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## Safety Data Sheet

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### SECTION 1: IDENTIFICATION

#### 1.1. Product Identifier

**Product Form:** Mixture

**Product Name:** Block

**Synonyms:** Concrete Block

#### 1.2. Intended Use of the Product

**Use of the substance/mixture:** Building Material. Construction and other operations where a high quality, high strength, block for architectural or residential wall construction.

#### 1.3. Name, Address, and Telephone of the Responsible Party

Acme Brick Company  
3024 Acme Brick Plaza  
Fort Worth, TX 76109  
Corporate Office: (817) 332-4101

#### 1.4. Emergency Telephone Number

**Emergency Number** (817) 870-8348  
Safety & Industrial Hygienist: (817) 870-8374

### SECTION 2: HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

#### 2.1. Classification of the Substance or Mixture

**Classification (GHS-US)**

Handling or machining of these products may produce respirable dust particles. Inhalation of dust may cause cancer.

**OSHA Regulatory status:** This product is considered an 'article' under 29 CFR Part 1910.1200. Under normal conditions of use, users of the product cannot be exposed to its contents. If the article is damaged and/or material is released, contents are not harmful. For informational purposes, this product would have the following OSHA classification;

Acute Health Hazard  
Chronic Health Hazard

#### 2.3. Other Hazards

Excessive dust exposure may aggravate any existing respiratory disorders or diseases. Possible complications or allergies resulting in irritation to skin, eyes, and respiratory tract may occur from excessive exposure to dusts. Concrete blocks as shipped, do not present an inhalation or ingestion hazard. Handling or machining of these products may produce respirable dust particles. Dust may irritate eyes, skin and respiratory tract. Inhalation of dust may cause cancer. A contact hazard does exist from flying chips or particles, sharp edges, crushed toes, etc.

#### 2.4. Unknown Acute Toxicity (GHS-US)

No data available

### SECTION 3: COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

#### 3.1. Substance

Not applicable

#### 3.2. Mixture

Name	Product Identifier	%	Classification (GHS-US)
Quartz	(CAS No) 14808-60-7	50 - 90	Carc. 1A, H350 STOT SE 3, H335 STOT RE 1, H372
Cement, portland, chemicals	(CAS No) 65997-15-1	12 - 15	Skin Irrit. 2, H315 Eye Dam. 1, H318 Skin Sens. 1, H317 STOT SE 3, H335
Calcium Carbonate	(CAS No) 471-34-1	0 - 10	Not classified
Fly Ash	(CAS No) Proprietary	0 - 5	Eye Irrit. 2B, H320
Iron Compounds	(CAS No) Proprietary	0 - 5	Not classified
Chromium Compounds	(CAS No) Proprietary	0 - 1	Comb. Dust, H232

Full text of H-phrases: see section 16

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## SECTION 4: FIRST AID MEASURES

### 4.1. Description of First Aid Measures

**First-aid Measures General:** Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention.

**First-aid Measures After Inhalation:** When symptoms occur: go into open air and ventilate suspected area. Remove to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. Call a POISON CENTER/doctor if you feel unwell.

**First-aid Measures After Skin Contact:** Remove contaminated clothing. Drench affected area with water for at least 15 minutes. Obtain medical attention if irritation develops or persists.

**First-aid Measures After Eye Contact:** Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Obtain medical attention if pain, blinking or redness persist. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

**First-aid Measures After Ingestion:** Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting. Obtain emergency medical attention.

### 4.2. Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

**Symptoms/Injuries:** Dust may cause mechanical irritation to eyes, nose, throat, and lungs. There are potential chronic health effects to consider.

**Symptoms/Injuries After Inhalation:** May cause cancer by inhalation.

**Symptoms/Injuries After Skin Contact:** Prolonged contact with large amounts of dust may cause mechanical irritation.

**Symptoms/Injuries After Eye Contact:** Eye contact with large amounts of dust may cause mechanical irritation.

**Symptoms/Injuries After Ingestion:** Ingestion is likely to be harmful or have adverse effects.

**Chronic Symptoms:** Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure. May cause cancer.

### 4.3. Indication of Any Immediate Medical Attention and Special Treatment Needed

If exposed or concerned, get medical advice and attention.

## SECTION 5: FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

### 5.1. Extinguishing Media

**Suitable Extinguishing Media:** Alcohol-resistant foam. Dry powder. Carbon dioxide. Water spray. Sand.

**Unsuitable Extinguishing Media:** Do not use a heavy water stream.

### 5.2. Special Hazards Arising From the Substance or Mixture

**Fire Hazard:** Combustible Dust. Dust explosion hazard in air. Supports combustion. Under conditions of fire this material may produce: Carbon dioxide. Carbon monoxide.

