



# AMERICAN CLAY

## Naturally Beautiful Walls

### Material Safety Data Sheet

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#### Section I General Information

**Product Name:** American Clay Loma Finish: American Clay Porcelina Finish, American Clay Marittimo Finish, Enjarre

**Formula:** Proprietary Blend of Aggregates, Clays, and Preservatives

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#### Section II Hazardous Ingredients

Ingredients:	% by Wt:	CAS #:	OSHA PEL**:	ACGIH TLV**:
Quartz	<2%	14808-60-7	0.1mg/m <sup>3</sup> Resp.	0.05 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA
Nuisance Dust	-	-	5mg/m <sup>3</sup> Resp.	3mg/m <sup>3</sup> Resp.
Total Dust	-	-	15mg/m <sup>3</sup>	10mg/m <sup>3</sup>

**NFPA/HMIS:** Health – 1\*, Fire – 0, Reactivity – 0, Specific Hazard – see section VI

**\*WARNING:** This product contains a small amount of quartz that may cause delayed respiratory disease if inhaled over a prolonged period of time. Avoid breathing dust. Use NIOSH/MSHA approved respirator where TLV for quartz may be exceeded. IARC Monographs on the evaluation of the Carcinogenic Risk of Chemicals to humans (volume 68, 1997) concludes that quartz is carcinogenic to humans (IARC classification 1).

**Note:** The Permissible Exposure Limits (PELs) reported above are the pre-1989 limits that were reinstated by OSHA June 30, 1993 following a decision by the United States Circuit Court of Appeals for the 11<sup>th</sup> Circuit. Federal OSHA is now enforcing these PELs. More restrictive exposure limits may be enforced by some other jurisdictions. National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) has recommended that the permissible exposure limit be changed to 50micrograms respirable free silica per cubic meter of air (0.05mg/m<sup>3</sup>) as determined by full shift sample up to a 10-hour working day, 40 hours per week. See: 1974 NIOSH criteria for a recommended Standard for Occupational Exposure to Crystalline Silica for more detailed information.

\*\*Unless otherwise noted, all PEL and TLV values are reported as 8 hour time weighted average (TWA).

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## Section III Physical Chemical Characteristics

<b>Boiling Point:</b>	Not Applicable	<b>Loose Fill Density:</b>	52-69 lbs/ft <sup>3</sup>
<b>Vapor Pressure:</b>	Not Applicable	<b>Melting Point:</b>	Not Applicable
<b>Vapor Density:</b>	Not Applicable	<b>Evaporation Rate:</b>	Not Applicable
<b>Solubility in Water:</b>	Negligible		
<b>Appearance and Odor:</b>	Buff to White color powder with angular particles of white, tan, and grey.		

## Section IV Fire and Explosion

<b>Flammability:</b>	Non-Combustible	<b>Upper &amp; Lower Flammable Limit:</b>	Not Applicable
<b>Auto Ignition Temp:</b>	Not Applicable	<b>Special Firefighting Procedures:</b>	Not Applicable
<b>Combustion Products:</b>	Not Applicable	<b>Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact/Static Discharge:</b>	Not Applicable
<b>Flash Point:</b>	Not Applicable		

**Means of Extinction:** Use extinguishing media appropriate for surrounding media

## Section V Reactivity Data

<b>Stability:</b>	Stable Under normal Conditions.
<b>Hazardous Decomposition Products:</b>	Thermal oxidative decomposition can produce calcium oxide.
<b>Conditions of Reactivity:</b>	Hazardous polymerization will not occur.
<b>Incompatible Materials:</b>	Reacts with acids to liberate carbon dioxide. Ignites on contact with fluorine. Also incompatible with alum and ammonium salts.

## Section VI Health Hazard & Toxicological Information

**Exposure Limits:** See Section II

### Acute Effects:

<b>Irritancy of product:</b>	Eye contact and inhalation are major routes of entry
<b>Inhalation:</b>	Inhalation of dust can cause irritation
<b>Skin:</b>	Prolonged or repeated skin contact can cause irritation.
<b>Eyes:</b>	Contact with eyes can cause irritation
<b>Ingestion:</b>	Not an expected route of entry

### Chronic Effects & Carcinogenicity

Excessive inhalation of dust from these products can cause silicosis. Crystalline silica is listed as an IARC Class 1 potential carcinogen. It has been determined that there is sufficient evidence for the carcinogenicity of crystalline silica to experimental animals and humans. These are chronic, slow developing diseases with symptoms usually delayed 10 years or more.

**Signs and symptoms of exposure:** There are generally no signs or symptoms of exposure to crystalline silica.

**Medical Conditions Generally Aggravated by Exposure:** Individuals with respiratory disease, or subject to eye irritation

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should not be exposed to crystalline silica dust.

## California Proposition 65 Warning

This product contains crystalline silica, a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer.

## Section VII Spill, Leak & Disposal Procedures

**Spill & Leak:** Vacuum if possible to avoid generating airborne dust. Avoid breathing dust. Wear and approved respirator. Avoid adding water; product will become slippery when wet.

**Waste Disposal:** Dispose of waste in an approved landfill in accordance with federal, state, and local laws

## Section VIII First Aid & Special Protection Information

### First Aid

**Inhalation:** Move victim to fresh air. If breathing difficulty continues, give oxygen & obtain medical attention.  
**Skin contact:** Wash with soap and warm water. If irritation develops, consult a physician.  
**Eye contact:** Flush with water for at least 15 minutes. Call physician if irritation persists.  
**Ingestion:** If large amounts are ingested, get immediate medical attention.

**Respiratory Protection:** Provide adequate general ventilation. Provide workers with NIOSH approved respirators for lung damaging dust when exposed to dust. Exposure levels over 100 times TLV (*Section II*) required air supplied respirators.

**Skin & Eye Protection:** Gloves and safety goggles should be worn when exposed to excessive dust.

**Ventilation:** Provide Local Exhaust ventilation to meet exposure limits (*Section II*).

## Section IX Special Precautions

**Handling:** Dust in the work area should be kept minimal and proper ventilation provided. Avoid inhalation of dust. Avoid eye contact with materials.

**Storage:** Use normal precautions to avoid bag breakage and spillage. Store in a dry place.

**Other Precautions:** Slippery when wet

**Shipping:** No special shipping information required.

## Section X Abbreviations & References

### Abbreviations:

IARC: International Agency for Research on Cancer  
ACGIH: American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists  
PEL: Personnel Exposure Limits  
TLV: Threshold Limit Values  
TWA: Time Weighted Average  
NIOSH: National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health  
MSDS: Material Safety Data Sheets

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ACGIH, Threshold Limit Values and Biological Exposure Indices for 2003  
IARC Monographs, Volume 68, Silica, Some Silicates and Organic Fibers, 1997  
Material Safety Data Sheets of raw materials

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