

SAFETY DATA SHEET

1. Identification

Product identifier	VOLTEX®
Other means of identification	None.
Recommended use	Not available.
Recommended restrictions	Workers (and your customers or users in the case of resale) should be informed of the potential presence of respirable dust and respirable crystalline silica as well as their potential hazards. Appropriate training in the proper use and handling of this material should be provided as required under applicable regulations.

Manufacturer/Importer/Supplier/Distributor information

Manufacturer

Company name	CETCO, an MTI Company		
Address	2870 Forbs Avenue Hoffman Estates, IL 60192 United States		
Telephone	General Information	800 527-9948	
Website	http://www.cetco.com/		
E-mail	safetydata@mineralstech.com		
Emergency phone number	Emergency	1.866.519.4752/1 760 476 3962	
Americas	1.866.519.4752 (US, Canada, Mexico) 1 760 476 3962		

2. Hazard(s) identification

Physical hazards	Not classified.	
Health hazards	Carcinogenicity	Category 1A
	Specific target organ toxicity, repeated exposure	Category 1
Environmental hazards	Not classified.	
OSHA defined hazards	Not classified.	
Label elements		



Signal word	Danger	
Hazard statement	May cause cancer. Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.	
Precautionary statement		
Prevention	Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Do not breathe dust. Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray. Wash thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.	
Response	If exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention.	
Storage	Store away from incompatible materials. Store in accordance with local/regional/national regulations.	
Disposal	Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.	
Hazard(s) not otherwise classified (HNOC)	None known.	
Supplemental information	None.	

3. Composition/information on ingredients

Mixtures

Chemical name	Common name and synonyms	CAS number	%
BENTONITE		1302-78-9	100
Constituents			
Chemical name	Common name and synonyms	CAS number	%
QUARTZ (SiO ₂)		14808-60-7	
CRISTOBALITE		14464-46-1	

*Designates that a specific chemical identity and/or percentage of composition has been withheld as a trade secret.

Composition comments This product contains naturally occurring crystalline silica (not listed in Annex I of Directive 67/548/EEC) in quantities less than 6%.

4. First-aid measures

Inhalation	If symptoms are experienced, remove source of contamination or move victim to fresh air. If the affected person is not breathing, apply artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Call a physician if symptoms develop or persist.
Skin contact	Get medical attention if irritation develops or persists. No special measures required.
Eye contact	Flush eyes immediately with large amounts of water. Get medical attention if irritation develops or persists.
Ingestion	If ingestion of a large amount does occur, seek medical attention. No special measures required.
Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed	Prolonged exposure may cause chronic effects.
Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed	Provide general supportive measures and treat symptomatically. Keep victim under observation. Symptoms may be delayed.
General information	IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention. If you feel unwell, seek medical advice (show the label where possible). Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, and take precautions to protect themselves.

5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable extinguishing media	Dry chemical, CO ₂ , water spray or regular foam. Use any media suitable for the surrounding fires.
Unsuitable extinguishing media	None known.
Specific hazards arising from the chemical	During fire, gases hazardous to health may be formed.
Special protective equipment and precautions for firefighters	As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear. Material can be slippery when wet.
Fire fighting equipment/instructions	Use water spray to cool unopened containers.
Specific methods	Use standard firefighting procedures and consider the hazards of other involved materials.
General fire hazards	Not a fire hazard. No unusual fire or explosion hazards noted.

6. Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures	Keep unnecessary personnel away. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Material can be slippery when wet. Wear appropriate protective equipment and clothing during clean-up. Wear a dust mask if dust is generated above exposure limits. Ensure adequate ventilation. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained. For personal protection, see section 8 of the SDS.
Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up	Avoid the generation of dusts during clean-up. This product is miscible in water. This material is classified as a water pollutant under the Clean Water Act and should be prevented from contaminating soil or from entering sewage and drainage systems which lead to waterways. Collect dust or particulates using a vacuum cleaner with a HEPA filter. Stop the flow of material, if this is without risk. Following product recovery, flush area with water. Put material in suitable, covered, labeled containers. For waste disposal, see section 13 of the SDS. None necessary. Reduce airborne dust and prevent scattering by moistening with water.
Environmental precautions	Avoid discharge into drains, water courses or onto the ground.

