment to avoid environmental contamination. See Section 10 for incompatible materials before handling or use.

# Section 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

# **Control parameters**

# Occupational exposure limits

Ingredient name	Exposure limits	
Calcium di-hydroxide		
	TWA: 5 mg/m³ 8 hours. Form: Respirable fraction	
	TWA: 15 mg/m³ 8 hours. Form: Total dust	

## **Occupational exposure limits**

Ingredient name	Exposure limits	Exposure limits	
Calcium di-hydroxide	8 hrs OEL: 5 mg/m³ 8 hours.		
	TWA: 5 mg/m³ 8 hours.		
	TWA: 5 mg/m³ 8 hours.		
	TWAEV: 5 mg/m³ 8 hours.		
	STEL: 10 mg/m³ 15 minutes.		
	TWA: 5 mg/m³ 8 hours.		

**Appropriate engineering**: Use only with adequate ventilation. If user operations generate dust, fumes, gas, vapor controls or mist, use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation or other engineering controls to keep worker exposure to airborne contaminants below any recommended or statutory limits.

**Environmental exposure** : In some cases, dust collection, filters or engineering modifications to the process **controls** equipment will be necessary to reduce emissions to acceptable levels.

# **Individual protection measures**

# **Hygiene measures**

: Wash hands, forearms and face thoroughly after handling chemical products, before eating, smoking and using the lavatory and at the end of the working period. Appropriate techniques should be used to remove potentially contaminated clothing. Wash contaminated clothing before reusing. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

# Section 10. Stability and reactivity

**Reactivity**: No specific test data related to reactivity available for this product or its ingredients.

**Chemical stability**: The product is stable.

Possibility of hazardous

reactions

: Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous reactions will not occur.

Conditions to avoid : No specific data.

**Incompatible materials** : Reactive or incompatible with the following materials: moisture.

Hazardous decomposition products

: Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous decomposition products should not be produced.

# **Section 11. Toxicological information**

Information on toxicological effects

### **Acute toxicity**

Product/ingredient name	Result	Species	Dose	Exposure
Calcium di-hydroxide	LD50 Oral	Rat	7340 mg/kg	-

Information on the likely routes of exposure

: Dermal contact. Eye contact. Inhalation. Ingestion.

## Irritation/Corrosion

Product/ingredient name	Result	Species	Score	Exposure	Observation
Calcium di-hydroxide	Eyes - Severe irritant	Rabbit	-	10 mg	-

### **Sensitization**

There is no data available.

# **Mutagenicity**

There is no data available.

### **Carcinogenicity**

There is no data available.

# Reproductive toxicity

There is no data available.

### **Teratogenicity**

There is no data available.

### Specific target organ toxicity

### exposure)

Name	Category	Target organs
Calcium di-hydroxide	Category 3	Respiratory tract irritation

# Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure)

There is no data available.

# **Aspiration hazard**

There is no data available.

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**Eye contact** : Causes serious eye damage. Inhalation : May cause respiratory irritation.

**Skin contact**: Causes skin irritation.

Ingestion : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics

Eye contact : Adverse symptoms may include the following:

pain watering redness

**Inhalation** : Adverse symptoms may include the following:

respiratory tract irritation coughing

: Adverse symptoms may include the following:

Skin contact pain or irritation redness

blistering may occur

: Adverse symptoms may include the following:

stomach pains

Ingestion

Delayed and immediate effects and also chronic effects from short and long term exposure

**Short term exposure** 

**Potential immediate** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

effects

Potential delayed effects: No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Long term exposure

Potential immediate : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

effects

Potential delayed effects: No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Potential chronic health effects

General: Repeated or prolonged inhalation of dust may lead to chronic respiratory irritation.

Carcinogenicity: No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Mutagenicity: No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Teratogenicity: No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Developmental effects: No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Fertility effects: No known significant effects or critical hazards.

: No known significant effects or critical hazards.

**Numerical measures of toxicity** 

**Acute toxicity estimates** 

There is no data available.

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# Section 12. Ecological information

### **Toxicity**

Product/ingredient name	Result	Species	Exposure
Calcium di-hydroxide	Acute LC50 33884.4 μg/L Fresh water	Fish - Clarias gariepinus - Fingerling	96 hours

# Persistence and degradability

There is no data available.

## **Bio-accumulative potential**

There is no data available.

**Mobility in soil** 

Soil/water partition : Not available.

Other adverse effects

: No known significant effects or critical hazards.

# Section 13. Disposal considerations

**Disposal methods** 

: The generation of waste should be avoided or minimized wherever possible. Disposal of this product, solutions and any by-products should comply with the requirements of environmental protection and waste disposal legislation and any regional local authority requirements. Dispose of surplus and non-recyclable products via a licensed waste disposal contractor. Waste should not be disposed of untreated to the sewer unless fully compliant with the requirements of all authorities with jurisdiction. Waste packaging should be recycled. Incineration or landfill should only be considered when recycling is not feasible. This material and its container must be disposed of in a safe way. Care should be taken when handling empty containers that have not been cleaned or rinsed out. Empty containers or liners may retain some product residues. Avoid dispersal of spilled material and runoff and contact with soil, waterways, drains and sewers.

# **Section 14. Transport information**

**Environmental Hazard**: No

**Transport Hazard**: No

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# **Section 14. Transport information**

Special precautions for user

: **Transport within user's premises**: always transport in closed containers tha are upright and secure. Ensure that persons transporting the product know what to do in the event of an accident or spillage.

# Section 15. Regulatory information

South Africa regulations : CDR Exempt/Partial exemption: Not

determined All components are listed or

exempted.

Clean Air Act Section 112 :

(b) Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs)

Not listed

Clean Air Act Section 602:

Class I Substances Not listed

Clean Air Act Section 602 :

Class II Substances Not listed

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Section 16. Other information		

### Procedure used to derive the classification

Classification	Justification
SKIN CORROSION/IRRITATION - Category 2	Calculation method
SERIOUS EYE DAMAGE/ EYE IRRITATION - Category 1	Calculation method
SPECIFIC TARGET ORGAN TOXICITY (SINGLE EXPOSURE) (Respiratory tract	Calculation method
irritation) - Category 3	

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