

**LAPONITE-RD**

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**SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION**

Product name : LAPONITE-RD

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Visit our web site : [www.byk.com](http://www.byk.com)E-mail address : [BRIEF.BYK.NAFTA@altana.com](mailto:BRIEF.BYK.NAFTA@altana.com)Emergency telephone : 203-265-2086; CHEMTREC 1-800-424-9300 / +1  
703-527-3887**Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use**

Recommended use : Rheology Additive

Restrictions on use : Refer to Section 15 for any restrictions that may apply

**SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION****GHS Classification**

Not a hazardous substance or mixture.

**GHS label elements**

Not a hazardous substance or mixture.

**Other hazards**

Material can be slippery when wet.

**SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

Substance / Mixture : Substance

Chemical nature : Synthetic (modified) phyllosilicate

**Hazardous ingredients**

No hazardous ingredients

**SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES**

General advice : Do not leave the victim unattended.

If inhaled : If breathed in, move person into fresh air.  
If unconscious, place in recovery position and seek medical advice.

If symptoms persist, call a physician.

In case of skin contact : Remove contaminated clothing. Wash thoroughly with soap and water.

In case of eye contact : Flush eyes with water as a precaution.  
Remove contact lenses.

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If swallowed	: Protect unharmed eye. If eye irritation persists, consult a specialist. : Keep respiratory tract clear. Do not give milk or alcoholic beverages. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. If symptoms persist, call a physician.
Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed	: No symptoms known or expected. Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin.
Notes to physician	: Treat symptomatically.

### SECTION 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

Suitable extinguishing media	: Alcohol-resistant foam Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ) Dry chemical
Unsuitable extinguishing media	: No information available.
Specific hazards during fire fighting	: Handle as an industrial chemical. Will not explode on mechanical impact. Do not allow run-off from fire fighting to enter drains or water courses.
Hazardous combustion products	: No hazardous combustion products are known
Further information	: Standard procedure for chemical fires. Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.
Special protective equipment for fire-fighters	: Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for firefighting if necessary.

### SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures	: Use personal protective equipment. Avoid breathing dust.  : Avoid dust formation.  : Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Material can create slippery conditions. Only qualified personnel equipped with suitable protective equipment may intervene.
Environmental precautions	: Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Try to prevent the material from entering drains or water courses. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained.

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Prevent spilled material from entering the ground, water and/or air by using appropriate containment methods.

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up : Contain spillage, and then collect with an electrically protected vacuum cleaner or by wet-brushing and place in container for disposal according to local regulations (see section 13).

### SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Advice on safe handling : For personal protection see section 8. Smoking, eating and drinking should be prohibited in the application area.

Conditions for safe storage : Avoid dust formation. Keep container tightly closed. Electrical installations / working materials must comply with the technological safety standards.

Materials to avoid : No materials to be especially mentioned.

### SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

#### Ingredients with workplace control parameters

Contains no substances with occupational exposure limit values.

#### Further occupational exposure limits

Description	Value type	Control parameters	Basis
inert or nuisance dust	TWA	50Million particles per cubic foot total dust	OSHA Z-3
	TWA	15 mg/m3 total dust	OSHA Z-3
	TWA	5 mg/m3 respirable fraction	OSHA Z-3
	TWA	15Million particles per cubic foot respirable fraction	OSHA Z-3

**Engineering measures** : Use with local exhaust ventilation.

#### Personal protective equipment

Respiratory protection : If handling heated or misted product in a poorly ventilated area, wear a properly fitted respirator (NIOSH) during exposure.

Hand protection

Material : Impervious gloves

Remarks : The suitability for a specific workplace should be discussed with the producers of the protective gloves.

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Eye protection	: Safety glasses If the work environment or activity involves dusty conditions, mists or aerosols, wear the appropriate goggles.
Skin and body protection	: Work uniform or laboratory coat. Protective suit
Hygiene measures	: General industrial hygiene practice.

**SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

Appearance	: powder
Color	: white
Odor	: odorless
Odor Threshold	: No data available
pH	: 9.8, Concentration: 20 g/l(as a dispersion)
Melting point/ range	: Not applicable
Boiling point/boiling range	: Not applicable
Vapor pressure	: < 0.0001 hPa Method: estimated
Flash point	: Not applicable
Upper explosion limit	: Not applicable
Lower explosion limit	: Not applicable
Evaporation rate	: Not applicable
Flammability (solid, gas)	: Not expected to form explosive dust-air mixtures.
Relative vapor density	: Not applicable
Density	: 2.53 g/cm <sup>3</sup> (68 °F (20 °C))
Bulk density	: 1,000 kg/m <sup>3</sup>
Solubility(ies)	
Water solubility	: slightly soluble
Solubility in other solvents	: No data available
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	: Not applicable
Ignition temperature	: Not applicable
Thermal decomposition	: > 932 °F (> 500 °C)

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Viscosity  
Viscosity, dynamic : Not applicable

**SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

Reactivity : Not classified as a reactivity hazard.  
Chemical stability : Stable; polymerization will not occur  
Stable under normal conditions.  
Possibility of hazardous reactions : No data available  
Conditions to avoid : Exposure to air or moisture over prolonged periods.  
Incompatible materials : Strong acids and oxidizing agents  
Hazardous decomposition products : No decomposition if stored and applied as directed.  
No hazardous decomposition products are known.

**SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION****Information on likely routes of exposure****Acute toxicity****Product:**

Acute oral toxicity : LD0 (Rat, female): > 2,000 mg/kg  
Method: OECD Test Guideline 420  
GLP: yes

Acute inhalation toxicity : LC50 (Rat, male and female): > 200 mg/l  
Exposure time: 60 min  
Test atmosphere: dust/mist  
GLP: yes

Acute dermal toxicity : LD50 (Rabbit, male and female): > 5,000 mg/kg  
Method: estimated  
GLP: yes

**Skin corrosion/irritation****Product:**

Species: Rabbit  
Method: Draize Test  
Result: No skin irritation  
GLP: yes

Species: Rabbit  
Result: No skin irritation  
GLP: no

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**Serious eye damage/eye irritation****Product:**

Species: Bovine corneal opacity and permeability assay (BCOP)

Result: No eye irritation

Method: OECD Test Guideline 437

GLP: yes

Species: Rabbit

Result: No eye irritation

GLP: no

**Respiratory or skin sensitization****Product:**

Test Type: Mouse Local Lymph Node assay (LLNA)

Routes of exposure: Dermal

Species: Mouse

Method: OECD Test Guideline 429

Result: Does not cause skin sensitization.

GLP: yes

**Germ cell mutagenicity****Product:**

- Genotoxicity in vitro
- : Test Type: Ames test  
Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation  
Method: OECD Test Guideline 471  
Result: negative  
GLP: yes
  - : Test Type: Chromosome aberration test in vitro  
Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation  
Method: OECD Test Guideline 473  
Result: negative  
GLP: yes
  - : Test Type: In vitro mammalian cell gene mutation test (mouse lymphoma)  
  
Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation  
Method: OECD Test Guideline 476  
Result: negative  
GLP: yes
- Genotoxicity in vivo
- : Remarks: No data available

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Germ cell mutagenicity-  
Assessment : In vitro tests did not show mutagenic effects

**Carcinogenicity****Product:**

Remarks: No data available

**IARC**

No ingredient of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.

**OSHA**

No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is on OSHA's list of regulated carcinogens.

**NTP**

No ingredient of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP.

**Reproductive toxicity****Product:**

Effects on fertility : Remarks: No data available

Effects on fetal development : Remarks: No data available

**STOT-single exposure****Product:**

Assessment: The substance or mixture is not classified as specific target organ toxicant, single exposure.

**STOT-repeated exposure****Product:**

Assessment: The substance or mixture is not classified as specific target organ toxicant, repeated exposure.

**Repeated dose toxicity****Product:**

Species: Rat, male and female

NOAEL: 50 mg/kg

LOAEL: 500 mg/kg

Application Route: Oral

GLP: no

Target Organs: Gastro-intestinal system

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**Aspiration toxicity****Product:**

No data available

**Experience with human exposure****Product:**

Inhalation:

Symptoms: Dust particles may cause irritation of the respiratory tract.

Skin contact:

Symptoms: Contact may cause irritation.

Eye contact:

Symptoms: Contact may cause irritation.

Ingestion:

Symptoms: Ingestion will probably cause irritation of the digestive tract.

