

GROUND COLEMANITE SAFETY DATA SHEET

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SECTION 1. Identification of the substance and of the company

1.1. Product identifier

Ground Colemanite

CAS No: 12291-65-5

Trade name: Ground Colemanite

Chemical names/Synonyms: Calcium borate, di-calcium hexaborate pentahydrate

REACH Registration No: Exempt from registration under REACH Regulation according to Article 2(7)(b). Ground Colemanite is a natural occurring mineral which is not chemically modified, therefore, considered within the scope of Annex V (7) of the REACH Regulation.

1.2. Relevant identified uses of the substance and uses advised against

Textile grade fiberglass

Boron alloys

Metallurgical fluxing

Borosilicate glass

There is no specified use advised against.

1.3. Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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SECTION 2. Hazard identification

2.1. Classification of the substance

Ground Colemanite is a naturally occurring mineral and does not meet the criteria for classification as hazardous according to Regulation EC 1272/2008.

2.1.1. Classification according to Regulation EC 1272/2008

No classification.

2.2. Label elements

No labeling.

2.3. Other hazards

Ground Colemanite is an inorganic substance and does not meet the criteria for PBT or vPvB substance.

SECTION 3. Composition / information on ingredients

3.1. Substances

Ground colemanite is a mono-constituent substance and the main constituent is Colemanite (Di-calcium Hexaborate Pentahydrate)

Partical size : Ground Colemanite -45 mikron min. 75%

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Common Name	Chemical Name	CAS No:	Wt. %
Colemanite	Di-calcium Hexaborate Pentahydrate	12291-65-5	78.00-80.00
Calcite	Calcium Carbonate	1317-65-3	8.00-12.00
Dolomite	Calcium Magnesium Carbonate	16389-88-1	2.00-3.00
Clay	-	-	6.00-8.00

SECTION 4. First aid measures

4.1. Description of first aid measures

4.1.1. Following skin contact

Ground Colemanite is considered not to be a skin sensitizer based experience in handling and low absorption through skin. However prolonged contact might cause skin irritation. If skin contact occurs, remove contaminated clothing and wash skin with plenty of water and soap. If irritation occurs seek medical advice.

4.1.2. Following eye contact

Ground Colemanite is not an eye irritant. However prolonged contact might cause eye irritation. If irritation occurs, check for and remove any contact lenses Flush thoroughly with water to cleanse eye for at least 15 minutes. If irritation persists consult a physician.

4.1.3. Following inhalation

Ground Colemanite is not likely to be hazardous by inhalation. However, prolonged exposure to dust levels in excess of regulatory limits may cause irritation to nose and throat. If symptoms occur remove victim to fresh air.

4.1.4. Following ingestion

Swallowing small quantities of Ground Colemanite (one teaspoon) is not normally harmful. If large amounts are swallowed, rinse mouth out with water, give a glass of water to drink and seek medical attention.

4.1.5. Notes for the doctor

Treat symptomatically.

SECTION 5. Fire-fighting measures

Ground Colemanite is not flammable, combustible or explosive. The product is itself a flame retardant.

5.1. Extinguishing media

Any fire extinguishing media may be used on nearby fires.

5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance

No data available.

5.3. Advise for fire-fighters

Fire fighters should wear self contained breathing apparatus.

SECTION 6. Accidental release measures

6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

6.1.1. For non-emergency personal

No personal protective equipment is normally needed to clean up spilled Ground Colemanite. In case of exposure to high level of dust, wear protective equipment to prevent skin and eye contact and breathing in dust. Increase ventilation. Avoid generating dust.

6.1.2. For emergency responders

No special recommendations are required.

6.2. Environmental precautions

Do not allow the spilled substances to reach sewers or waterways. This substance will cause localized contamination of surrounding waters depending on the quantity dissolved. Ground Colemanite is a moderately water soluble mineral. However at high concentrations some damage to local vegetation, fish and other aquatic life may be expected. If sewers and waterways are contaminated with large quantities of spilled Ground Colemanite, advise your local waste management authority.

6.3. Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Sweep up spills and try to keep dust to a minimum. Use water spraying to prevent airborne dust generation. Industrial vacuum cleaner can also be used as an alternative. Collect and seal in properly labeled containers for safe disposal. Wash area down with water. Hold contaminated water for disposal.

6.4. Reference to other sections

See section 8 and 13.

SECTION 7. Handling and Storage

7.1. Precautions for safe handling

7.1.1. Protective measures

Avoid handling which leads to dust formation. Avoid skin and eye contact and breathing in dust. Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where airborne dust is generated. Ensure an eye bath and safety shower are available and ready for use.

