

This Safety Data Sheet contains information concerning the potential risks to those involved in handling, transporting and working with the material, as well as describing potential risks to the consumer and the environment. This information must be made available to those who may come into contact with the material or are responsible for the use of the material. This Safety Data Sheet is prepared in accordance with formatting described in the Regulation (EU) No 453/2010, and described in CLP Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 and all subsequent amendments.

Section 1. Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

1.1 Product identifier

Product Name: SPA Frog Mineral Cartridge

Chemical Name: Calcium Carbonate with Silver Chloride

1.2 Relevant identified uses of the substances or mixture and uses advised against

Only for use in the treatment of water used in spas, hot tubs and other venues meant for human bathing.

1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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1.4 Emergency telephone number

Emergency telephone number: Chemtrec: +1-703-527-3887 (Operational 24 hours a day)

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Section 2. Hazards Identification

MIXTURE:

2.1 Classification of the mixture

Classification according to Directive 67/548/EEC: Xi, N, R38, R50

Physicochemical hazards: No known physicochemical hazards.

Human health hazards: May cause burns to the skin and eye.

Environmental Hazards: Very toxic to aquatic organisms.

Please see Section 16 for full text of each classification.

2.2 Label elements

Directive 1999/45/EC:





Dangerous for the environment

Irritant

Risk Phrases:

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S57:	Use appropriate containment to avoid environmental contamination.
S61:	Avoid release to the environment. Refer to special instructions/safety data sheet.

2.3 Other hazards

No additional information

PBT / vPvB:	Not expected to be PBT/vPvB
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Section 3. Composition/Information on ingredients.

Name	CAS Number	EINECS Number	% Composition	Classification according to Directive 67/548/EEC	Classification according to Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008
Limestone granules (calcium carbonate)	471-34-1	207-439-9	>98	Xi, R38	Skin Irrit. 2, H315,
Silver chloride	7783-90-6	232-033-3	>1	Xi, N, R50.	Aquatic Acute 1, H400, Aquatic Chronic 1, H410.

Section 4. First Aid Measures

4.1 Description of first aid measures

Inhalation

Inhalation exposure is unlikely. However, in the event of exposure, seek medical help if required.

Skin contact

Immediately flush the skin immediately with plenty of water. Seek medical attention if irritation persists after washing.

Accidental eye contact

Eye contact is unlikely. In the event of exposure, flush eyes with water thoroughly and continuously for at least 15 minutes. Seek medical help if required.

Ingestion

Ingestion of significant amounts of minerals is unlikely. In the event of exposure, seek medical help if required.

4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Possible skin burn may occur following contact with the skin. In addition to this, respiratory tract irritation and eye irritation may occur following exposure to the product. Where large amounts are ingested, digestive tract irritation with nausea, vomiting and diarrhoea may occur, in addition to cyanosis and argyria, due to accumulation of silver in the body.

4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Please refer to the recommendations provided in Section 4.1.

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Section 5. Firefighting Measures

5.1 Extinguishing media

Use appropriate extinguishing media, including water spray, fog or mist or alcohol resistant foam. Do not use CO₂ or dry chemicals.

5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

There are no unusual fire and explosion hazards with this material. As the cartridge is made of plastic, it is possible that hazardous combustion products may be generated in a fire.

5.3 Advice for fire-fighters

Normal safe practices should be employed, with no known additional protective measures required.

Section 6. Accidental Release Measures

6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

The product ingredients are securely held within the cartridge and should not be released even during use. If the canister opens and mineral spillage occurs, the product may be considered an under foot safety hazard due to reduced traction.

6.2 Environmental precautions

Confine the spill using appropriate methods. Do not empty into drains.

6.3 Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Collect any spilled material and reclaim or dispose of in sealed containers in licensed waste. Avoid contact with water while the product is in storage. If the product is released prior to use, it should be recovered dry prior to the use of water in the final clean up.

6.4 Reference to other sections

Refer to section 8 and/or Section 13 of SDS for personal protection details.

Section 7. Handling and Storage

7.1 Precautions for safe handling

If used according to instructions, no specific conditions or protection are required. Do not attempt to remove the contents of the cartridge. If skin becomes contaminated with contents of cartridge, wash with water. Remove contaminated clothing and wash before re-use.



