

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

# Cement Grade Limestone

## Section 1: Identification of the Material and Supplier

### Company Details

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### Manufacturing Plants

**Gladstone:** Landing Rd, Fisherman's Landing, Gladstone QLD 4680**Railton:** Cement Works Rd, Railton, TAS 7305

### Product

**Name:** Limestone**Other Names:** Calcium Carbonate, Crushed limestone, Agricultural lime, Calcite**Use:** Portland Cement mineral addition, construction material, soil treatment, acid neutralisation, agricultural applications

## Section 2: Hazards Identification

### 2.1 Classification

**DANGER**

### GHS CLASSIFICATION

**Classified as Hazardous** according to the Safe Work Australia guidelines for Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS).For more information call **1300 CEMENT** (1300 236 368)  
or visit [www.cementaustralia.com.au](http://www.cementaustralia.com.au)*Mix it with the best.*

**Not classified as Dangerous Goods** according to the Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail. (7th edition)

### Hazard Class and Category

**Specific Target Organ Toxicity (Repeated Exposure): Category 2**

**Carcinogenicity: Category 1A**

## 2.2 GHS Label elements

### Pictograms and Signal Words



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### Hazard Statement(s)

- H350** May cause cancer by inhalation.  
**H373** May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

### Prevention Statement(s)

- P201** Obtain special instructions before use.  
**P202** Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.  
**P260** Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.  
**P281** Use personal protective equipment as required.

### Response Statement(s)

- P308+P313** F exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/ attention.

### Storage Statement(s)

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

### Disposal Statement(s)

- P501** Dispose of unused contents or container as normal general waste or in accordance with jurisdictional regulations.

## 2.3 Other hazards

No information provided.

## Section 3: Composition/Information on Ingredients

Chemical Entity	Formula	Conc.	CAS Number
Silica, Crystalline - Quartz	Si-O2	<10%	14808-60-7
Calcium Carbonate	Ca-C-O3	>60%	1317-65-3
Clay	Not Available	<10%	Not Available

## Section 4: First Aid Measures

<b>Swallowed:</b>	Rinse mouth and lips with water. Do not induce vomiting. Give 1 -2 large glasses of water or milk. Never give liquids to an unconscious person. Seek urgent medical attention.
<b>Eyes:</b>	Flush immediately with large amounts of water, lifting the lower and upper lids occasionally. Seek medical attention.
<b>Skin:</b>	Wash affected area thoroughly with soap and water. Seek medical aid.
<b>Inhalation:</b>	Remove from exposure. If breathing is difficult or has stopped, administer artificial respiration or oxygen as indicated. Immediately seek medical aid.
<b>First Aid Facilities:</b>	Eye wash station. Washing facilities with running water.

## Section 5: Fire Fighting Measures

<b>Flash Point:</b>	N/A
<b>Hazchem Code:</b>	None allocated
<b>Flammable Limits:</b>	N/A
<b>Extinguishing Media:</b>	Considered non-combustible. Use media appropriate for surrounding fire.
<b>Hazards from Combustion Products:</b>	None
<b>Special Fire Fighting Procedures:</b>	There are no unusual fire and explosion hazards. It has and is used to prevent explosions and fires in coal mines.
<b>Unusual Fire and Explosion Hazards:</b>	Not combustible. Excessive dust generation creates a potential explosion hazard.

## Section 6: Accidental Release Measures

<b>Spills:</b>	If spilt (bulk), wear dust-proof goggles, PVC/rubber gloves and a Class P1 (Particulate) respirator. Absorb with moist sand or similar and place in sealable containers for disposal.
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## Section 7: Handling and Storage

<b>Handling:</b>	When supplied in bags these need to be handled in accordance with manual handling Code of Practice.
<b>Storage:</b>	Protect from moisture to prevent hardening. Storage of product may be in concrete silos, steel bins, or plastic lined multi-ply paper bags.

## Section 8: Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

## Exposure standards

No exposure standards have been entered for this product.

Ingredient	Reference	TWA		STEL	
		ppm	mg/m <sup>3</sup>	ppm	mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Aluminium & compounds	SWA [Proposed]	--	1	--	--
Aluminium oxide	SWA [AUS]	--	10	--	--
Calcium carbonate (Limestone, Marble)	SWA [AUS]	--	10	--	--
Iron oxide fume (Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> ) (as Fe)	SWA [AUS]	--	5	--	--
Magnesite	SWA [AUS]	--	10	--	--
Quartz (respirable dust)	SWA [AUS]	--	0.05	--	--

## Biological limits

No biological limit values have been entered for this product.

### PPE

**Eyes/Face:** Employees should be required to wear chemical safety splash goggles in situations where direct contact with the product may result in eye injury.