**Further information****Product:**

Remarks: No data available

**SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION****Ecotoxicity****Product:**

Toxicity to fish : LC50 (Oncorhynchus mykiss (rainbow trout)): > 100 mg/l  
Exposure time: 96 h  
Method: OECD Test Guideline 203  
GLP: yes

Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates : EC50 (Daphnia magna (Water flea)): > 100 mg/l  
Exposure time: 48 h  
Method: OECD Test Guideline 202  
GLP: yes

Toxicity to algae : ErC50 (Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata (green algae)): > 100 mg/l  
Exposure time: 72 h  
Method: OECD Test Guideline 201  
GLP: yes

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Toxicity to bacteria : EC50 (activated sludge): > 1,000 mg/l  
Method: OECD Test Guideline 209  
GLP: yes

**Persistence and degradability****Product:**

Biodegradability : Remarks: The methods for determining biodegradability are not applicable to inorganic substances.

**Bioaccumulative potential****Product:**

Bioaccumulation : Remarks: No bioaccumulation is to be expected.

**Mobility in soil****Product:**

Mobility : Remarks: Not applicable

**Other adverse effects**

No data available

**Product:**

Regulation 40 CFR Protection of Environment; Part 82 Protection of Stratospheric Ozone - CAA Section 602 Class I Substances

Remarks This product neither contains, nor was manufactured with a Class I or Class II ODS as defined by the U.S. Clean Air Act Section 602 (40 CFR 82, Subpt. A, App.A + B).

Additional ecological information : No data available

**SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS****Disposal methods**

EPA Hazardous Waste Code(s) : Not applicable.

Contaminated packaging : Empty containers should be taken to an approved waste handling site for recycling or disposal.

**SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION****International Regulations****IATA-DGR**

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Not regulated as a dangerous good

**IMDG-Code**

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

Not applicable for product as supplied.

**Domestic regulation****49 CFR**

Not regulated as a dangerous good

**SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION****EPCRA - Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know****US. EPA CERCLA Hazardous Substances (40 CFR 302)**

This material does not contain any components with a CERCLA RQ.

**SARA 304 - Emergency Release Notification**

This material does not contain any components with a section 304 EHS RQ.

**US. EPA Emergency Planning and Community Right-To-Know Act (EPCRA) SARA Title III Section 302 Extremely Hazardous Substance (40 CFR 355, Appendix A)**

This material does not contain any components with a SARA 302 RQ.

**SARA 311/312 Hazards** : Per the June 13, 2016 Federal Register notice, EPA harmonized the EPCRA 311/312 hazard categories with the 2012 OSHA hazard communication standard for classifying and labeling of chemicals (i.e. GHS). Please refer to Section 2 of the SDS to identify the appropriate hazard categories for reporting purposes.

**SARA 302** : No chemicals in this material are subject to the reporting requirements of SARA Title III, Section 302.

**SARA 313** : This material does not contain any chemical components with known CAS numbers that exceed the threshold (De Minimis) reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313.

**Clean Air Act**

This product does not contain any hazardous air pollutants (HAP), as defined by the U.S. Clean Air Act Section 112 (40 CFR 61).

This product does not contain any chemicals listed under the U.S. Clean Air Act Section 112(r) for Accidental Release Prevention (40 CFR 68.130, Subpart F).

Non-volatile (Wt) : No data available

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**Massachusetts Right To Know**

No components are subject to the Massachusetts Right to Know Act.

**Pennsylvania Right To Know**

No components are subject to the Pennsylvania Right to Know Act

**New Jersey Right To Know**

No components are subject to the New Jersey Right to Know Act

**New Jersey Trade Secret Registry Number for the product (NJ TSRN)** : 800963-1102

**California Prop. 65**

This product does not contain any chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth, or any other reproductive defects.

**The ingredients of this product are reported in the following inventories:**

TSCA : All substances listed as active on the TSCA inventory

TSCA Inventory Active List : All components of this product are listed active and/or are exempt

Section 5a : No substances are subject to a Significant New Use Rule.

Section 4 / 12(b) : No substances are subject to TSCA 12(b) export notification requirements.

DSL : We certify that all of the components of this product are listed on the DSL.

**SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION**

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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 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.