7.2 Condition for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Cartridges should not be removed from their packaging during storage. Cartridges should be stored in a dry location and should not be stored near acids.

7.3 Specific end use(s)

The product is only for use in spas and hot tubs.

Section 8. Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

8.1 Control parameters

Workers:

Operational Exposure Limits for Limestone granules (calcium carbonate):

10 mg/m³ inhalable aerosol (Eight hour limit value) France

6 mg/m³ (Eight hour limit value) Latvia Poland

10 mg/m³ (Eight hour limit value) 10 mg/m³ inhalable aerosol (Eight hour limit value) Spain 10 mg/m³ inhalable aerosol (Eight hour limit value) United Kingdom 4 mg/m³ respirable aerosol (Eight hour limit value)

The EU IOELV for soluble silver compounds is 0.01 mg/m³ for an 8-hour TWA.

No information available on DNEL's or DMEL's.

8.2 Exposure controls

Appropriate Engineering Controls

Use appropriate engineering controls to reduce air contamination to permissible exposure levels in the event that dust particles may migrate to the grooves and divots of the cartridge moulding during setting of the cartridge to the required setting.

Respiratory protection

All handling operations should take place in well ventilated areas, with the use of specific dust masks if required in non-ventilated areas in the event that dust particles may migrate to the grooves and divots of the cartridge moulding.

Hand protection

Suitable gloves should be worn. Suitable gloves to provide short-term protection from splashes include those made from rubber, neoprene or PVC. Gloves should be discarded and replaced if signs of degradation are observed.

Eye protection

Wear approved safety goggles or face shield.



Skin protection

As the product is non-dusty, operators are not required to use specific skin protection. If the contents get on clothes, remove clothing and launder. No special laundering procedures are required and clothing may be reused after cleaning.

Thermal Hazards

No information provided.

Environmental Exposure Controls

Product should be used according to the instructions only.

Section 9. Physical and Chemical Properties

9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance: White granular solid.

Odour:
pH:
6.7 – 6.8

Melting point/freezing point °C:
Not applicable
Flammability:
Not flammable
Explosivity:
Not explosive
Relative Density:
2.7 – 2.8 g/mL
Bulk density:
1.3 – 1.4 g/mL

Solubility:Not applicable. Sparingly soluble.
Partition Coefficient: n-octanol/water:
Not applicable to inorganic salt.

Oxidising: Not expected to have oxidising properties.

9.2 Other information

Corrosion Expected to be entirely non-corrosive.

characteristics:

Dielectric breakdown: Not required as not a conductive liquid and will not be used around electrical

equipment.

Section 10. Stability and Reactivity

10.1 Reactivity

The product is stable under normal conditions of use.

10.2 Chemical stability

The product is stable under normal conditions.

10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

Under normal conditions of use, there should be no risk of hazardous reactions.

10.4 Conditions to avoid

Under the normal conditions of use for this product, there are no specific conditions that would cause a dangerous reaction.



10.5 Incompatible materials

SPA FROG Mineral Cartridge will react with acid to form carbon dioxide.

10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

The product will react with acid to form carbon dioxide which is an asphyxiation hazard.

Section 11. Toxicological Information

11.1 Information on toxicological effects

The information outlined in the sections below has been taken from the original Safety Data Sheet, with no additional information researched.

Acute Oral Toxicity:

SPA FROG Mineral cartridge is expected be practically non-toxic following ingestion. However, ingestion of large amounts may cause gastrointestinal irritation and blockage.

Acute Inhalation Toxicity:

Dusts from SPA FROG Mineral cartridge may irritate the nose, throat and respiratory tract by mechanical abrasion. Coughing, sneezing and shortness of breath may occur following exposures in excess of appropriate exposure limits.

Skin Corrosion/Irritation:

Direct contact with the skin may cause irritation by mechanical abrasion. However, skin absorption is not expected to be a significant route of exposure.

Serious eye damage/irritation:

Direct contact with dust particles of SPA FROG Mineral Cartridge may cause irritation by mechanical abrasion.

Sensitization:

SPA FROG Mineral cartridge is not considered to be a sensitizer.

Carcinogenicity:

No evidence of carcinogenicity.

Germ cell Mutagenicity:

No evidence of mutagenicity following in vitro and in vivo studies.

