

# PEARL®

## Safety Data Sheet Coated Abrasives

### 1. IDENTIFICATION

**Product Identifier:** Coated Abrasives: Glue over Glue, Resin over Resin, Fiber, Cotton Cloth, Polyester Backing or Paper (Cloth or Paper Sheets, Flap Wheels, Flap Discs, Fiber Discs, PSA Cloth Discs, Shop Rolls, Abrasive Belts, Floor Sanding Products, Dry Wall Sheets, Paper Stearate Discs).

**Product Use:** Abrasive materials used for sanding metals, concrete, masonry, and building materials.

**Restrictions on Use:** Use only as directed.

**Manufacturer:** Pearl Abrasive Co.  
6832 E. Slauson Ave.  
Commerce, CA 90040

**Phone:** (800) 969-5561  
**Emergency Phone:** (562) 927-5561  
**Website:** [www.pearlabrasive.com](http://www.pearlabrasive.com)

**Date of Preparation:** March 31, 2015

### 2. HAZARD(S) IDENTIFICATION

As sold, this product is a manufactured article and is not classified as hazardous according to OSHA Communication Standard, 29 CFR 1910.1200.

### 3. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Chemical name	CAS No.	Concentration
Aluminum Oxide	1344-28-1	0
and/or Silicon Carbide	409-21-2	0
and/or Garnet	12178-41-5	0
and/or Zirconium Oxide	1314-23-4	0
Cured Phenolic or Urea Formaldehyde	N/A	5
and/or Calcium Carbonate	1317-65-3	0
and/or Calcium Stearate	1592-23-0	5
and/or Calcium Sulfate	7778-18-9	0
and/or Zinc Stearate	557-05-1	0
and/or Cryolite (as fluorides)*	15096-52-3	0
and/or Potassium Fluoroborate	14075-53-7	5
and/or Flame Retardant	Proprietary	0
And/or Kaolin	1332-58-7	0
and/or Crystalline Silica, Quartz*	14808-60-7	0
Cotton or Polyester Cloth	N/A	1
and/or paper backing	N/A	2
and/or fibre	N/A	3

\*Test data indicates that the crystalline silica in this product is inextricably bound in a manner that no exposure occurs during normal use and handling. Therefore this product is not classified as a carcinogen.

The specific identity and/or exact percentage has been withheld as a trade secret.

## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

**Ingestion:** If sanding dust is swallowed, seek medical attention.

**Inhalation:** If overexposed to sanding dust, remove victim to fresh air and get medical attention.

**Eye Contact:** Flush eyes thoroughly with water, holding open eyelids. Get medical attention if irritation persists. Obtain immediate medical attention for foreign body in the eye.

**Skin Contact:** Wash dust from skin with soap and water. Launder contaminated clothing before reuse.

**Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed:** May cause mechanical eye and skin irritation. Inhalation of dust may cause nose, throat and upper respiratory irritation. Exposure to dust generated from processing the base material or coatings may present additional health hazards.

**Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment, if necessary:** Immediate medical attention is generally not required

## 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

**Suitable (and unsuitable) extinguishing media:** Use any media that is appropriate for the surrounding fire.

**Specific hazards arising from the chemical:** This product is not combustible; however, consideration must be given to the potential fire/explosion hazards from the base material being processed. Many materials create flammable/explosive dusts or turnings when sanded, machined or ground.

**Special protective equipment and precautions for fire-fighters:** Firefighters should wear full emergency equipment and NIOSH approved positive pressure self-contained breathing apparatus.

## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

**Personal precautions, protective equipment, and emergency procedures:** Wear appropriate respirator and protective clothing as needed to avoid eye contact and inhalation of dust.

**Environmental precautions:** Avoid release into the environment. Report release as required to authorities.

**Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up:** Pick up, sweep up or vacuum and place in a container for disposal. Minimize generation of dust.

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

**Precautions for safe handling:** Use only with adequate ventilation. Avoid breathing dust. Wash thoroughly after handling and use, especially before eating, drinking or smoking. Consider potential exposure to components of the base materials or coatings being sanded or ground. Refer to OSHA's substance specific standards for additional work practice requirements where applicable.



Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities: Store in a dry location.

