




SAFETY DATA SHEET

1. Identification

Product identifier	CGC Snowdrift® Lime
Other means of identification	
SDS number	53001010002
Recommended use	Neutralization, flocculation, stabilization, polishing, masonry mortar, plaster, stucco, fresco paints and lime wash.
Recommended restrictions	None known.
Manufacturer/Importer/Supplier/Distributor information	
Company name	CGC Inc.
Address	350 Burnhamthorpe Road West, 5th Floor Mississauga, Ontario L5B 3J1 A Subsidiary of USG Corporation
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Website	www.cgcinc.com
Emergency phone number	CANUTEC (613-996-6666)

2. Hazard(s) identification

Physical hazards	Not classified.	
Health hazards	Skin corrosion/irritation	Category 2
	Serious eye damage/eye irritation	Category 1
	Carcinogenicity	Category 1A
	Specific target organ toxicity following single exposure	Category 3 respiratory tract irritation
	Specific target organ toxicity following repeated exposure (inhalation)	Category 1 (kidneys, Respiratory tract, testes)
Environmental hazards	Not classified.	
Label elements		

Signal word	Danger
Hazard statement	Causes skin irritation. Causes serious eye damage. May cause respiratory irritation. May cause cancer. Causes damage to organs (kidneys, Respiratory tract, testes) through prolonged or repeated exposure by inhalation.
Precautionary statements	
Prevention	Obtain special instructions before use. Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Do not breathe dust. Wash thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.
Response	IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of water. If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention. IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor. Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse. IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention.
Storage	Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed. Store locked up.
Disposal	Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.
Other hazards	None known.
Supplemental information	None.

3. Composition/information on ingredients

Mixtures

Chemical name	CAS number	%
Calcium magnesium dihydroxide oxide	58398-71-3	60 - 100
Calcium magnesium tetrahydroxide	39445-23-3	60 - 100
Calcium hydroxide	1305-62-0	30 - 60
Crystalline silica (quartz)	14808-60-7	0.0001 - 1

Composition comments Crystalline silica has been found in some products at or above detection level 0.1%. Concentration is dependent upon limestone source.

Any concentration shown as a range is to protect confidentiality or is due to batch variation.

There are no additional ingredients present which, within the current knowledge of the supplier and in the concentrations applicable, are classified as hazardous to health or the environment and hence require reporting in this section.

Occupational exposure limits, if available, are listed in Section 8.

4. First-aid measures

Inhalation Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. If not breathing, if breathing is irregular or if respiratory arrest occurs, provide artificial respiration or oxygen by trained personnel. It may be dangerous to the person providing aid to give mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. Get medical attention. If necessary, call a poison center or physician. If unconscious, place in recovery position and get medical attention immediately. Maintain an open airway. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband.

Skin contact Get medical attention immediately. Call a poison control center or physician. Flush contaminated skin with plenty of water. Wash contaminated clothing thoroughly with water before removing it, or wear gloves. Continue to rinse for at least 20 minutes. Chemical burns must be treated promptly by a physician. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. Thoroughly clean shoes before reuse.

Eye contact Get medical attention immediately. Call a poison control center or physician. Immediately flush with plenty of water, occasionally lifting the upper and lower eyelids. Check for and remove any contact lenses. Continue to rinse for at least 20 minutes. Chemical burns must be treated promptly by a physician.

Ingestion Get medical attention immediately. Call a poison control center or physician. Wash out mouth with water. Remove dentures if any. Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. If material has been swallowed and the exposed person is conscious, give small quantities of water to drink. Stop if exposed person feel sick as vomiting may be dangerous. Do not induce vomiting unless directed to do so by medical personnel. If vomiting occurs, keep head low so that stomach content doesn't get into the lungs. Chemical burns must be treated promptly by a physician. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. If unconscious, place in recovery position and get medical attention immediately. Maintain an open airway. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband.

Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed Causes serious eye damage. Symptoms include itching, burning, redness and tearing. May cause respiratory irritation. Effects on exposure by inhalation may include sore throat, cough, burning sensation, shortness of breath and labored breathing. Causes skin irritation. May cause pain, irritation, redness, or blistering. Ingestion may cause vomiting, nausea or other systemic effects.

Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed Treat symptomatically. Contact poison treatment specialist immediately if large quantities have been ingested or inhaled.

General information No action shall be taken involving any personal risk or without suitable training. If it is suspected that fumes are still present, the rescuer should wear an appropriate mask or self-contained breathing apparatus. It may be dangerous to the person providing aid to give mouth-to-mouth resuscitation without an appropriate barrier. Wash contaminated clothing thoroughly with water before removing it, or wear gloves.

