



SAFETY DATA SHEET

1. Identification

Product identifier	HECTABRITE® DP
Other means of identification	
Synonyms	Smectite * Bentonite * Hectorite * Sodium-activated Bentonite
Recommended use	Bentonite has a variety of uses. It can be used as a rheology modifier, binding agent, adsorbent, hydraulic-barrier, and filler.
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	American Colloid Company		
Address	2870 Forbs Avenue Hoffman Estates, IL 60192 United States		
Telephone	General Information	800 426-5564	
Website	http://www.colloid.com/ISG/		
E-mail	safetydata@mineralstech.com		
Emergency phone number	Not available.		
Americas	1.866.519.4752 (US, Canada, Mexico) 1 760 476 3962 Access Code 333562, (Available 24 hours a day. SDS/Product information may not be available for the Emergency Services.)		

2. Hazard(s) identification

Physical hazards	Not classified.
Health hazards	Not classified.
Environmental hazards	Not classified.
OSHA defined hazards	Not classified.
Label elements	
Hazard symbol	None.
Signal word	None.
Hazard statement	The substance does not meet the criteria for classification.
Precautionary statement	
Prevention	Observe good industrial hygiene practices.
Response	Wash hands after handling.
Storage	Store away from incompatible materials.
Disposal	Dispose of waste and residues in accordance with local authority requirements.
Hazard(s) not otherwise classified (HNOC)	None known.
Supplemental information	None.

3. Composition/information on ingredients

Substances

Chemical name	Common name and synonyms	CAS number	%
Hectorite	Smectite Bentonite Hectorite Sodium-activated Bentonite	1302-78-9	100

Constituents

Chemical name	CAS number	%
CALCIUM CARBONATE	471-34-1	
SMECTITE GROUP MINERALS	1318-93-0	
QUARTZ	14808-60-7	<= 8
CRISTOBALITE	14464-46-1	<= 2

*Designates that a specific chemical identity and/or percentage of composition has been withheld as a trade secret. Bentonite is a UVCB substance sub-type 4. The purity of the product is 100 % w/w. Bentonite is composed mainly of smectite group minerals but the composition is varied, as expected for a UVCB substance, and other mineral constituents will be present in small and varying amounts. These minor constituents are not relevant for classification and labelling.

Composition comments Occupational Exposure Limits for constituents are listed in Section 8.

4. First-aid measures

Inhalation	Move to fresh air.
Skin contact	Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists.
Eye contact	Do not rub eyes. Rinse with water. Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists. No specific first aid measures noted.
Ingestion	Do not induce vomiting. If vomiting occurs, the head should be kept low so that stomach vomit doesn't enter the lungs. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed	Dust in the eyes will cause irritation. Dusts may irritate the respiratory tract, skin and eyes.

5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable extinguishing media	Use any media suitable for the surrounding fires.
Unsuitable extinguishing media	Not applicable, non-combustible.
Specific hazards arising from the chemical	None known. The product itself does not burn.
Special protective equipment and precautions for firefighters	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	No unusual fire or explosion hazards noted.

6. Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures	Keep unnecessary personnel away. Material can be slippery when wet. Wear appropriate protective equipment and clothing during clean-up. Use a NIOSH/MSHA approved respirator if there is a risk of exposure to dust/fume at levels exceeding the exposure limits. For personal protection, see section 8 of the SDS. No special precautions are necessary beyond normal good hygiene practices. See Section 8 for additional personal protection advice when handling this product.
Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up	Stop the flow of material, if this is without risk. Collect dust using a vacuum cleaner equipped with HEPA filter. Large Spills: Wet down with water and dike for later disposal. Shovel the material into waste container. Avoid the generation of dusts during clean-up. Following product recovery, flush area with water. Small Spills: Sweep up or vacuum up spillage and collect in suitable container for disposal. For waste disposal, see section 13 of the SDS. Collect powder using special dust vacuum cleaner with particle filter or carefully sweep into closed container.
Environmental precautions	Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Avoid discharge into drains, water courses or onto the ground. No special environmental precautions required.