**Explosion Hazard:** Avoid dust clouds in combination with static electricity. Dust clouds can be explosive.

**Reactivity:** Stable at ambient temperature and under normal conditions of use.

### 5.3. Advice for Firefighters

**Precautionary Measures Fire:** Exercise caution when fighting any chemical fire.

**Firefighting Instructions:** Exercise caution when fighting any chemical fire. Do not allow run-off from fire fighting to enter drains or water courses.

**Protection During Firefighting:** Do not enter fire area without proper protective equipment, including respiratory protection.

**Other Information:** Refer to Section 9 for flammability properties.

## SECTION 6: ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

### 6.1. Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment and Emergency Procedures

**General Measures:** Avoid generating dust. Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Good housekeeping is needed during storage, transfer, handling, and use of this material to avoid excessive dust accumulation. Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames, and other ignition sources. No smoking.

#### 6.1.1. For Non-emergency Personnel

**Protective Equipment:** Use appropriate personal protection equipment (PPE).

**Emergency Procedures:** Evacuate unnecessary personnel.

#### 6.1.2. For Emergency Responders

**Protective Equipment:** Equip cleanup crew with proper protection.

**Emergency Procedures:** Ventilate area. Eliminate ignition sources.

### 6.2. Environmental Precautions

Prevent entry to sewers and public waters.

### 6.3. Methods and Material for Containment and Cleaning Up

**Methods for Cleaning Up:** Collect spillage. Avoid generation of dust during clean-up of spills. Vacuum must be fitted with HEPA filter to prevent release of particulates during clean-up. Practice good housekeeping - spillage can be slippery on smooth surface either wet or dry.

### 6.4. Reference to Other Sections

See Heading 8. Exposure controls and personal protection. For further information refer to section 13.

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## SECTION 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE

### 7.1. Precautions for Safe Handling

**Precautions for Safe Handling:** Take precautionary measures against static discharge.

**Hygiene Measures:** Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety procedures.

### 7.2. Conditions for Safe Storage, Including Any Incompatibilities

**Storage Conditions:** Keep only in the original container in a cool, well ventilated place away from : Direct sunlight., Heat sources.

Keep container closed when not in use. Protect from moisture.

**Incompatible Products:** Strong acids. Strong bases. Strong oxidizers.

### 7.3. Specific End Use(s)

Building Material. Construction and other operations where a high quality, high strength, block for architectural or residential wall construction.

## SECTION 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

### 8.1. Control Parameters

For substances listed in section 3 that are not listed here, there are no established exposure limits from the manufacturer, supplier, importer, or the appropriate advisory agency including: ACGIH (TLV), NIOSH (REL), or OSHA (PEL).

Cement, portland, chemicals (65997-15-1)		
USA ACGIH	ACGIH TWA (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	1 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (particulate matter containing no asbestos and <1% crystalline silica, respirable fraction)
USA ACGIH	ACGIH chemical category	Not Classifiable as a Human Carcinogen
USA NIOSH	NIOSH REL (TWA) (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	10 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (total dust) 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (respirable dust)
USA IDLH	US IDLH (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	5000 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
USA OSHA	OSHA PEL (TWA) (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	15 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (total dust) 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (respirable fraction)
Quartz (14808-60-7)		
USA ACGIH	ACGIH TWA (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	0.025 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (respirable fraction)
USA ACGIH	ACGIH chemical category	A2 - Suspected Human Carcinogen
USA NIOSH	NIOSH REL (TWA) (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	0.05 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (respirable dust)
USA IDLH	US IDLH (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	50 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (respirable dust)
USA OSHA	OSHA PEL (STEL) (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	250 mppcf/%SiO <sub>2</sub> +5, 10mg/m <sup>3</sup> /%SiO <sub>2</sub> +2
Carbonic acid, calcium salt (1:1) (471-34-1)		
USA NIOSH	NIOSH REL (TWA) (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	10 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (total dust) 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (respirable dust)
Chromium (7440-47-3)		
USA ACGIH	ACGIH TWA (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	0.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
USA ACGIH	ACGIH chemical category	Not Classifiable as a Human Carcinogen
USA NIOSH	NIOSH REL (TWA) (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	0.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
USA IDLH	US IDLH (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	250 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
USA OSHA	OSHA PEL (TWA) (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	0.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