5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable extinguishing media Use extinguishing agent suitable for type of surrounding fire.

Unsuitable extinguishing media None known.

Specific hazards arising from the chemical	No specific fire or explosion hazard.
Special protective equipment and precautions for firefighters	Fire-fighters should wear appropriate protective equipment and self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) with a full face-piece operated in positive pressure mode.
Fire fighting equipment/instructions	No special measures required.

6. Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures No action shall be taken involving any personal risk or without suitable training. Keep unnecessary and unprotected personnel from entering. Do not touch or walk through spilled material. Provide adequate ventilation. In case of inadequate ventilation, use respiratory protection. Put on appropriate personal protective equipment.

If specialized clothing is required to deal with the spillage, take note of any information in section 8 on suitable and unsuitable materials.

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up Move containers from spill area. Approach release from upwind. Prevent entry into waterways, sewer, basements or confined areas. Avoid dust formation. Do not dry sweep. Vacuum dust with equipment fitted with a HEPA filter and placed in a closed, labeled waste container. Dispose of via a licensed waste disposal contractor. Note: see Section 1 for emergency contact information and Section 13 for waste disposal.

Environmental precautions Avoid dispersal of spilled material and runoff and contact with soil, waterways, drains and sewers. Inform the relevant authorities if the product has caused environmental pollution (sewers, waterways, soil or air).

7. Handling and storage

Precautions for safe handling Put on appropriate personal protective equipment (see Section 8). Avoid exposure - obtain special instructions before use. Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Do not get in eyes, on skin, on clothing. Do not ingest. Use only with adequate ventilation. Wear appropriate respirator when ventilation is inadequate. Keep in the original container or an approved alternative made from a compatible material, kept tightly closed when not in use. Empty containers retain product residue and can be hazardous.

Eating, drinking, and smoking should be prohibited in areas where this material is handled, stored and processed. Workers should wash hands and face before eating, drinking and smoking. See also Section 8 for additional information on hygiene measures.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities Store in accordance with local regulations. Store in original container protected from direct sunlight in a dry, cool and well-ventilated area, away from incompatible materials (see Section 10), food and drink. Store to minimize dust generation. Keep container tightly closed and sealed until ready for use. Containers that have been opened must be carefully resealed and kept upright to prevent leakage. Do not store in unlabelled containers. Use appropriate containment to avoid environmental contamination.

8. Exposure controls/personal protection

Occupational exposure limits

US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values

Components	Type	Value	Form
Calcium hydroxide (CAS 1305-62-0)	TWA	5 mg/m ³	
Crystalline silica (quartz) (CAS 14808-60-7)	TWA	0.025 mg/m ³	Respirable fraction.

Canada. Alberta OELs (Occupational Health & Safety Code, Schedule 1, Table 2)

Components	Type	Value	Form
Calcium hydroxide (CAS 1305-62-0)	TWA	5 mg/m ³	
Crystalline silica (quartz) (CAS 14808-60-7)	TWA	0.025 mg/m ³	Respirable particles.

Canada. British Columbia OELs. (Occupational Exposure Limits for Chemical Substances, Occupational Health and Safety Regulation 296/97, as amended)

Components	Type	Value	Form
Calcium hydroxide (CAS 1305-62-0)	TWA	5 mg/m ³	

Canada. British Columbia OELs. (Occupational Exposure Limits for Chemical Substances, Occupational Health and Safety Regulation 296/97, as amended)

Components	Type	Value	Form
Crystalline silica (quartz) (CAS 14808-60-7)	TWA	0.025 mg/m ³	Respirable fraction.

Canada. Manitoba OELs (Reg. 217/2006, The Workplace Safety And Health Act)

Components	Type	Value	Form
Calcium hydroxide (CAS 1305-62-0)	TWA	5 mg/m ³	
Crystalline silica (quartz) (CAS 14808-60-7)	TWA	0.025 mg/m ³	Respirable fraction.

Canada. Ontario OELs. (Control of Exposure to Biological or Chemical Agents)

Components	Type	Value	Form
Calcium hydroxide (CAS 1305-62-0)	TWA	5 mg/m ³	
Crystalline silica (quartz) (CAS 14808-60-7)	TWA	0.1 mg/m ³	Respirable.