7. Handling and storage

Precautions for safe handling	Minimize dust generation and accumulation. Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed. In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment. Practice good housekeeping.
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Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

No special restrictions on storage with other products. Store in a dry area. Store in original tightly closed container. Keep the container dry. Store in a well-ventilated place. 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-3 (29 CFR 1910.1000)**

Constituents	Type	Value	Form
INERT OR NUISANCE DUSTS	TWA	5 mg/m ³	Respirable fraction.
		15 mg/m ³	Total dust.
		50 mppcf	Total dust.
		15 mppcf	Respirable fraction.

Biological limit values

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

Appropriate engineering controls

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**

Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles). Wear dust-resistant safety goggles where there is danger of eye contact.

Skin protection**Hand protection**

Wear appropriate chemical resistant gloves. Suitable gloves can be recommended by the glove supplier. No protection is ordinarily required under normal conditions of use.

Other

Normal work clothing (long sleeved shirts and long pants) is recommended.

Respiratory protection

Use a NIOSH/MSHA approved respirator if there is a risk of exposure to dust/fume at levels exceeding the exposure limits.

Thermal hazards

Not applicable.

General hygiene considerations

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.

9. Physical and chemical properties**Appearance**

Lump, granular or fine powder.

Physical state

Solid.

Form

Powder. Various.

Color

Various.

Odor

None.

Odor threshold

Not applicable.

pH

8.5 - 11

Melting point/freezing point

> 842 °F (> 450 °C) / Not applicable.

Initial boiling point and boiling range

Not applicable.

Flash point

Not applicable.

Evaporation rate

Not available.

Flammability (solid, gas)

This product is not flammable.

Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits**Flammability limit - lower (%)**

Not applicable.

Flammability limit - upper (%)

Not applicable.

Explosive limit - lower (%)

Not available.

Explosive limit - upper (%)

Not available.

Vapor pressure

Not applicable.

Vapor density

Not applicable.

Relative density

2.6 g/cm³

Solubility(ies)	
Solubility (water)	< 0.9 mg/l
Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water)	Not applicable. Not applicable.
Auto-ignition temperature	Not applicable.
Decomposition temperature	> 932 °F (> 500 °C)
Viscosity	Not applicable.
Viscosity temperature	Not applicable.
Other information	
Bulk density	0.9 - 1.4 g/cm ³
Explosive limit	Not applicable.
Explosive properties	Not explosive. Not explosive
Explosivity	Not applicable.
Flame extension	Not applicable.
Flammability	Not applicable.
Flammability (flash back)	Not applicable.
Flammability (Heat of combustion)	Not applicable.
Flammability (Train fire)	Not applicable.
Flammability class	Not applicable.
Flash point class	Not flammable
Molecular formula	UVCB Substance
Molecular weight	Not applicable.
Oxidizing properties	Not oxidizing. None.
Percent volatile	0 %
pH in aqueous solution	8.5 - 11
Specific gravity	Not applicable.
VOC (Weight %)	CARB 0 %

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	Will not occur.
Conditions to avoid	Moisture. Avoid temperatures exceeding the decomposition temperature. Contact with incompatible materials.
Incompatible materials	None known.
Hazardous decomposition products	None.

11. Toxicological information

Information on likely routes of exposure

Inhalation	Dust may irritate respiratory system.
Skin contact	Dust or powder may irritate the skin.
Eye contact	Dust in the eyes will cause irritation.
Ingestion	Not classified.

Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics Dusts may irritate the respiratory tract, skin and eyes. None known.

Information on toxicological effects

Product	Species	Test Results
Hectorite (CAS 1302-78-9)		
Acute		
Inhalation		
<i>Dust</i>		
LC50	Rat	> 5.27 mg/l, 4 hr OECD 436
Oral		
<i>Dust</i>		
LD50	Rat	> 2000 mg/kg OECD 425

* Estimates for product may be based on additional component data not shown.