7.1.2. Advice on general occupational hygiene

Do not eat, drink and smoke in work areas. Wash hands after use. Remove contaminated clothing and protective equipment before entering eating areas.

7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Technical measures and storage conditions: Though Ground Colemanite does not require any special precautions, it is sensitive to moisture. Protect from moisture and direct sunlight. Store at ambient temperature. Store away from incompatible materials including reducing agents and acids. Minimize airborne dust generation during loading and unloading. The bags should be rotated on a “first-in-first-out” basis.

Packaging materials: Store in original packaging as approved by manufacturer.

Requirements for storage rooms and vessels: Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area. Indoor storage is recommended.

7.3. Specific end use(s)

If you require advice on specific uses, please contact your supplier.

SECTION 8. Exposure controls / personal protection

8.1. Control parameters

Occupational exposure limits;

OSHA-PEL* : 15 mg/m³ total dust
5 mg/m³ respirable dust

Cal OSHA-PEL* : 10 mg/m³

Biological limit values;

Currently, there is no Biological Limit Value (BLV) determined for this substance.

**OSHA PELs are based on an 8-hour time weighted average (TWA) exposure.*

For the equivalent limits in other countries, please consult the local regulatory authority.

8.2. Exposure controls

8.2.1. Appropriate engineering controls

Provide general or local exhaust ventilation systems to maintain airborne concentrations of Ground Colemanite dust below specific exposure limits. Local exhaust ventilation is generally preferred because it can control the emissions of the contaminant at its source, preventing dispersion of it into the general work area.

8.2.2. Personal protection equipment

Eye protection: Wear safety glasses with side-shields.

Skin protection: No specific requirement.

Hand protection: Wear impervious gloves, Always wash hands before smoking, eating, drinking or using the toilet.

Respiratory protection: In case of prolonged exposure to airborne dust concentrations, wear a respiratory protective equipment that complies with requirements of European and national legislation.

8.2.3. Environmental exposure controls

No special requirements (See section 6).

SECTION 9. Physical and chemical properties

9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance	: light grey, grounded
Odor	: Odorless
Odour threshold	: Not applicable
pH	: Not applicable
Melting point	: No data available
Initial boiling point and boiling range	: No data available
Flash point	: Non flammable
Evaporation rate	: No data available
Flammability (solid, gas)	: Non flammable
Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits	: Non flammable
Vapour pressure	: Not applicable
Vapour density	: Not applicable
Relative density	: No data available
Solubility in water	: Low solubility
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	: No data available
Auto-Ignition temperature	: Non flammable
Decomposition temperature	: When heated above 105°C it loses its hydrate water.
Viscosity	: Not applicable
Explosion properties	: Non explosive
Oxidising properties	: Not applicable

9.2. Other information

Bulk Density	: 1 ton/m ³ max.
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SECTION 10. Stability and reactivity

10.1. Reactivity

Ground Colemanite loses hydrate water when heated.

10.2. Chemical stability

Ground Colemanite is stable at room temperature under normal storage and handling conditions.

10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

No known hazardous reactions.

10.4. Conditions to avoid

Avoid excessive heat, direct sunlight, generating dust, moisture, static discharges and high temperatures (See section 7).

10.5. Incompatible materials

Incompatible with oxidizing agents, acids, reducing agents and sources of ignition. Reaction with strong reducing agents such as metal hydrides will generate hydrogen gas which could create an explosive hazard (See section 7).

10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

No known hazardous decomposition products.

SECTION 11. Toxicological information

11.1. Information on toxicological effects

Colemanite does not meet the criteria for classification as hazardous according to EC Regulation 1272/2008 as amended. Exempt from REACH registration in accordance with Annex V.7. A hazard assessment has been conducted by “Cambridge Environmental Assessments - ADAS” and the outcome was that Colemanite is not a hazardous substance. Therefore, in absence of identified hazard, the substance is safe and presents no risk

Acute toxicity	Oral	No data available.
	Dermal	No data available.
	Inhalation	No data available.
	Classification for acute toxicity is not warranted.	
Skin corrosion / irritation	No data available.	
	Classification for irritation/corrosion is not warranted.	
Serious eye damage / irritation	No data available.	
	Classification is not warranted.	
Respiratory or skin sensitization	No data available.	
	Colemanite is considered not to be a skin sensitizer based on experience in handling and low absorption through the skin.	
	Classification for sensitization is not warranted.	
Mutagenicity	in-vitro Mutagenicity	No data available.
	In-vivo Mutagenicity	No data available.
	Germ cell mutagenicity	No data available.
	Classification for mutagenicity is not warranted	
Carcinogenicity	No data available.	
	Classification for carcinogenicity is not warranted.	
Reproductive toxicity	Fertility	No data available.
	Developmental toxicity	No data available.
	Classification for reproductive toxicity is not warranted	
STOT – single exposure	No data available.	
	Classification for specific target organ toxicity is not warranted.	

