




Material Safety Data Sheet

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Section I. Chemical Product and Company Identification			
Product Name/ Trade Name	VEEGUM® CER	Code	71406
Supplier	R. T. VANDERBILT COMPANY, INC. 30 WINFIELD STREET NORWALK, CT 06855	CAS#	Mixture
		In case of Emergency	(203) 853-1400
Synonym	Hydrated magnesium aluminum silicate mineral	Protective Clothing 	
Chemical Name	Hectorite clay,cmc		
Chemical Family	Not available.		
Manufacturer	R. T. Vanderbilt Company, Inc. 30 Winfield Street Norwalk, CT 06855	Material Uses	Industrial.

Section II. Composition and Information on Ingredients			
Name	CAS #	% by Weight	TLV/PEL
1) hectorite clay	12173-47-6	72	TWA: 15 mg/m ³ total dust 5 mg/m ³ respirable dust (OSHA) As particles not otherwise regulated (PNOR).
2) sodium carboxymethylcellulose	9004-32-4	28	
Total Product			

Section III. Hazards Identification	
Emergency Overview	Not an acute hazard. May cause mechanical eye or skin irritation in high concentrations. As with all mineral spills, minimize dusting during clean-up. Do not breathe dust. Prolonged inhalation may cause lung injury. Product can become slippery when wet.
Target Organs	Pulmonary System (chronic risk).

Section IV. First Aid Measures	
Eye Contact	Flush with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes, occasionally lifting the upper and lower eyelids.
Skin Contact	Wash off with water.
Inhalation	Allow the victim to rest in a well ventilated area.
Ingestion	Unlikely to be toxic by ingestion.

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Section V. Fire and Explosion Data

Flammability of the Product	Non-flammable.
Auto-Ignition Temperature	Not applicable.
Flash Points	Not applicable.
Flammable Limits	Not applicable.
Products of Combustion	Not available.
Fire Hazards in Presence of Various Substances	Not considered to be flammable according to our data base.
Explosion Hazards in Presence of Various Substances	None.
Fire Fighting Media and Instructions	Product will not burn, use appropriate extinguishing media for surrounding fires.
Special Remarks on Fire Hazards	Not available.
Special Remarks on Explosion Hazards	Not available.

Section VI. Accidental Release Measures

Small Spill	Use a vacuum to clean up spillage. If appropriate, use gentle water spray to wet down and minimize dust generation. Place in a sealed container. Material will become slippery when wet.
Large Spill	Use a shovel to put the material into a convenient waste disposal container. Finish cleaning by spreading water on the contaminated surface and dispose of according to local and regional authority requirements. Avoid excessive dust generation. Use respiratory protection in high dust condition.

Section VII. Handling and Storage

Handling and Storage Procedures	Avoid generating dust. Use respiratory protection in the absence of adequate engineering controls. Keep containers closed when not in use. Clean up spills promptly (see spill procedure).
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Section VIII. Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

Engineering Controls	Use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to keep airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If user operations generate dust, use ventilation to keep exposure to airborne contaminants below the exposure limit. If local exhaust ventilation is used, a capture velocity of 150-200 fpm is recommended.
Personal Protection	Splash goggles. Dust respirator. Be sure to use a MSHA/NIOSH approved respirator or equivalent. No special skin protection should be required. However, if irritation is experienced, use gloves and/or other skin covering.

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Section IX. Physical and Chemical Properties

Appearance	White flakes
Molecular Weight	Not available.
pH (1% soln/water)	Not available.
Melting/ Sublimation Point	Not available.
Specific Gravity	2.6 (Water = 1)
Volatility	Non-volatile.
Odor	None.
Solubility	Insoluble in cold water.

Section X. Stability and Reactivity Data

Stability	The product is stable.
Instability Temperature	Not applicable.
Conditions of Instability	Not available.
Incompatibility with Various Substances	No incompatible product according to our data base.
Corrosivity	Not available.

Section XI. Toxicological Information

Routes of Entry	Ingestion. Inhalation.
Acute Effects	
Eye contact	Mildly irritating to the eyes (mechanical).
Skin contact	Possible mechanical skin irritant (moderate).
Sensitization	Not a sensitizer.
Ingestion	Not an ingestion hazard.
Inhalation	Inhalation of high concentrations may cause mechanical irritation and discomfort.
Remark	No additional remark.
Chronic Effects	CARCINOGENIC EFFECTS: Not available. MUTAGENIC EFFECTS: Not available. TERATOGENIC EFFECTS: Not available. DEVELOPMENTAL TOXICITY: Not available.

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Remarks	Excessive exposure to any dust may aggravate pre-existing respiratory conditions.
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Section XII. Ecological Information

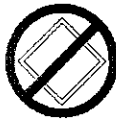
Ecotoxicity	None known.
BOD5 and COD	Not available.
Products of Biodegradation	None known.
Toxicity of the Products of Biodegradation	None known.
Special Remarks on the Products of Biodegradation	Not available.

Section XIII. Disposal Considerations

Waste Information	Not a RCRA hazardous waste. Dispose of in accordance to state or local regulations.
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Section XIV. Transport Information

DOT	Not a DOT controlled material (United States).
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Not applicable.

Maritime Transportation	Not available.
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Section XV. Other Regulatory Information and Pictograms

TSCA	Listed.
Other Regulations	Not available.
Other Classifications	Federal and State Regulations TSCA 8(b) inventory: VEEGUM® CER

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Hazardous Material
Information System
(U.S.A.)

Health Hazard	* 0
Fire Hazard	0
Reactivity	0
Personal Protection	E

* Chronic Potential

National Fire Protection
Association (U.S.A.)

Health



Flammability

Reactivity

Specific hazard

Protective Clothing
(Pictograms)



Section XVI. Other Information

References Not available.

Other Special
Considerations Not available.

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