



## SOVEREIGN WHITE TILE GROUT

### 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE/PREPARATION & OF THE COMPANY UNDERTAKING

- A Product Name **Sovereign White Tile Grout**
- B Supplier Sovereign Chemicals Limited  
Park Road  
Barrow-in-Furness  
Cumbria. LA14 4QU
- C Emergency Tel. No. 01229 870800 - Office hours  
01785 272650 – Out of hours
- D Appearance White, Grey or Sandstone Powders
- E Odour None

### 2. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Key to proportions High 61-100%, Med 11-60%, Low 1-10%, Very Low <1%  
Key to identification: **A** = Chip Index No. **B** = EC No. **C** = CAS No.

Component	Classification R-Phrases	Proportions	Exposure Levels (8hr TWA)	Identification
PORTLAND CEMENT	Irritant R36/37/38	MED	10 mg/m <sup>2</sup>	65997-15-1(C)

Products are blends of Portland cement, lime, binders and inorganic fillers.

### 3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Irritant (Dust hazard). Irritating to eyes/skin and respiratory tract. Inhalation of respirable dust over a prolonged period of time could constitute a health hazard. When mixed with water the product is alkaline and abrasive, which could lead to burns or ulceration if in contact with eyes or skin.

Contains chromium (VI). May produce an allergic reaction.

### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

- EYES: Rinse with water until clean and seek immediate medical attention.
- SKIN: Wash thoroughly with water and again with soap and water before material dries. If irritation persists seek medical attention. Remove and wash any clothing contaminated with powder.
- INGESTION: Give water or milk to drink. Do not induce vomiting. Where large quantities are involved seek medical attention.
- INHALATION: (Dust). Discomfort relieved by breathing fresh air. In case of inflammation of mucosal membrane seek medical attention.

Medical Practitioners may obtain further information from the National Poisons Information Centre.

### 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Product does not represent a fire hazard. All types of extinguisher applicable. Use extinguisher appropriate to the surrounding conditions.

**6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

Sweep up powder for re-use or disposal as appropriate. Avoid dry sweeping which will create dust. Use vacuum or utilise water spray to dampen down. Mixed materials should be allowed to dry before disposal.

**7. HANDLING AND STORAGE**

USAGE PRECAUTIONS: Keep out of reach of children. Use correct lifting techniques on heavier bags.

STORAGE PRECAUTIONS: Shelf life is a maximum of 12 months in sealed original packaging. Observe good stock rotation procedures.

STORAGE CRITERIA: Store off the ground in a cool dry place, in the temperature range of 5°C-30°C.

**8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION**

EYES: Wear risk of splashing occurs, particularly from wet product, wear goggles conforming to BSEN 166 to avoid any possibility of eye contact.



HANDS, FACE, BODY: Wear CE approved nitrile protective gloves and overalls when handling to avoid skin contact. When grouting – do not use fingers as grouting tool.



RESPIRATORY: Provide adequate ventilation, especially when mixing and wear dust mask. Following the guidelines of EH40 exposure to dust should be adequately controlled and kept below both 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup> 8 hour TWA total inhalable dust and 5 mg/m<sup>3</sup> 8 hour TWA total respirable dust.



Such (or greater) dust concentrations should be taken as the substantial concentrations to which Regulation 2 of the C.O.S.H.H. Regulation refers.

Total inhalable dust - the fraction of airborne material which enters the nose and throat. Respirable dust - the fraction of airborne material which enters the gas exchange region of the lung. If ventilation is not adequate, wear respiratory protection. conforming to EN 140 with A1 filters.

Engineering Controls of operator exposure may replace personal protective equipment if a C.O.S.H.H. Assessment shows a higher standard of protection.

Wash at the end of each work shift and before eating, smoking and using the toilet. Wash promptly if skin becomes contaminated. Promptly remove any clothing that becomes wet.

**9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

APPEARANCE: Powder  
pH (OF AQUEOUS DISPERSION) 10-14  
MELTING POINT: >1500°C

COLOUR: White, Grey or Sandstone  
SPECIFIC GRAVITY: 1.4-1.8

**10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

STABILITY: Reacts with water to produce alkaline paste which hardens.  
 CONDITIONS TO AVOID: Avoid wet and damp conditions. Avoid strong acids and alkalis.

**11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

SKIN Frequent or prolonged contact may cause irritation or dermatitis.  
 EYES May cause irritation, redness and watering. Wet product is alkaline. Dry product is abrasive.  
 INGESTION Small quantities ingested unlikely to cause more than temporary discomfort.  
 INHALATION Powders can cause inflammation of mucous membranes. Prolonged and repeated exposure in excess of OES may cause rhinitis and coughing.

**12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Do not contaminate drains, sewers or waterways with this product. May prove harmful to aquatic life due to the release of alkalis.

**13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Dispose in accordance with Local Authority Regulations (landfill). Use only licensed waste hauliers and disposal contractors. Any unused mixed material should be allowed to cure before disposal.

**14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

Not regulated.

**15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

**IRRITANT**

Contains chromium (VI). May produce an allergic reaction.

**RISK** R36/37/3 Irritating to eyes, skin and respiratory system.  
**PHRASES:** 8 R41 Risk of serious damage to eyes.

**SAFETY** S2 Keep out of reach of children.  
**PHRASES:** S22 Do not breathe dust.  
 S24/25 Avoid contact with eyes/skin.  
 S26 After contact with skin wash with soap and water.  
 S28 In case of contact with eyes rinse immediately with copious amounts of water and seek medical attention.

**16. OTHER INFORMATION**

EH40 Occupational Exposure Limits.  
 Control Of Substances Hazardous To Health Regulations.  
 HS(G)97 A Step by Step Guide to C.O.S.H.H. Assessment.  
 Approved Carriage and Supply Lists.  
 The Chemicals (Hazards, Identification, Packaging) Regulations

This product should be stored, handled and used in accordance with good hygiene practices and in conformity with any legal regulations. The information contained herein is based on the present state of our knowledge and is intended to describe our products from the point of view of safety requirements. It should not be construed therefore as guaranteeing specific properties.