### 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

<b>Aluminum Oxide</b>	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> ACGIH TLV (respirable fraction) (as Al metal) 15 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA OSHA PEL (total dust) 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA OSHA PEL (respirable fraction)
<b>Silicon Carbide</b>	3 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA ACGIH TLV (respirable fraction) 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA ACGIH TLV (inhalable fraction) 15 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA OSHA PEL (total dust) 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA OSHA PEL (respirable fraction)
<b>Garnet</b>	None Established
<b>Zirconium Oxide (as Zr)</b>	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA ACGIH TLV 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup> STEL ACGIH TLV 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA OSHA PEL
<b>Cured Phenolic or Urea Formaldehyde Resin</b>	None Established
<b>Calcium Carbonate</b>	15 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA OSHA PEL (total dust) 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA OSHA PEL (respirable fraction)
<b>Calcium Stearate</b>	None Established
<b>Calcium Sulfate</b>	10 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA ACGIH TLV (inhalable) 15 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA OSHA PEL (total dust) 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA OSHA PEL (respirable fraction)
<b>Zinc Stearate</b>	10 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA ACGIH TLV 15 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA OSHA PEL (total dust) 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA OSHA PEL (respirable fraction)
<b>Cryolite (as fluorides)</b>	2.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA ACGIH TLV 2.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA OSHA PEL
<b>Potassium Fluoroborate (as fluorides)</b>	2.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA ACGIH TLV 2.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA OSHA PEL
<b>Flame Retardant</b>	None Established
<b>Kaolin</b>	2 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA ACGIH TLV (respirable) 15 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA OSHA PEL (total dust) 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA OSHA PEL (respirable fraction)
<b>Cotton or Polyester Cloth</b>	None Established
<b>Crystalline Silica, Quartz</b>	<u>10 mg/m<sup>3</sup></u> (respirable) OSHA PEL % Silica + 2
	0.025 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA ACGIH TLV
<b>Paper Backing</b>	None Established
<b>Fiber</b>	None Established

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

**Appearance (physical state, color, etc.):** Cloth or paper coated with abrasive material in sheets, discs or on wheels.

**Odor:** No Odor

<b>Odor threshold:</b> Not applicable	<b>pH:</b> Not applicable
<b>Melting point/freezing point:</b> Not applicable	<b>Boiling Point:</b> Not applicable
<b>Flash point:</b> Not applicable	<b>Evaporation rate:</b> Not applicable
<b>Flammability (solid, gas):</b> Not combustible	
<b>Flammable limits: LEL:</b> Not applicable	<b>UEL:</b> Not applicable
<b>Vapor pressure:</b> Not applicable	<b>Vapor density:</b>
<b>Relative density:</b> Not applicable	<b>Solubility(ies):</b> Not soluble
<b>Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water:</b> Not applicable	<b>Auto-ignition temperature:</b> Not applicable
<b>Decomposition temperature:</b> Not applicable	<b>Viscosity:</b> Not applicable

## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**Reactivity:** Not reactive

**Chemical Stability:** Stable

**Possibility of Hazardous Reactions:** None known

**Conditions to avoid:** None known

**Incompatible materials:** None known

**Hazardous Decomposition Products:** Dust from sanding could contain ingredients listed in Section 3 and other, potentially more hazardous components of the base material being sanded or coatings applied to the base material.

## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Routes of exposure:**

**Inhalation:** Dust may cause respiratory irritation.

**Ingestion:** None expected under normal use conditions. Swallowing large pieces may cause obstruction of the gastrointestinal tract.

**Skin contact:** None expected under normal use conditions. Rubbing product across the skin may cause mechanical irritation or abrasions.

**Eye contact:** Dust may cause eye irritation. Dust particles may cause abrasive injury to the eyes.

**Chronic effects from short- and long-term exposure:** Long-term overexposure to respirable dust may cause lung damage (fibrosis) with symptoms of coughing, shortness of breath and diminished breathing capacity. Chronic effects may be aggravated by smoking. Excessive inhalation of respirable crystalline silica dust may cause a progressive, disabling and sometimes fatal lung disease called silicosis. Symptoms include cough, shortness of breath, wheezing, non-specific chest illness and reduced pulmonary function. Test data indicates that the crystalline silica in this product is inextricably bound in a manner that no exposure occurs during normal use and handling. Prolonged overexposure to fluorides may cause a bone condition, fluorosis. Prolonged exposure to elevated noise levels during operations may affect hearing. A greater hazard, in most cases, is the exposure to the dust/fumes from the material or paint/coatings being sanded. Most of the dust generated during sanding is from the base material being sanded and the potential hazard from this exposure must be evaluated.

**Carcinogenicity:** Crystalline silica quartz is listed as "Carcinogenic to Humans" (Group 1) by IARC and "Known to be a Human Carcinogen" by NTP. The crystalline silica is inextricably bound in a manner that no exposure occurs during normal use and handling. None of the other components are listed as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by OSHA, NTP or IARC.