Skin corrosion/irritation Not classified.
Serious eye damage/eye irritation Not classified. Mild irritant to eyes (according to the modified Kay & Calandra criteria)

Respiratory or skin sensitization

Respiratory sensitization Not classified.

Skin sensitization Not classified.

Germ cell mutagenicity Not classified.

Carcinogenicity

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. Occupational exposure to respirable dust and respirable crystalline silica should be monitored and controlled. No carcinogenicity data available for this product. Sepiolite was evaluated by IARC as class 3 ("Cannot be classified as to carcinogenicity to humans"). Based on read-across with sepiolite, bentonite was assessed as non-carcinogenic. Therefore classification of bentonite for carcinogenicity is not warranted.

IARC Monographs. Overall Evaluation of Carcinogenicity

Not available.

US. National Toxicology Program (NTP) Report on Carcinogens

Not available.

Reproductive toxicity Not classified.

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure Not classified.

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure Not classified.

Aspiration hazard Not an aspiration hazard.

12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity The product is not classified as environmentally hazardous. However, this does not exclude the possibility that large or frequent spills can have a harmful or damaging effect on the environment.

Product	Species	Test Results
Hectorite (CAS 1302-78-9)		
Aquatic		
Algae	EC50	Freshwater algae > 100 mg/l, 72 hours
Crustacea	EC50	Coon stripe shrimp (<i>Pandalus danae</i>) 24.8 mg/l, 96 hours
		Daphnia > 100 mg/l, 48 hours
		Dungeness or edible crab (<i>Cancer magister</i>) 81.6 mg/l, 96 hours
Fish	LC50	Freshwater fish 16000 mg/l, 96 hours
		Marine water fish 2800 - 3200 mg/l, 24 hours

* Estimates for product may be based on additional component data not shown.

Persistence and degradability	Not relevant for inorganic substances
Bioaccumulative potential	Will not bio-accumulate.
Mobility in soil	Bentonite is almost insoluble and thus presents a low mobility in most soils.
Mobility in general	The product has poor water-solubility.
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 in accordance with all applicable regulations.
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. Store containers and offer for recycling of material when in accordance with the local regulations.

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.

15. Regulatory information

US federal regulations This product is not known to be a "Hazardous Chemical" as defined by the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard, 29 CFR 1910.1200.

CERCLA Hazardous Substance List (40 CFR 302.4)

Not listed.

Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA)

Hazard categories Immediate Hazard - No
Delayed Hazard - No
Fire Hazard - No
Pressure Hazard - No
Reactivity Hazard - No

SARA 302 Extremely hazardous substance

Not listed.

SARA 311/312 Hazardous chemical No

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
Direct food additive
GRAS food additive

US state regulations

US. California Controlled Substances. CA Department of Justice (California Health and Safety Code Section 11100)

Not listed.

US. Massachusetts RTK - Substance List

Not regulated.

US. New Jersey Worker and Community Right-to-Know Act

Not regulated.

US. Pennsylvania Worker and Community Right-to-Know Law

Not listed.

US. Rhode Island RTK

Not regulated.

US. California Proposition 65

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

International Inventories

Country(s) or region	Inventory name	On inventory (yes/no)*
Australia	Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)	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)	No
Korea	Existing Chemicals List (ECL)	Yes
New Zealand	New Zealand Inventory	Yes
Philippines	Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances (PICCS)	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	13-May-2014
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Further information	This safety datasheet only contains information relating to safety and does not replace any product information or product specification.
HMIS® ratings	Health: 1 Flammability: 0 Physical hazard: 0
NFPA ratings	Health: 1 Flammability: 0 Instability: 0

List of abbreviations

SWERF = Size-Weighted Relevant Fine Fraction methodology is a scientific method developed to quantify the content of respirable particles within a bulk product. All details about the SWERF method are available at www.crystallinesilica.eu.

UVCB = a substance of Unknown or Variable composition, Complex reaction products or Biological materials

References For any information on literature references or toxicity/ecotoxicity studies, please contact the supplier.

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Revision Information

This document has undergone significant changes and should be reviewed in its entirety.