

This SDS adheres to the standards and regulatory requirements of the United States and may not meet the regulatory requirements of other countries.

# Section 1. Product and Company Identification

Product name	EarthElements <sup>TM</sup>			
MSDS Number	ZQE20240901			
Company name of supplier	ZQ Surfaces, Inc. and/or ZQ			
	Surfaces Corp.			

**Restrictions on Use:** For recommended applications as a surfacing material.

#### Section 2. Hazards Identification

**Emergency Overview** 

The product as such is not hazardous. The hazards of this product are associated mainly with its processing. Operations such as sawing, routing, drilling and sanding can generate dust. Wet dust generated during fabrication of Composite Products is non-hazardous. Mixture is judged to be non-hazardous based on known acute toxicity of ingredients it may contain.

# Warning symptoms: Potential Health Effects:

Eyes: ------ Wet or dry dust contact with the eyes can lead to mechanical irritation

Inhalation: --- Gross overexposure may cause: Breathing difficulties, Fever, Cough, and possibly Lung

damage. May be fatal if inhaled in large quantities. Follow OSHA safety guidelines for

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) to be worn during conversion of slabs.

## Section 3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

CAS#	Component	Percent
65997-18-4	Frit Glass	Proprietary
13463-67-7	Titanium Dioxide (TiO₂)	Proprietary
113669-95-7	Unsaturated Polyester Resin	Proprietary
	Inorganic Fillers	Proprietary

# **Component Information/Information on Non-Hazardous Components**

Frits (CAS# 65997-18-4) are a mixture of inorganic compounds that are melted together, rapidly cooled to produce flakes and may then be milled to form powders. This product contains hazardous components that are essentially insoluble. The substance's nature greatly or totally reduces the hazards of the ingredients.



## **Section 4. First Aid Measures**

First aid measures are not required when exposed to just slabs of material.

Always seek medical assistance if necessary or if you have questions. In situations of exposure to particulates when cutting, grinding, machining the slabs, always follow OSHA or State guidelines for exposure limits and the wearing of Personal Protective Equipment!

**Health Reminders:** 

Inhalation issues: Move individual to fresh air, seek medical assistance if individual experiences breathing

difficulty.

**Skin contact:** Wash exposed areas with soap and water.

Eye contact: Flush eyes with water for at least 5 minutes. Do not rub eye. Seek Medical

attention if individual experiences irritation after eye flushing.

**Ingestion:** Material is non-hazardous.

Protection of First aiders: No applicable data available Notes to Physicians: No applicable data available

# Section 5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media: The product itself does not burn. Use extinguishing measures that are

appropriate to local situation and circumstances and the surrounding

environment.

Hazardous Combustion Products: If heated to excess temperatures, this material will proceed to a liquid and

will form irritating and toxic gaseous metallic oxides at extremely high

temperatures.

Firefighting Instructions: Wear full protective clothing, including helmet, self-contained positive

pressure or pressure demand breathing apparatus, protective clothing

and face mask.

#### **Section 6. Accidental Release Measures**

**NOTE:** Review FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES and HANDLING (PERSONNEL) sections in this document before proceeding with clean-up. Use appropriate PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT during clean-up as recommended.

Safeguards (Personnel) – Wear personal protective equipment.

Spill Cleanup - Not applicable

Accidental Release Measures - Not applicable



## Section 7. Handling and Storage

**Storage:** Material does not require special storage instructions. It is recommended material be

stored in an area protected from the environment.

**Handling:** Wear appropriate Personal Protective Equipment such as hand protection and footwear.

Wash hands before breaks and at the end of the workday.

## **Section 8. Exposure Controls/Personal Protection**

The product is composed of inorganic mineral fillers. The occupational exposure levels are provided for information purposes. Consult a health and safety professional or local authorities if you have questions.

Engineering controls: Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed.

**Exposure Limit Values:** Not appropriate for material shipped from manufacturer. When cutting or grinding, for example, workers should seek from their employer appropriate personnel protective equipment as required by the government, the work environment conditions and equipment to process the material safely.

# **Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)**

Eye/Face protection: Wear appropriate safety glasses with side shields Hand Protection: For additional protection, wear protective gloves.

Foot Protection: Safety shoes are recommended when handling material.

Respiratory Protection: In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment. Respiratory protection is required under normal use of this product where there are cutting or grinding operations that may generate wet dust. It is required that all manufacturing operations be done in wet conditions. Respiratory protection is necessary even if engineering controls are used to reduce wet dust generation during cutting or grinding operations. If respiratory protection is deemed necessary from exposure monitoring data, follow OSHA regulation 29 CFR 1910, 134 or other local regulations. Always use a NIOSH or other approved respirator when necessary.

## **Exposure Guidelines - Exposure Limit Values**

CAS#	Component	AGGIH	OSHA	NIOSH
65997-18-4	Frit Glass**			6 mg/m³ TWA Total
	(See ** below)			3 mg/m³ Respirable
13463-67-7	Titanium Dioxide	1 mg/m <sub>3</sub>	5 mg/m₃ inhalable	
	(TiO <sub>2</sub> )	respirable fraction	dust 8 hr. TWA	
113669-95-7	Unsaturated	TWA 20 PPM	100 PPM 8-hour(s)	TWA 50 PPM
	Polyester Resin	8-hour(s) Skin		10 Hour(s)
	Inorganic Fillers			

<sup>\*\*</sup>This value is for the Amorphous Silica (SiO<sub>2</sub>), the highest content in the Frit product.



## **Section 9. Physical and Chemical Properties**

Form Solid
Color Various
Odor None

Density 2.2 - 2.5 g/cm3 Water solubility Insoluble

## Section 10. Stability and Reactivity

Reactivity - No applicable data available Chemical stability - No applicable data available Possibility of Hazardous reactions - None foreseen Conditions to avoid - None foreseen

Incompatible materials - No applicable data available

Hazardous decomposition products - No decomposition occurs if used as directed.

# **Section 11. Toxicological Information**

#### **Acute Toxicity**

## A: General Product Information

No information available for product. As supplied, this product has limited bioavailability, however upon ingestion or inhalation, these elements may slowly dissolve out.

Silicon dioxide (amorphous) dust seems to have little adverse effect on lungs and does not appear to produce significant organic disease or toxic effects when exposures are kept under reasonable control.

## A: Component Carcinogenicity

#### Silicon dioxide, amorphous (7631-86-9)

IARC: Monograph 68, 1997 (Group 3 (not classifiable))

## **Epidemiology**

No information available.

# Neurotoxicity

Some reports of neurological effects due to boron (ingested by infants as boric acid) have been reported.

# Mutagenicity

No information available.

# **Other Toxicological Information**

Under normal conditions of use for glass products, the likelihood of inhaling or ingesting amounts necessary for these effects to occur is very small. Persons with preexisting eye and skin conditions or impaired pulmonary function may be more susceptible.



# **Section 12. Ecological information**

This product has no known ecotoxicological effects.

# **Section 13. Disposal Considerations**

Waste disposal methods should follow local regulations.

# **Section 14. Transport Information**

This product is not regulated as dangerous under transport regulations.

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## **Section 15. Regulatory Information**

The finished product is not regulated.

## **Section 16. Other Information**

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