

# Safety Data Sheet

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### 1. Identification

#### Product identifier used on the label

## Florco-X®

#### Recommended use of the chemical and restriction on use

Recommended use\*: Absorbent

Suitable for use in industrial sector: chemical industry

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#### Other means of identification

Chemical family: metal oxides, silicates  
Synonyms: Attapulgite Clay

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### 2. Hazards Identification

#### According to Hazardous Products Regulations (HPR) (SOR/2015-17)

#### Classification of the product

No need for classification according to GHS criteria for this product.

#### Label elements

The product does not require a hazard warning label in accordance with GHS criteria.

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### Hazards not otherwise classified

No specific dangers known, if the regulations/notes for storage and handling are considered.

## 3. Composition / Information on Ingredients

### According to Hazardous Products Regulations (HPR) (SOR/2015-17)

<u>CAS Number</u>	<u>Weight %</u>	<u>Chemical name</u>
14808-60-7	>= 0.3 - < 10.0%	crystalline silica

## 4. First-Aid Measures

### Description of first aid measures

#### General advice:

Remove contaminated clothing.

#### If inhaled:

If difficulties occur after dust has been inhaled, remove to fresh air and seek medical attention.

#### If on skin:

Remove contaminated clothing. Wash thoroughly with soap and water. If irritation develops, seek medical attention.

#### If in eyes:

Wash affected eyes for at least 15 minutes under running water with eyelids held open. If irritation develops, seek medical attention.

#### If swallowed:

Rinse mouth and then drink 200-300 ml of water. Do not induce vomiting. Seek medical attention.

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

Symptoms: The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2) and/or in section 11.

### Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

#### Note to physician

Treatment: Treat according to symptoms (decontamination, vital functions), no known specific antidote.

## 5. Fire-Fighting Measures

### Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media:  
dry powder, foam

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Unsuitable extinguishing media for safety reasons:  
carbon dioxide

### Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Hazards during fire-fighting:

harmful vapours

Evolution of fumes/fog. The substances/groups of substances mentioned can be released in case of fire.

### Advice for fire-fighters

Protective equipment for fire-fighting:

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus and chemical-protective clothing.

### Further information:

Product itself is non-combustible; fire extinguishing method of surrounding areas must be considered. Contaminated extinguishing water must be disposed of in accordance with official regulations.

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## 6. Accidental release measures

### Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Avoid dust formation. Use personal protective clothing.

### Environmental precautions

Contain contaminated water/firefighting water. Do not discharge into drains/surface waters/groundwater.

### Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

For small amounts: Pick up with suitable appliance and dispose of.

For large amounts: Contain with dust binding material and dispose of.

Avoid raising dust.

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## 7. Handling and Storage

### Precautions for safe handling

Breathing must be protected when large quantities are decanted without local exhaust ventilation.

Protection against fire and explosion:

No special precautions necessary.

### Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Further information on storage conditions: Keep container tightly closed and dry; store in a cool place.

Storage stability:

Contents are stable at room temperature.

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## 8. Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

### Components with occupational exposure limits

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crystalline silica	OSHA PEL	TWA value 0.1 mg/m <sup>3</sup> Respirable dust ; TWA value 2.4 millions of particles per cubic foot of air Respirable ; The exposure limit is calculated from the equation, $250/(\%SiO_2+5)$ , using a value of 100% SiO <sub>2</sub> . Lower percentages of SiO <sub>2</sub> will yield higher exposure limits. TWA value 0.1 mg/m <sup>3</sup> Respirable ; The exposure limit is calculated from the equation, $10mg/m^3/(\%SiO_2+2)$ , using a value of 100% SiO <sub>2</sub> . Lower percentages of SiO <sub>2</sub> will yield higher exposure limits. PEL 0.05 mg/m <sup>3</sup> Respirable dust ; TWA value 0.05 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (Respirable dust); OSHA Action level 0.025 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (Respirable dust);
	ACGIH TLV	TWA value 0.025 mg/m <sup>3</sup> Respirable fraction ;

### Advice on system design:

Provide local exhaust ventilation to control dust.