### 8.2. Exposure Controls

<b>Appropriate Engineering Controls</b>	: Provide adequate ventilation to minimize dust concentrations. Ensure all national/local regulations are observed. Proper grounding procedures to avoid static electricity should be followed. Use explosion-proof equipment.
<b>Personal Protective Equipment</b>	: Dust formation: dust mask. Gloves. Protective goggles. Dustproof clothing.
<b>Materials for Protective Clothing</b>	: Chemically resistant materials and fabrics.
<b>Hand Protection</b>	: Wear protective gloves.
<b>Eye Protection</b>	: Chemical goggles or safety glasses.
<b>Skin and Body Protection</b>	: Wear suitable protective clothing.
<b>Respiratory Protection</b>	: Approved dust mask is required for some finishing operations such as sawing or sanding where dust is created.
<b>Environmental Exposure Controls</b>	: Do not allow the product to be released into the environment.
<b>Consumer Exposure Controls</b>	: Do not eat, drink or smoke during use.

## SECTION 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### 9.1. Information on Basic Physical and Chemical Properties

**Physical State** : Solid

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<b>Appearance</b>	: Shaped solid. Blocks come in a wide range of body and surface colors.
<b>Odor</b>	: Odorless
<b>Odor Threshold</b>	: No data available
<b>pH</b>	: No data available
<b>Evaporation Rate</b>	: No data available
<b>Melting Point</b>	: No data available
<b>Freezing Point</b>	: No data available
<b>Boiling Point</b>	: No data available
<b>Flash Point</b>	: No data available
<b>Auto-ignition Temperature</b>	: No data available
<b>Decomposition Temperature</b>	: No data available
<b>Flammability (solid, gas)</b>	: No data available
<b>Vapor Pressure</b>	: No data available
<b>Relative Vapor Density at 20 °C</b>	: No data available
<b>Relative Density</b>	: No data available
<b>Specific Gravity</b>	: 2.6
<b>Solubility</b>	: Water: Negligible
<b>Partition Coefficient: N-Octanol/Water</b>	: No data available
<b>Viscosity</b>	: No data available

**9.2. Other Information** No additional information available

## SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

- 10.1. Reactivity:** Stable at ambient temperature and under normal conditions of use.
- 10.2. Chemical Stability:** Stable under normal conditions.
- 10.3. Possibility of Hazardous Reactions:** Hazardous polymerization will not occur.
- 10.4. Conditions to Avoid:** Direct sunlight. Extremely high or low temperatures. Protect from moisture. Use good housekeeping practices during storage, transfer, handling, to avoid excessive dust accumulation.
- 10.5. Incompatible Materials:** Strong acids. Strong bases. Strong oxidizers.
- 10.6. Hazardous Decomposition Products:** Under conditions of fire this material may produce: Carbon oxides (CO, CO<sub>2</sub>).

## SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 11.1. Information On Toxicological Effects

**Acute Toxicity:** Not classified

<b>Quartz (14808-60-7)</b>	
LD50 Oral Rat	> 5000 mg/kg
LD50 Dermal Rat	> 5000 mg/kg
<b>Carbonic acid, calcium salt (1:1) (471-34-1)</b>	
LD50 Oral Rat	6450 mg/kg
ATE (Oral)	6,450.00 mg/kg body weight
<b>Ashes, residues (68131-74-8)</b>	
LD50 Oral Rat	> 2000 mg/kg
<b>Chromium (7440-47-3)</b>	
LD50 Oral Rat	> 5000 mg/kg

**Skin Corrosion/Irritation:** Causes skin irritation.

**Serious Eye Damage/Irritation:** Causes serious eye damage.

**Respiratory or Skin Sensitization:** May cause an allergic skin reaction.

**Germ Cell Mutagenicity:** Not classified

**Carcinogenicity:** May cause cancer.

<b>Quartz (14808-60-7)</b>	
IARC group	1
National Toxicology Program (NTP) Status	Known Human Carcinogens.
OSHA Hazard Communication Carcinogen List	In OSHA Hazard Communication Carcinogen list.

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<b>Chromium (7440-47-3)</b>	
<b>IARC group</b>	3

**Reproductive Toxicity:** Not classified

**Specific Target Organ Toxicity (Single Exposure):** May cause respiratory irritation.

**Specific Target Organ Toxicity (Repeated Exposure):** Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

**Aspiration Hazard:** Not classified

**Symptoms/Injuries After Inhalation:** May cause cancer by inhalation.

**Symptoms/Injuries After Skin Contact:** Prolonged contact with large amounts of dust may cause mechanical irritation.

**Symptoms/Injuries After Eye Contact:** Eye contact with large amounts of dust may cause mechanical irritation.

**Symptoms/Injuries After Ingestion:** Ingestion is likely to be harmful or have adverse effects.

**Chronic Symptoms:** Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure. May cause cancer.

## SECTION 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**12.1. Toxicity** No additional information available

**12.2. Persistence and Degradability**

<b>Block</b>	
<b>Persistence and Degradability</b>	Not established.