**Body/Skin:** Clean, body-covering clothing should be worn to prevent irritation in situation where direct contact with product may occur or dust levels are excessive.

**Respiratory:** Appropriate respiration selection depends on the type and magnitude of exposure.

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## Section 9: Physical and Chemical Properties

<b>Appearance:</b>	Crushed stone up to 40mm
<b>Odour:</b>	No distinctive odour
<b>Boiling Point:</b>	Not applicable
<b>Melting Point:</b>	2570°C CaO / 2800° F MgO
<b>Vapour Pressure:</b>	Not applicable
<b>Vapour Density:</b>	Not applicable
<b>pH:</b>	Not applicable
<b>Evaporation Rate:</b>	Not applicable
<b>Solubility in Water:</b>	Negligible
<b>Particle Size:</b>	Up to 40mm

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## Section 10: Stability and Reactivity

<b>Chemical Stability:</b>	Chemically stable
<b>Incompatibility:</b>	Acids, Chlorinated Phenols + Potassium Nitrate, Moleic Anhydride, Nitroparaffins and Phosphorus
<b>Hazardous Decomposition or By-Products:</b>	None expected
<b>Conditions to avoid:</b>	Will not occur

## Section 11: Toxicological Information

### 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

**Acute toxicity** This product is expected to be of low toxicity. Under normal conditions of use, adverse health effects are not anticipated. However, ingestion of large quantities may result in nausea, vomiting and gastrointestinal irritation.

Ingredient	Oral LD50	Dermal LD50	Inhalation LC50
Calcium Carbonate	> 2000 mg/kg (rat)	> 2000 mg/kg (rat)	> 3.0 mg/L
Aluminium Oxide	> 5000 mg/kg (rat)	--	--

**Skin** Not classified as a skin irritant. Contact may result in mechanical irritation, redness and rash.

**Eye** Not classified as an eye irritant. However, this product may cause mechanical eye irritation with redness and lacrimation.

**Sensitisation** Not classified as causing skin or respiratory sensitisation.

**Mutagenicity** Insufficient data available to classify as a mutagen.

**Carcinogenicity** Crystalline silica is classified as carcinogenic to humans (IARC Group 1). However, there is a body of evidence supporting the fact that increased cancer risk would be limited to people already suffering from silicosis.

**Reproductive** Insufficient data available to classify as a reproductive toxin.

**STOT - single exposure** Not classified as causing organ damage from single exposure.

**STOT - repeated exposure** Repeated exposure to respirable silica may result in pulmonary fibrosis (silicosis). Silicosis is a fibronodular lung disease caused by deposition in the lungs of fine respirable particles of crystalline silica. Principal symptoms of silicosis are coughing and breathlessness.

**Aspiration** This product is a solid and aspiration hazards are not expected to occur.

## Section 12: Ecological Information

**Ecotoxicity:** Product forms a weak alkaline slurry when mixed with water.

**Persistence and Degradability:** Product is persistent and would have a low degradability.

**Mobility:** A low mobility would be expected in a landfill situation.

## Section 13: Disposal Considerations

Limestone can be treated as a common waste for disposal or dumped into a landfill site in accordance with local authority guidelines.

Keep material out of storm water and sewer drains.

Measures should be taken to prevent dust generation during disposal, and exposure and personal precautions should be observed (see above).

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## Section 14: Transport Information

<b>UN Number:</b>	None allocated
<b>Proper Shipping Name:</b>	None allocated
<b>Class and Subsidiary Risk:</b>	None allocated
<b>Packing Group:</b>	None allocated
<b>Special precautions for user:</b>	Avoid generating and breathing dust
<b>Hazchem Code:</b>	None allocated

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## Section 15: Regulatory Information

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

<b>Poison schedule</b>	A poison schedule number has not been allocated to this product using the criteria in the Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP).
<b>Classifications</b>	Safework Australia criteria is based on the Globally Harmonised System (GHS) of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals.
<b>Inventory listings</b>	<b>AUSTRALIA: AICS (Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances)</b> All components are listed on AICS or are exempt.

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## Section 16: Other Information

<b>For further information on this product contact:</b>	<b>Telephone:</b> 1300 CEMENT (1300 236 368 - Business Hours) <b>Facsimile:</b> 1800 CEMENT (1800 236 368)
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## Australian and New Zealand Standards:

- AS 2161: Industrial Safety Gloves and Mittens (excluding electrical and medical gloves).
- AS/NZ 1336: Recommended Practices for Occupational Eye Protection.
- AS/NZS 1715: Selection, use and maintenance of respiratory protective devices.
- AS/NZS 1716: Respiratory protective devices.
- AS/NZS 4501: Occupational protective clothing.

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