### Personal protective equipment

#### Respiratory protection:

When workers face exposure to dust exceeding the occupational exposure limits they must use appropriate certified respirators. Wear a NIOSH-certified (or equivalent) particulate respirator.

#### Hand protection:

Chemical resistant protective gloves

#### Eye protection:

Safety glasses with side-shields. Wear face shield if splashing hazard exists.

#### Body protection:

Standard work clothes and shoes.

Body protection must be chosen depending on activity and possible exposure, e.g. head protection, apron, protective boots, chemical-protection suit.

#### General safety and hygiene measures:

Eye wash fountains and safety showers must be easily accessible. Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

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## 9. Physical and Chemical Properties

Form:	powder
Odour:	odourless
Odour threshold:	not determined
Colour:	tan
pH value:	approx. 8 - 9.5 (as aqueous suspension)
Melting point:	> 1,000 °C
Boiling point:	not determined
Flash point:	Non-flammable.
Flammability:	not determined
Lower explosion limit:	Study does not need to be conducted.
Upper explosion limit:	Study does not need to be conducted.

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Autoignition:	Study does not need to be conducted.
Vapour pressure:	not applicable
Density:	approx. 1.8 - 2 g/cm <sup>3</sup> ( 20 °C)
Relative density:	1
Bulk density:	304 - 737 kg/m <sup>3</sup>
Vapour density:	The product is a non-volatile solid.
Partitioning coefficient n-octanol/water (log Pow):	not applicable
Self-ignition temperature:	not self-igniting
Thermal decomposition:	not determined
Viscosity, dynamic:	Study does not need to be conducted.
Particle size:	No data available.
Solubility in water:	( 20 °C) insoluble
Miscibility with water:	( 20 °C) not soluble
Solubility (quantitative):	( 20 °C) insoluble
Evaporation rate:	The product is a non-volatile solid.

## 10. Stability and Reactivity

### Reactivity

No hazardous reactions if stored and handled as prescribed/indicated.

Corrosion to metals:  
Corrosive effects to metal are not anticipated.

Oxidizing properties:  
not fire-propagating

### Chemical stability

The product is stable if stored and handled as prescribed/indicated.

### Possibility of hazardous reactions

No hazardous reactions when stored and handled according to instructions.  
The product is chemically stable.

### Conditions to avoid

Caution: Calcined Attapulgite products are sold at 1%-9% free surface moisture depending on the grade. In contact with turpentine, vegetable oil and other unsaturated organic compounds, heat may be generated when the Attapulgite is at uncommonly low free moisture levels.  
Avoid dust formation. Avoid deposition of dust. See MSDS section 7 - Handling and storage.

### Incompatible materials

vegetable oils, unsaturated organic compounds

### Hazardous decomposition products

Decomposition products:  
Hazardous decomposition products: No hazardous decomposition products if stored and handled as prescribed/indicated.

Thermal decomposition:  
not determined

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### 11. Toxicological information

#### Primary routes of exposure

Routes of entry for solids and liquids are ingestion and inhalation, but may include eye or skin contact. Routes of entry for gases include inhalation and eye contact. Skin contact may be a route of entry for liquefied gases.

#### Acute Toxicity/Effects

##### Acute toxicity

Assessment of acute toxicity: Virtually nontoxic after a single ingestion. The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from the properties of the individual components.

##### Oral

Type of value: LD50  
not determined

##### Inhalation

Type of value: LC50  
not determined

##### Dermal

Type of value: LD50  
not determined

##### Assessment other acute effects

Assessment of STOT single:

Based on the available information there is no specific target organ toxicity to be expected after a single exposure.

The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from the properties of the individual components.

##### Irritation / corrosion

Assessment of irritating effects: No irritation is expected under intended use and appropriate handling. Contact with the eyes or skin may cause mechanical irritation.

##### Skin

Species: rabbit

Result: non-irritant

The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from the properties of the individual components.

##### Eye

Species: rabbit

Result: non-irritant

The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from the properties of the individual components.