**Numerical measures of toxicity:**

Aluminum Oxide: LD50 Oral rat >5,000 mg/kg, Inhalation rat LC50 >7.6 mg/L/1 hr Silicon Carbide: Oral rat LD50 >2000 mg/kg, Dermal rat LD50 >2000 mg/kg Garnet: No toxicity data available



Zirconium Oxide: Oral rat LD50 > 5000 mg/kg, Inhalation rat LC50 > 4.3 mg/L/4 hr. Calcium Carbonate:  
No toxicity data available  
Calcium Stearate: No toxicity data available  
Calcium Sulfate: Oral rat LD50 > 1581 mg/kg, Inhalation rat LC50 > 3.26 mg/L/4 hr  
Zinc Stearate: LD50 oral rat > 1581 mg/kg, LC50 inhalation rat > 3.26 mg/L  
Cryolite: LD50 oral rat > 10000 mg/kg, LC50 inhalation rat > 200 mg/L, LD50 dermal rabbit > 2000 mg/kg  
Potassium Fluoroborate: Oral rat LD50 > 2000 mg/kg, Inhalation rat LC50 > 5.3 mg/L/4 hr  
Kaolin: Oral rat LD50 > 5000 mg/kg  
Crystalline Silica, Quartz: No toxicity data available

## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Ecotoxicity:

Aluminum Oxide: 96 hr LC50 Pimephales promelas 35 mg/L Silicon Carbide: No data available  
Garnet: No data available  
Zirconium Oxide: 96 hr LC50 Danio rerio > 100 mg/L, 48 hr EC50 daphnia magna > 100 mg/L, 72 hr EC50  
Calcium Carbonate: No data available  
Calcium Stearate: No data available  
Calcium Sulfate: 96 hr LC50 Pimephales promelas > 1970 mg/L, 48 hr EC50 daphnia magna > 79 mg/L, 72 hr  
EC50 Pseudokirchnerella subcapitata > 79 mg/L Zinc Stearate: No data available

Cryolite: Danio rerio LC50 > 100 mg/L/96hr  
Potassium Fluoroborate: 96 hr LC50 Leuciscus idus 760 mg/L, 48 hr EC50 daphnia magna > 100 mg/L, 72 hr  
EC50 Pseudokirchnerella subcapitata > 100 mg/L Kaolin: No data available  
Crystalline Silica, Quartz: 72 hr LC50 carp > 10,000 mg/L

**Persistence and degradability:** Biodegradation is not applicable to inorganic compounds.

**Bioaccumulative potential:** No data available

**Mobility in soil:** No data available.

**Other adverse effects:** No data available.

## 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Dispose in accordance with all applicable local, state/provincial and federal regulations. Local regulations may be more stringent than regional and national requirements. It is the responsibility of the waste generator to determine the toxicity and physical characteristics of the material to determine the proper waste identification and disposal in compliance with applicable regulations.

## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

	UN Number	Proper shipping name	Hazard Class	Packing Group	Environmental Hazard
DOT	None	Not Regulated	None	None	
TDG	None	Not Regulated	None	None	

**Transport in bulk (according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code):** Not applicable – product is transported only in packaged form.

**Special precautions:** None identified.



## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

**SARA Section 311/312 Hazard Categories:** Not Applicable (manufactured articles)

**SARA Section 313:** This product contains the following toxic chemicals subject to the reporting requirements of Section 313 of Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 and 40 CFR Part 372 (Toxic Chemical Release Reporting):

Components	C.A.S. #	WT %
Zinc Stearate (as zinc compounds)	557-05-1	0-10

(Only in 9x11 Sheets - No Load Stearate, Fileboard Sheets - No Load, PSA Paper Discs - Stearate and Premium and Hook and Loop Paper Discs - Premium)

**California Proposition 65:** WARNING! You create dust when you cut, sand, drill, or grind materials such as wood, paint, cement, masonry or metal. This dust often contains chemicals known to cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm.

## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

<b>NFPA Rating:</b> Health = 1	Flammability = 0	Instability = 0
<b>HMIS Rating:</b> Health = 1	Flammability = 0	Physical Hazard = 0

The preceding information is believed to be correct and current as of the date of preparation of this Material Safety Data Sheet. Since the use of this information and the conditions of use of this product are not within the control of Pearl Abrasive Co., it is the user's obligation to assure safe use of this product.