BENTONEX WS

Technical Data

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Product Description

Bentonex WS is a high quality natural sodium bentonite from the Rio Negro province of Argentina. It is milled and air classified to give a consistent fine powder.

Typical Chemical Analysis

| SiO ₂ | 60.61% | CaO | 2.07% | Pb | 11.2 ppm |
|-------------------|--------|------------------|--------|----|-----------|
| Al_2O_3 | 18.42% | K ₂ O | <0.45% | As | 2.2 ppm |
| Fe_2O_3 | 4.79% | Mn_2O_3 | <0.06% | Cd | 0.41 ppm |
| Na ₂ O | 3.2% | TiO ₂ | 0.47% | Hg | < 0.1 ppm |
| MσO | 2 78% | IOI | 6.43% | | |

Typical Mineralogy

| Montmorillonite | 88% | Feldspars | 5% |
|-----------------|-----|-----------|-----|
| Gypsum | 5% | Quartz | <2% |

Other Typical Properties

| Bulk Density | $800 - 900 \text{ Kg/m}^3$ |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| Cation Exchange Capacity | 77 meq/100g |
| Swelling Volume | >29 cm ³ /2g |
| Moisture | <14% by weight |

Sieve Analysis

Retained on a 75µm sieve <15%

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