##### Sensitization

Assessment of sensitization: No sensitizing effect.

No data available.

##### Aspiration Hazard

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No aspiration hazard expected.

### Chronic Toxicity/Effects

#### Repeated dose toxicity

Assessment of repeated dose toxicity: NIOSH has studied the exposure effects of Attapulgite, which contains crystalline silica, on pulmonary function and has determined that there is no evidence of significant respiratory morbidity.

#### Genetic toxicity

Assessment of mutagenicity: Based on the ingredients, there is no suspicion of a mutagenic effect.

#### Carcinogenicity

Assessment of carcinogenicity: When given in high doses, the substance was carcinogenic in animal studies. Based on its mechanism of action, a carcinogenic potential is not expected after exposure to low doses. In long-term animal studies in which the substance was given by inhalation in high concentrations, a carcinogenic effect was observed. The whole of the information assessable provides no indication of a carcinogenic effect.

#### *Information on: crystalline silica*

*Assessment of carcinogenicity: In long-term studies in rats and mice in which the substance was given by feed, a carcinogenic effect was not observed. In long-term animal studies in which the substance was given by inhalation in high doses, a carcinogenic effect was observed. The substance and its compounds in the form of respirable dusts/aerosols classified by the German MAK commission as a category 1 carcinogen (substances that cause cancer to humans). A carcinogenic effect cannot safely be ruled out. The inhalation uptake of the alveolar fraction of the fine dust may cause damage to the lungs. The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) has classified this substance as a Group 1 (known) human carcinogen.*

*NTP listed carcinogen*

#### Reproductive toxicity

Assessment of reproduction toxicity: The data available for an assessment of the effect of the substance on reproduction are not sufficient for a proper evaluation.

#### Teratogenicity

Assessment of teratogenicity: The data available for an assessment of the effect of the substance on developmental toxicity are not sufficient for a proper evaluation.

#### Other Information

Based on our experience and the information available, no adverse health effects are expected if handled as recommended with suitable precautions for designated uses. The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from the properties of the individual components.

### Symptoms of Exposure

The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2) and/or in section 11.

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## 12. Ecological Information

### Toxicity

#### Aquatic toxicity

Assessment of aquatic toxicity:

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At the present state of knowledge, no negative ecological effects are expected. The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from the properties of the individual components.

### Toxicity to fish

LC50 (96 h), Fish (other)  
not determined

### Aquatic invertebrates

LC50 (48 h), daphnia (other)  
not determined

### Aquatic plants

EC50 (72 h), algae (other)  
not determined

### Chronic toxicity to fish

No data available.

### Chronic toxicity to aquatic invertebrates

No data available.

## **Microorganisms/Effect on activated sludge**

### Toxicity to microorganisms

other  
bacteria/EC50 (0.5 h):  
not determined

## **Persistence and degradability**

### Assessment biodegradation and elimination (H<sub>2</sub>O)

Inorganic product which cannot be eliminated from water by biological purification processes.

## **Additional information**

Other ecotoxicological advice:

No data available for the preparation. Do not discharge product into the environment without control.

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## **13. Disposal considerations**

### **Waste disposal of substance:**

Dispose of in a licensed facility. Do not discharge into drains/surface waters/groundwater. It is the waste generator's responsibility to determine if a particular waste is hazardous under RCRA.

### **Container disposal:**

Dispose of in a licensed facility. Empty containers or liners may retain product residues. Recommend crushing, puncturing or other means to prevent unauthorized use of used containers.

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## **14. Transport Information**

### **Land transport**

TDG

Not classified as a dangerous good under transport regulations



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### Sea transport IMDG

Not classified as a dangerous good under transport regulations

### Air transport IATA/ICAO

Not classified as a dangerous good under transport regulations

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## 15. Regulatory Information

### Federal Regulations

#### Registration status:

Chemical                      DSL, CA              released / listed

#### NFPA Hazard codes:

Health: 1              Fire: 0              Reactivity: 0              Special:

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## 16. Other Information

### SDS Prepared by:

BASF NA Product Regulations  
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