7. Handling and storage

Precautions for safe handling

Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Keep formation of airborne dusts to a minimum. Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed. Do not breathe dust. When using, do not eat, drink or smoke. Should be handled in closed systems, if possible. In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment. Wash hands thoroughly after handling. Observe good industrial hygiene practices.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

No special restrictions on storage with other products. No special storage conditions required. Guard against dust accumulation of this material. Keep out of the reach of children. Store away from incompatible materials (see Section 10 of the SDS).

8. Exposure controls/personal protection

Occupational exposure limits

US. OSHA Table Z-1 Permissible Exposure Limits (PEL) for Air Contaminants (29 CFR 1910.1000)

Constituents	Type	Value	Form
CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	PEL	0.05 mg/m3	Respirable dust.
QUARTZ (SIO2) (CAS 14808-60-7)	PEL	0.05 mg/m3	Respirable dust.

US. OSHA Table Z-3 Permissible Exposure Limits (PEL) for Mineral Dusts (29 CFR 1910.1000)

Constituents	Type	Value	Form
CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	TWA	0.05 mg/m3	Respirable.
		1.2 mppcf	Respirable.
QUARTZ (SIO2) (CAS 14808-60-7)	TWA	0.1 mg/m3	Respirable.
		2.4 mppcf	Respirable.

US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)

Constituents	Type	Value	Form
CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	TWA	0.025 mg/m3	Respirable fraction.
QUARTZ (SIO2) (CAS 14808-60-7)	TWA	0.025 mg/m3	Respirable fraction.

NIOSH. Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health (IDLH) Values, as amended

Constituents	Type	Value
CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	IDLH	25 mg/m3
QUARTZ (SIO2) (CAS 14808-60-7)	IDLH	50 mg/m3

US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards Recommended Exposure Limits (REL)

Constituents	Type	Value	Form
CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	TWA	0.05 mg/m3	Respirable dust.
QUARTZ (SIO2) (CAS 14808-60-7)	TWA	0.05 mg/m3	Respirable dust.

Biological limit values

No biological exposure limits noted for the ingredient(s).

Exposure guidelines

Occupational exposure to nuisance dust (total and respirable) and respirable crystalline silica should be monitored and controlled.

Appropriate engineering controls

If engineering measures are not sufficient to maintain concentrations of dust particulates below the OEL, suitable respiratory protection must be worn. Good general ventilation should be used. Ventilation rates should be matched to conditions. If applicable, use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to maintain airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If exposure limits have not been established, maintain airborne levels to an acceptable level. If material is ground, cut, or used in any operation which may generate dusts, use appropriate local exhaust ventilation to keep exposures below the recommended exposure limits.

Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

Eye/face protection

Applicable for industrial settings only. Wear dust goggles.

Skin protection	
Hand protection	Applicable for industrial settings only. Wear appropriate chemical resistant gloves.
Other	No special protective equipment required. Applicable for industrial settings only. Use of an impervious apron is recommended.
Respiratory protection	Applicable for industrial settings only. Use a particulate filter respirator for particulate concentrations exceeding the Occupational Exposure Limit.
Thermal hazards	Wear appropriate thermal protective clothing, when necessary.
General hygiene considerations	Observe any medical surveillance requirements. Always observe good personal hygiene measures, such as washing after handling the material and before eating, drinking, and/or smoking. Routinely wash work clothing and protective equipment to remove contaminants. Eye wash fountain is recommended. Use good industrial hygiene practices in handling this material.