Canada. Quebec OELs. (Ministry of Labour - Regulation Respecting the Quality of the Work Environment)

Components	Type	Value	Form
Calcium hydroxide (CAS 1305-62-0)	TWA	5 mg/m ³	
Crystalline silica (quartz) (CAS 14808-60-7)	TWA	0.1 mg/m ³	Respirable dust.

Biological limit values	No biological exposure limits noted for the ingredient(s).
Exposure guidelines	Emissions from ventilation or work process equipment should be checked to ensure they comply with the requirements of environmental protection legislation.
Appropriate engineering controls	Use only with adequate ventilation. If user operations generate dust, fumes, gas, vapor or mist, use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation or other engineering controls to keep worker exposure to airborne contaminants below any recommended or statutory limits. Engineering controls may be required to control primary or secondary risks associated with this product.
Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment	
Eye/face protection	Safety eye wear complying with an approved standard should be used when a risk assessment indicates this is necessary to avoid exposure to liquid splashes, mists, gases or dusts. If contact is possible, the following protection should be worn, unless the assessment indicates a higher degree of protection: chemical splash goggles and/or face shield. If inhalation hazards exist, a full-face respirator may be required instead.
Skin protection	
Hand protection	Chemical-resistant, impervious gloves complying with an approved standard should be worn at all times when handling chemical products if a risk assessment indicates this is necessary. Considering the parameters specified by the glove manufacturer, check during use that the gloves are still retaining their protective properties. It should be noted that the time to breakthrough for any glove material may be different for different glove manufacturers. In the case of mixtures, consisting of several substances, the protection time of the gloves cannot be accurately estimated.
Other	Personal protective equipment for the body should be selected based on the task being performed and the risks involved and should be approved by a specialist before handling this product.
Respiratory protection	Use a properly fitted, particulate filter respirator complying with an approved standard if a risk assessment indicates this is necessary. Respirator selection must be based on known or anticipated exposure levels, the hazards of the product and the safe working limits of the selected respirator. Wear appropriate NIOSH respirator when ventilation is inadequate and occupational exposure limits are exceeded.
Thermal hazards	None.
General hygiene considerations	Wash hands, forearms and face thoroughly after handling chemical products, before eating, smoking and using the lavatory and at the end of the working period. Appropriate techniques should be used to remove potentially contaminated clothing. Wash contaminated clothing before reusing. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

9. Physical and chemical properties

Appearance

Physical state	
	Solid.

Form	Fine powder.
Colour	White.
Odour	Sweet, Soil-like
Odour threshold	Not available.
pH	12.5 (Saturated solution) at 25 °C
Melting point/freezing point	Not available.
Initial boiling point and boiling range	Not available.
Flash point	Not applicable.
Evaporation rate	Not available.
Flammability (solid, gas)	Not applicable.
Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits	
Flammability limit - lower (%)	Not applicable.
Flammability limit - upper (%)	Not applicable.
Explosive limit - lower (%)	Not applicable.
Explosive limit – upper (%)	Not applicable.
Vapour pressure	Not available.
Vapour density	Not available.
Relative density	2.2 - 2.6
Solubility(ies)	
Solubility (water)	0.1 g/100g at 20 °C
Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water)	Not available.
Auto-ignition temperature	Not applicable.
Decomposition temperature	345 °C (653 °F)
Viscosity	Not available.
Other information	
VOC (Weight %)	0 % w/w

10. Stability and reactivity

Reactivity	No specific test data related to the reactivity is available for this product or its ingredients.
Chemical stability	The product is stable.
Possibility of hazardous reactions	None known.
Conditions to avoid	Contact with incompatible materials.
Incompatible materials	Water. Acids, reactive fluoridated, brominated or phosphorous compounds; aluminum, reactive powdered metals; organic acid anhydrides; nitro-organic compounds; interhalogenated compounds and oxidizing materials
Hazardous decomposition products	None known.

11. Toxicological information

Information on likely routes of exposure

Inhalation	May cause respiratory irritation.
Skin contact	Causes skin irritation.
Eye contact	Causes serious eye damage.
Ingestion	No adverse effects due to ingestion are expected.

Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics

Causes serious eye damage. Symptoms include itching, burning, redness, and tearing of eyes. May cause respiratory irritation. Effects on exposure by inhalation may include sore throat, cough, burning sensation, shortness of breath and labored breathing. Causes skin irritation. May cause pain, irritation, redness, or blistering. Ingestion may cause vomiting, nausea or other systemic effects.

Information on toxicological effects**Acute toxicity**

Components	Species	Test results
Calcium hydroxide (CAS 1305-62-0)		
Acute		
<i>Oral</i>		
LD50	Rat	7340 mg/kg

Skin corrosion/irritation

Causes skin irritation.

Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Causes serious eye damage.

Respiratory or skin sensitisation**Canada - Alberta OELs: Irritant**

Calcium hydroxide (CAS 1305-62-0) Irritant

Respiratory sensitisation

No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Skin sensitisation

No data available.

Germ cell mutagenicity

No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Carcinogenicity

May cause cancer by inhalation. Risk of cancer depends on duration and level of exposure.

ACGIH Carcinogens

Crystalline silica (quartz) (CAS 14808-60-7) A2 Suspected human carcinogen.

Canada - Alberta OELs: Carcinogen category

Crystalline silica (quartz) (CAS 14808-60-7) Suspected human carcinogen.

Canada - Manitoba OELs: carcinogenicity

SILICA, CRYSTALLINE-.ALPHA.-QUARTZ, RESPIRABLE FRACTION (CAS 14808-60-7) Suspected human carcinogen.

Canada - Quebec OELs: Carcinogen category

Crystalline silica (quartz) (CAS 14808-60-7) Suspected carcinogenic effect in humans.

IARC Monographs. Overall Evaluation of Carcinogenicity

Crystalline silica (quartz) (CAS 14808-60-7) 1 Carcinogenic to humans.

Reproductive toxicity

No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure

May cause respiratory irritation.

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure

Causes damage to organs (kidneys, respiratory tract, testes) through prolonged or repeated exposure by inhalation.

Aspiration hazard

No data available.

12. Ecological information**Ecotoxicity**

Components	Species	Test results
Calcium hydroxide (CAS 1305-62-0)		
Aquatic		
Fish	LC50 Zambezi barbel (<i>Clarias gariepinus</i>)	33.8844 mg/l, 96 hours

Persistence and degradability

No data available.

Bioaccumulative potential

No data available.

Mobility in soil

No data available.

Other adverse effects

No known significant effects or critical hazards.

13. Disposal considerations

Disposal instructions	The generation of waste should be avoided or minimized wherever possible. Empty containers or liners may retain some product residues. This material and its container must be disposed of in a safe way. Dispose of surplus and non-recyclable products via a licensed waste disposal contractor. Disposal of this product, solutions and any byproducts should at all times comply with the requirements of environmental protection and waste disposal legislation and any regional local authority requirements. Avoid dispersal of spilled material and runoff and contact with soil, waterways, drains and sewers. Waste should not be disposed of untreated to the sewer unless fully compliant with the requirements of all authorities with jurisdiction. Waste packaging should be recycled. Incineration or landfill should only be considered when recycling is not feasible. Care should be taken when handling empty containers that have not been cleaned or rinsed out.
Local disposal regulations	Dispose of in accordance with local regulations.
Hazardous waste code	The waste code should be assigned in discussion between the user, the producer and the waste disposal company.
Waste from residues / unused products	Dispose of in accordance with local regulations.
Contaminated packaging	Dispose of in accordance with local regulations.

14. Transport information

TDG	Not regulated as dangerous goods.
IATA	Not regulated as dangerous goods.
IMDG	Not regulated as dangerous goods.
Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code	Not available.
General information	Transport within user's premises: always transport in closed containers that are upright and secure. Ensure that persons transporting the product know what to do in the event of an accident or spillage.

15. Regulatory information

Canadian regulations	This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the HPR and the SDS contains all the information required by the HPR.	
Controlled Drugs and Substances Act	Not regulated.	
Export Control List (CEPA 1999, Schedule 3)	Not listed.	
Greenhouse Gases	Not listed.	
Precursor Control Regulations	Not regulated.	
International regulations		
Stockholm Convention	Not applicable.	
Rotterdam Convention	Not applicable.	
Kyoto protocol	Not applicable.	
Montreal Protocol	Not applicable.	
Basel Convention	Not applicable.	
International Inventories		
Country(s) or region	Inventory name	On inventory (yes/no)*
Canada	Domestic Substances List (DSL)	No

Country(s) or region	Inventory name	On inventory (yes/no)*
Canada	Non-Domestic Substances List (NDSL)	Yes

*A "Yes" indicates this product complies with the inventory requirements administered by the governing country(s).

A "No" indicates that one or more components of the product are not listed or exempt from listing on the inventory administered by the governing country(s).

16. Other information

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Further information Hazard Scale: 0 = Minimal 1 = Slight 2 = Moderate 3 = Serious 4 = Severe

NFPA ratings Health: 3
Flammability: 0
Instability: 1

NFPA ratings



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