STOT – repeated exposure	No data available. Classification for specific target organ toxicity is not warranted.
Aspiration hazard	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

SECTION 12. Ecological information

No data is available for Colemanite. Therefore ecotoxicity data of boron are provided

12.1. Toxicity

Phytotoxicity: Although Boron is an essential micronutrient for healthy growth of plants, it can be harmful to boron-sensitive plants in higher quantities. Care should be taken to minimize the amount of Colemanite released to the environment.

Fish Toxicity:

Rainbow Trout (S.gairdneri)	24 day LC ₅₀ = 150.0 mg/B/L	36 day NOEC-LOEC = 0.75-1 mg/B/L
Goldfish (Carassius auratus)	3 Day LC ₅₀ = 178 mg B/L	7 day NOEC = 26.50 mg/B/L

Invertebrate toxicity:

The acute toxicity (LC₅₀) to *Daphnia magna* Straus in natural water is reported to be 133 mg B/L (48 h). Chronic toxicity (21-day NOEC-LOEC) is reported to be 6-13 mg B/L.

12.2. Persistence and degradability

Boron is naturally occurring and ubiquitous in the environment.

12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

Boron is a naturally occurring element. Boron does not accumulate up the food chain. It is not expected to bioconcentrate in fish.

12.4. Mobility in soil

Colemanite is moderately soluble in water and will leach through the soil at very slow rate.

12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

According to the results of its assessment, this substance is not a PBT or a vPvB.

12.6. Other adverse effects

No specific adverse effects known.

SECTION 13. Disposal considerations

13.1. Waste treatment methods

Waste treatment methods: Small quantities of Ground Colemanite can usually be disposed of at Municipal Landfill sites. No special disposal treatment is required, but refer to state and local regulations for applicable site-specific requirements. Tonnage quantities of product are not recommended to be sent to landfills. Such products should, if possible, be re-used for an appropriate application.

Product /Packaging disposal: Dust formation from residues in packaging should be avoided and suitable worker protection assured. The re-use of packaging is not recommended. Recycling and disposal of packaging should be carried out in compliance with local regulations.

SECTION 14. Transport information

- 14.1. UN number** : Not relevant
- 14.2. UN proper shipping name** : Not relevant
- 14.3. Transport hazard classes** : Not relevant
- ADR : Not classified
- IMDG : Not classified
- ICA/IATA : Not classified
- RID : Not classified
- 14.4. Packaging group** : Not applicable
- 14.5. Environmental hazards** : Not relevant
- 14.6. Special precautions for user** : No special precautions
- 14.7. Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code:** Not relevant

SECTION 15. Regulatory information

15.1. Safety health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance:

National legislation / requirements : Not applicable

International legislation / requirements : Not applicable

15.2. Chemical Safety Assessment:

Exempt from REACH registration in accordance with Annex V.7. A hazard assessment has been conducted by “Cambridge Environmental Assessments - ADAS” and the outcome was that Ground Colemanite is not a hazardous substance. Therefore, in absence of identified hazard, the substance is safe and presents no risk.

SECTION 16. Other information

Data are based on our latest knowledge but do not constitute a guarantee for any specific product features and do not establish a legally valid contractual relationship.

16.1. Indication of changes:

This SDS has been compiled in accordance with Commission Regulation (EU) No 453/2010.

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04	This SDS is updated in line with Eti Maden Corporate identity

16.2. Abbreviations and acronyms:

Eti Maden : Eti Maden İşletmeleri Genel Müdürlüğü

SDS : Safety Data Sheet

OSHA : Occupational Safety and Health Administration

PEL : Permissible exposure limit.

TWA : The time-weighted average airborne concentration over an eight-hour working day, for five-day working week over an entire working life.

NOAEL : No observed adverse effect level

PBT : Persistent, bio-accumulative and toxic.

vPvB : Very persistent and very bio-accumulative.

LC₅₀ : Median lethal concentration

NOEC : No observable effect concentration

LOEC : Lowest Observed Effect Concentration

16.3. Key literature references and sources for data:

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