9. Physical and chemical properties

Appearance	The product consists of bentonite granules between geotextile layers
Physical state	Solid.
Form	Solid. Mat or Fabric
Color	Various.
Odor	None.
Odor threshold	Not available.
pH	Not available.
Melting point/freezing point	842 °F (450 °C) estimated
Initial boiling point and boiling range	Not available.
Flash point	Not flammable
Evaporation rate	Not available.
Flammability (solid, gas)	Not available.
Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits	
Explosive limit - lower (%)	Not explosive
Explosive limit - upper (%)	Not explosive
Vapor pressure	Not available.
Vapor density	Not available.
Relative density	Not available.
Solubility(ies)	
Solubility (water)	Negligible
Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water)	Not available.
Auto-ignition temperature	Not available.
Decomposition temperature	Not available.
Viscosity	Not available.
Other information	
Explosive properties	Not explosive.
Oxidizing properties	Not oxidizing.
VOC	CARB

10. Stability and reactivity

Reactivity	The product is stable and non-reactive under normal conditions of use, storage and transport.
Chemical stability	Stable at normal conditions.
Possibility of hazardous reactions	Hazardous polymerization does not occur. Will not occur.
Conditions to avoid	None known. Contact with incompatible materials.
Incompatible materials	Powerful oxidizers. Chlorine. None known.
Hazardous decomposition products	None known.

11. Toxicological information

Information on likely routes of exposure

Inhalation	No adverse effects due to inhalation are expected.
Skin contact	No adverse effects due to skin contact are expected.
Eye contact	Direct contact with eyes may cause temporary irritation.
Ingestion	Expected to be a low ingestion hazard.

Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics	Direct contact with eyes may cause temporary irritation.
--	--

Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity	Not known.
Skin corrosion/irritation	Prolonged skin contact may cause temporary irritation.
Serious eye damage/eye irritation	Mild irritant to eyes (according to the modified Kay & Calandra criteria)

Respiratory or skin sensitization

Respiratory sensitization	Not a respiratory sensitizer.
Skin sensitization	According to the classification criteria of the European Union, the product is not considered as being a skin irritant.

Germ cell mutagenicity	No data available to indicate product or any components present at greater than 0.1% are mutagenic or genotoxic.
------------------------	--

Carcinogenicity	In 1997, IARC (the International Agency for Research on Cancer) concluded that crystalline silica inhaled from occupational sources can cause lung cancer in humans. However in making the overall evaluation, IARC noted that "carcinogenicity was not detected in all industrial circumstances studied. Carcinogenicity may be dependent on inherent characteristics of the crystalline silica or on external factors affecting its biological activity or distribution of its polymorphs." (IARC Monographs on the evaluation of the carcinogenic risks of chemicals to humans, Silica, silicates dust and organic fibres, 1997, Vol. 68, IARC, Lyon, France.) In June 2003, SCOEL (the EU Scientific Committee on Occupational Exposure Limits) concluded that the main effect in humans of the inhalation of respirable crystalline silica dust is silicosis. "There is sufficient information to conclude that the relative risk of lung cancer is increased in persons with silicosis (and, apparently, not in employees without silicosis exposed to silica dust in quarries and in the ceramic industry). Therefore, preventing the onset of silicosis will also reduce the cancer risk..." (SCOEL SUM Doc 94-final, June 2003) According to the current state of the art, worker protection against silicosis can be consistently assured by respecting the existing regulatory occupational exposure limits. May cause cancer. Occupational exposure to respirable dust and respirable crystalline silica should be monitored and controlled.
-----------------	---

IARC Monographs. Overall Evaluation of Carcinogenicity

CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	1 Carcinogenic to humans.
QUARTZ (SiO ₂) (CAS 14808-60-7)	1 Carcinogenic to humans.

OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1053)

CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	Cancer
QUARTZ (SiO ₂) (CAS 14808-60-7)	Cancer

US. National Toxicology Program (NTP) Report on Carcinogens

CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	Known To Be Human Carcinogen.
QUARTZ (SiO ₂) (CAS 14808-60-7)	Known To Be Human Carcinogen.