Reproductive Toxicity:

No evidence of reproductive toxicity.

Route of exposure:

The expected route of exposure is via the dermal and inhalation routes.

Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics:

Skin, eye and respiratory irritation may occur by mechanical abrasion following exposure to SPA FROG Mineral Cartridge.

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Section 12. Ecological Information

12.1 Toxicity

Acute Toxicity:

As limestone is considered to be a ubiquitous natural mineral, it is considered to be of no ecotoxicological concern.

It is currently considered that because silver is rapidly absorbed by sediments and organic material in aquatic systems that it is not available to the long term environment. It is not therefore classified as R53.

Aquatic toxicity	Exposure time	Species	Evaluation	Remarks
-	-	Fish	LC ₅₀ : 3.9 – 280 μg/L	When tested using silver.
-	-	Fish	LC ₅₀ : 0.51 mg/L LC ₅₀ : >1.93 mg/L LC ₅₀ : 2.1 mg/L LC ₅₀ : 5.6 mg/L	When tested using silver chloride.
-	-	Daphnia magna	EC ₅₀ : 0.25 – 4500 μg/L	When tested using silver.
-	-	Daphnia magna	LC ₅₀ : 0.5 mg/L.	When tested using silver ions.
-	-	Daphnia magna	LC ₅₀ : >1.93 mg/L	When tested using silver chloride.
-	-	Algae	0.0007 mg/L – 0.009 mg/L	When tested using silver ions.

12.2 Persistence and degradability

Due to silver being rapidly absorbed by sediments and organic materials in aquatic systems it is not readily available to the environment.

12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

Not applicable.

12.4 Mobility in soil

No information provided.

12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

Since the substance is regulated under Directive 98/8/EC, there is no PBT and vPvB assessment presented in the same format as per the REACH Regulation

12.6 Other adverse effects

Not applicable.

Section 13. Disposal Considerations

13.1 Waste treatment methods

Disposal operations – To dispose of the cartridge, after four months of use or when draining and refilling the spa with fresh water, discard SPA FROG Mineral Cartridge in the refuse, even if it appears that there is spent media left inside the cartridge. Once wetted, the time released minerals are effective for up to four months.

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Disposal of packaging – Do not reuse empty containers. Do not attempt to open the cartridge or remove contents.

Please follow all local, regional, national and international laws.

Section 14. Transport Information

14.1 UN number

The product is not regulated by international transport regulations for any modes of transport.

14.2 UN proper shipping name

The product is not regulated by international transport regulations for any modes of transport.

14.3 Transport hazard class(es)

The product is not regulated by international transport regulations for any modes of transport.

14.4 Packing group

The product is not regulated by international transport regulations for any modes of transport.

14.5 Environmental hazards

The product is not regulated by international transport regulations for any modes of transport.

14.6 Special precautions for user

The product is not regulated by international transport regulations for any modes of transport.

14.7 Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code

The product is not regulated by international transport regulations for any modes of transport.

Section 15. Regulatory Information

15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture No information provided.

15.2 Chemical safety assessment

Not applicable

15.3 Use Biocides safely

Section 16. Other Information

Other information

This safety data sheet is prepared in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 453/2010.

Note: The regulatory information given above only indicates the principal regulations specifically applicable to the product described in the safety data sheet. The user's attention is drawn to the possible existence of additional provisions which complete these regulations. Refer to all applicable national, international and local regulations or provisions.



Details of change from previous version:

Reformatted to comply with Regulation (EU) No. 453/2010.

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List of definitions:

CAS number: Chemical Abstracts Service Registry number

DNEL's: Derived No Effects Level DMEL's: Derived Minimal Effects Level EEC: European Economic Community EC: European Commission/Community EC₅₀: Half maximal effective concentration.

EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances. LC₅₀: Lethal Concentration at which 50% of the population tested died.

PBT: Persistent Bioaccumulative Toxic

SDS: Safety Data Sheet

vPvB: very Persistent very Bioaccumulative

Classification in accordance with Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008:

Skin Irrit.2, H315, Aquatic Acute 1, H400, Aquatic Chronic 1, H410.

Hazard Statements:

H315: Causes skin irritation. H400: Very toxic to aquatic life

H410: Very toxic to aquatic life with long-lasting effects.

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