**12.3. Bioaccumulative Potential**

<b>Block</b>	
<b>Bioaccumulative Potential</b>	Not established.

<b>Carbonic acid, calcium salt (1:1) (471-34-1)</b>	
<b>BCF fish 1</b>	(no bioaccumulation)

**12.4. Mobility in Soil** No additional information available

**12.5. Other Adverse Effects**

**Other Information** : Avoid release to the environment.

## SECTION 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

**13.1. Waste treatment methods**

**Waste Disposal Recommendations:** Dispose of waste material in accordance with all local, regional, national, provincial, territorial and international regulations.

**Ecology – Waste Materials:** Avoid release to the environment.

## SECTION 14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION

**14.1. In Accordance with DOT** Not regulated for transport

**14.2. In Accordance with IMDG** Not regulated for transport

**14.3. In Accordance with IATA** Not regulated for transport

## SECTION 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION

**15.1 US Federal Regulations**

<b>Block</b>	
<b>SARA Section 311/312 Hazard Classes</b>	Delayed (chronic) health hazard

<b>Cement, portland, chemicals (65997-15-1)</b>	
Listed on the United States TSCA (Toxic Substances Control Act) inventory	

<b>SARA Section 311/312 Hazard Classes</b>	Immediate (acute) health hazard
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<b>Quartz (14808-60-7)</b>	
Listed on the United States TSCA (Toxic Substances Control Act) inventory	

<b>SARA Section 311/312 Hazard Classes</b>	Immediate (acute) health hazard Delayed (chronic) health hazard
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<b>Carbonic acid, calcium salt (1:1) (471-34-1)</b>	
Listed on the United States TSCA (Toxic Substances Control Act) inventory	

<b>Ashes, residues (68131-74-8)</b>	
Listed on the United States TSCA (Toxic Substances Control Act) inventory	

<b>SARA Section 311/312 Hazard Classes</b>	Immediate (acute) health hazard
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<b>Chromium (7440-47-3)</b>	
Listed on the United States TSCA (Toxic Substances Control Act) inventory	
Listed on United States SARA Section 313	

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<b>SARA Section 313 - Emission Reporting</b>	1.0 %
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**Iron (7439-89-6)**

Listed on the United States TSCA (Toxic Substances Control Act) inventory

## 15.2 US State Regulations

**Quartz (14808-60-7)**

<b>U.S. - California - Proposition 65 - Carcinogens List</b>	WARNING: This product contains chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer.
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**Cement, portland, chemicals (65997-15-1)**

U.S. - Massachusetts - Right To Know List  
U.S. - New Jersey - Right to Know Hazardous Substance List  
U.S. - Pennsylvania - RTK (Right to Know) List

**Quartz (14808-60-7)**

U.S. - Massachusetts - Right To Know List  
U.S. - New Jersey - Right to Know Hazardous Substance List  
U.S. - Pennsylvania - RTK (Right to Know) List

**Chromium (7440-47-3)**

U.S. - Massachusetts - Right To Know List  
U.S. - New Jersey - Right to Know Hazardous Substance List  
U.S. - Pennsylvania - RTK (Right to Know) - Environmental Hazard List  
U.S. - Pennsylvania - RTK (Right to Know) - Special Hazardous Substances  
U.S. - Pennsylvania - RTK (Right to Know) List

## SECTION 16: OTHER INFORMATION, INCLUDING DATE OF PREPARATION OR LAST REVISION

<b>Revision Date</b>	: 06/03/2015
<b>Other Information</b>	: This document has been prepared in accordance with the SDS requirements of the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard 29 CFR 1910.1200.

### GHS Full Text Phrases:

Carc. 1A	Carcinogenicity Category 1A
Comb. Dust	Combustible Dust
Eye Dam. 1	Serious eye damage/eye irritation Category 1
Eye Irrit. 2B	Serious eye damage/eye irritation Category 2B
Skin Irrit. 2	Skin corrosion/irritation Category 2
Skin Sens. 1	Skin sensitization Category 1
STOT RE 1	Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure) Category 1
STOT SE 3	Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure) Category 3
H232	May form combustible dust concentrations in air
H315	Causes skin irritation
H317	May cause an allergic skin reaction
H318	Causes serious eye damage
H320	Causes eye irritation
H335	May cause respiratory irritation
H350	May cause cancer
H372	Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure

*This information is based on our current knowledge and is intended to describe the product for the purposes of health, safety and environmental requirements only. It should not therefore be construed as guaranteeing any specific property of the product.*

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