Reproductive toxicity	This product is not expected to cause reproductive or developmental effects.
Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure	Not classified.
Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure	Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.
Aspiration hazard	Not an aspiration hazard.

Chronic effects

In 1997, IARC (the International Agency for Research on Cancer) concluded that crystalline silica inhaled from occupational sources can cause lung cancer in humans. However in making the overall evaluation, IARC noted that "carcinogenicity was not detected in all industrial circumstances studied. Carcinogenicity may be dependent on inherent characteristics of the crystalline silica or on external factors affecting its biological activity or distribution of its polymorphs." (IARC Monographs on the evaluation of the carcinogenic risks of chemicals to humans, Silica, silicates dust and organic fibres, 1997, Vol. 68, IARC, Lyon, France.)

In June 2003, SCOEL (the EU Scientific Committee on Occupational Exposure Limits) concluded that the main effect in humans of the inhalation of respirable crystalline silica dust is silicosis. "There is sufficient information to conclude that the relative risk of lung cancer is increased in persons with silicosis (and, apparently, not in employees without silicosis exposed to silica dust in quarries and in the ceramic industry). Therefore, preventing the onset of silicosis will also reduce the cancer risk..." (SCOEL SUM Doc 94-final, June 2003)

According to the current state of the art, worker protection against silicosis can be consistently assured by respecting the existing regulatory occupational exposure limits. Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure. Prolonged exposure may cause chronic effects. Occupational exposure to nuisance dust (total and respirable) and respirable crystalline silica should be monitored and controlled.

12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity

This product is not expected to produce significant ecotoxicity upon exposure to aquatic organisms and aquatic systems.

Components	Species	Test Results
BENTONITE (CAS 1302-78-9)		
Aquatic		
<i>Acute</i>		
Fish	LC50 Rainbow trout,donaldson trout (Oncorhynchus mykiss)	19000 mg/l, 96 hours

Persistence and degradability

No data is available on the degradability of this product.

Bioaccumulative potential

No data available.

Mobility in soil

No data available.

Other adverse effects

No other adverse environmental effects (e.g. ozone depletion, photochemical ozone creation potential, endocrine disruption, global warming potential) are expected from this component.

13. Disposal considerations

Disposal instructions

Collect and reclaim or dispose in sealed containers at licensed waste disposal site. Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations. Material should be recycled if possible.

Local disposal regulations

Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations.

Hazardous waste code

The waste code should be assigned in discussion between the user, the producer and the waste disposal company.

Waste from residues / unused products

Dispose of in accordance with local regulations. Empty containers or liners may retain some product residues. This material and its container must be disposed of in a safe manner (see: Disposal instructions).

Contaminated packaging

Since emptied containers may retain product residue, follow label warnings even after container is emptied. Empty containers should be taken to an approved waste handling site for recycling or disposal.

14. Transport information

DOT

Not regulated as dangerous goods.

IATA

Not regulated as dangerous goods.

IMDG

Not regulated as dangerous goods.

Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code

Not applicable.

General information

IMDG Regulated Marine Pollutant. DOT Regulated Marine Pollutant.

15. Regulatory information

US federal regulations

This product is a "Hazardous Chemical" as defined by the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard, 29 CFR 1910.1200.
OSHA Process Safety Standard: This material is not known to be hazardous by the OSHA Highly Hazardous Process Safety Standard, 29 CFR 1910.119.

Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA)

TSCA Section 12(b) Export Notification (40 CFR 707, Subpt. D)

Not regulated.

CERCLA Hazardous Substance List (40 CFR 302.4)

Not listed.

SARA 304 Emergency release notification

Not regulated.

OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1053)

CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	Cancer
QUARTZ (SIO2) (CAS 14808-60-7)	Cancer
CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	lung effects
QUARTZ (SIO2) (CAS 14808-60-7)	lung effects
CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	immune system effects
QUARTZ (SIO2) (CAS 14808-60-7)	immune system effects
CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	kidney effects
QUARTZ (SIO2) (CAS 14808-60-7)	kidney effects

Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA)

SARA 302 Extremely hazardous substance

Not listed.

SARA 311/312 Hazardous chemical

No (Exempt)

SARA 313 (TRI reporting)

Not regulated.

Other federal regulations

Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112 Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs) List

Not regulated.

Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112(r) Accidental Release Prevention (40 CFR 68.130)

Not regulated.

Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA)

Not regulated.

Food and Drug Administration (FDA)

Total food additive
Indirect food additive
GRAS food additive

US state regulations

WARNING: This product contains a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer.

California Proposition 65



WARNING: This product can expose you to QUARTZ (SIO2): CRISTOBALITE, which is known to the State of California to cause cancer. For more information go to www.P65Warnings.ca.gov.

California Proposition 65 - CRT: Listed date/Carcinogenic substance

CRISTOBALITE (CAS 14464-46-1)	Listed: October 1, 1988
QUARTZ (SIO2) (CAS 14808-60-7)	Listed: October 1, 1988

International Inventories

Country(s) or region	Inventory name	On inventory (yes/no)*
Australia	Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals (AICIS)	Yes
Canada	Domestic Substances List (DSL)	Yes
Canada	Non-Domestic Substances List (NDSL)	No
China	Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China (IECSC)	Yes
Europe	European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances (EINECS)	Yes
Europe	European List of Notified Chemical Substances (ELINCS)	No
Japan	Inventory of Existing and New Chemical Substances (ENCS)	Yes

Country(s) or region	Inventory name	On inventory (yes/no)*
Korea	Existing Chemicals List (ECL)	Yes
New Zealand	New Zealand Inventory	Yes
Philippines	Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances (PICCS)	Yes
Taiwan	Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory (TCSI)	Yes
United States & Puerto Rico	Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Inventory	Yes

*A "Yes" indicates that all components of this product comply with the inventory requirements administered by the governing country(s)
A "No" indicates that one or more components of the product are not listed or exempt from listing on the inventory administered by the governing country(s).

16. Other information, including date of preparation or last revision

Issue date	23-July-2018
Revision date	27-August-2024
Version #	05
Further information	This safety datasheet only contains information relating to safety and does not replace any product information or product specification.
HMIS® ratings	Health: 3* Flammability: 0 Physical hazard: 0
NFPA ratings	Health: 2 Flammability: 0 Instability: 0
Disclaimer	CETCO, an MTI Company cannot anticipate all conditions under which this information and its product, or the products of other manufacturers in combination with its product, may be used. It is the user's responsibility to ensure safe conditions for handling, storage and disposal of the product, and to assume liability for loss, injury, damage or expense due to improper use. The information in the sheet was written based on the best knowledge and experience currently available. The information provided in this Safety Data Sheet is correct to the best of our knowledge, information and belief at the date of its publication. The information given is designed only as a guidance for safe handling, use, processing, storage, transportation, disposal and release and is not to be considered a warranty or quality specification. The manufacturer expressly does not make any representations, warranties, or guarantees as to its accuracy, reliability or completeness nor assumes any liability, for its use. It is the user's responsibility to verify the suitability and completeness of such information for each particular use. Third party materials: Insofar as materials not manufactured or supplied by this manufacturer are used in conjunction with, or instead of this product, it is the responsibility of the customer to obtain, from the manufacturer or supplier, all technical data and other properties relating to these and other materials and to obtain all necessary information relating to them. No liability can be accepted in respect of the use of this product in conjunction with materials from another supplier. The information relates only to the specific material designated and may not be valid for such material used in combination with any other materials or in any process, unless specified in the text.
Revision information	This document has undergone significant changes and should be reviewed in its entirety.