

# MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

GILSONITE

## SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

### 1.1. Product Identifier

Product Name: Gilsonite® All Grades  
IC Color: Y43  
CAS Number: 12002-43-6 (CAS number)

### 1.2. Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Identified use: Drilling fluid additive, cement additive, printing ink, foundry, and asphalt  
Use advised against: None

### 1.3. Details of the Supplier of the Safety Data Sheet

Company: Color Rare Ltd 105-1725 Atmec Gatineau, QC J8R 0E7  
Tel/Fax: 1-613-701-5022  
Email: [info@terrachrom.com](mailto:info@terrachrom.com)

### 1.4. Emergency Telephone No.:

Canada Contact your local Provincial Poison Centre or 911

<http://www.capcc.ca/>

Ontario: 1-800-268-9017

Quebec: 1-800-463-5060

USA American Association of Poison Control Centers 1-800-222-1222

<http://www.aapcc.org/>

## SECTION 2: Hazards Identification

NOT NECESSARY

### 2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

The substance has been assessed and/or tested for its physical, health and environmental hazards and the following classification applies.

Classification according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 as amended

Hazard summary

May form explosible dust-air mixture if dispersed. Exposure to powder or dusts may be irritating to eyes, nose and throat.

## 2.2. Label elements

### Label according to Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008 as amended

Contains:	Gilsonite
Hazard pictograms:	None
Signal word:	None.
Hazard statements:	The substance does not meet the criteria for classification.

### Precautionary statements

Prevention:	Observe good industrial hygiene practices.
Response:	Wash hands after handling.
Storage:	Store away from incompatible materials.
Disposal:	Dispose of waste and residues in accordance with local authority requirements.

### Supplemental label information

The material may form dust and can accumulate electrostatic charges, which may cause an electrical spark (ignition source).

## 2.3. Other hazards

May form explosible dust-air mixture if dispersed. Not a PBT or vPvB substance or mixture.

## SECTION 3: Composition/Information on Ingredients

Chemical name Gilsonite  
Classification: - % 100  
CAS-No. / EC No. 12002-43-6

### Notes List of abbreviations and symbols that may be used above

#: This substance has been assigned Union workplace exposure limits  
M: M-factor  
PBT: persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic substance.  
vPvB: very persistent and very bioaccumulative substance.

## SECTION 4: First-Aid Measures

### 4.1 General information:

Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, and take precautions to protect themselves.

After inhalation: Move to fresh air. Call a physician if symptoms develop or persist  
After skin contact: Wash off with soap and water. Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists.  
After eye contact: Do not rub eyes. Rinse with water. Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists.  
After ingestion: Rinse mouth. Get medical attention if symptoms occur

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

Dusts may irritate the respiratory tract, skin and eyes.

**4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**

Treat symptomatically.

**SECTION 5: Fire-Fighting Measures****General Fire hazards**

May form explosible dust-air mixture if dispersed. No unusual fire or explosion hazards noted.

**5.1. Extinguishing media**

Avoid high pressure media which could cause the formation of a potentially explosible dust-air mixture.

Use water or a multi-purpose ABC extinguisher.

Apply extinguishing media carefully to avoid creating airborne dust.

Do not use water jet as an extinguisher, as this will spread the fire

**5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture**

Explosion hazard: Avoid generating dust; fine dust dispersed in air in sufficient concentrations and in the presence of an ignition source is a potential dust explosion hazard. During fire, gases hazardous to health may be formed

**5.3. Advice for firefighters**

Selection of respiratory protection for firefighting: follow the general fire precautions indicated in the workplace. Self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective clothing must be worn in case of fire. Firefighters should wear full protective clothing including self contained breathing apparatus. In case of fire and/or explosion do not breathe fumes. Move containers from fire area if you can do so without risk.

**Specific methods**

Use standard firefighting procedures and consider the hazards of other involved materials.

**SECTION 6: Accidental Release Measures****6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

Keep unnecessary personnel away. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Use only non-sparking tools. Dust deposits should not be allowed to accumulate on surfaces, as these may form an explosive mixture if they are released into the atmosphere in sufficient concentration.

Wear appropriate protective equipment and clothing during clean-up. Ensure adequate ventilation.

Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained. For personal protection, see section 8 of the SDS.

**For emergency responders**

Keep unnecessary personnel away. Use personal protection recommended in Section 8 of the SDS

**6.2. Environmental precautions**

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so.

### 6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Eliminate all ignition sources (no smoking, flares, sparks, or flames in immediate area). Take precautionary measures against static discharge. Use only non-sparking tools. Avoid dispersal of dust in the air (i.e., clearing dust surfaces with compressed air). Collect dust using a vacuum cleaner equipped with HEPA filter. This product is miscible in water. Stop the flow of material, if this is without risk.

Large Spills: Wet down with water and dike for later disposal. Shovel the material into waste container. Following product recovery, flush area with water.

Small Spills: Sweep up or vacuum up spillage and collect in suitable container for disposal.

Never return spills to original containers for re-use

### 6.4. Reference to other sections

Any information on personal protection and disposal is given in sections 8 and 13.

## SECTION 7: Handling and Storage

### 7.1. Precautions for safe handling

Minimise dust generation and accumulation. Avoid significant deposits of material, especially on horizontal surfaces, which may become airborne and form combustible dust clouds and may contribute to secondary explosions. Routine housekeeping should be instituted to ensure that dusts do not accumulate on surfaces. Dry powders can build static electricity charges when subjected to the friction of transfer and mixing operations. Provide adequate precautions, such as electrical grounding and bonding, or inert atmospheres. Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking. Explosion-proof general and local exhaust ventilation. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment. Observe good industrial hygiene practices

### 7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Store in a cool, dry place out of direct sunlight. Store away from incompatible materials (see section 10 of the SDS)

### 7.3. Specific end use(s)

Drilling fluid additive, cement additive, printing ink, foundry, and asphalt

## SECTION 8: Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

### 8.1. Control parameters

Occupational exposure limits	No exposure limits noted for ingredient(s).
Biological limit values	No biological exposure limits noted for the ingredient(s).
Recommended monitoring procedures	Follow standard monitoring procedures.
Derived no effect levels (DNELs)	Not available.
Predicted no effect concentrations (PNECs)	Not available

## 8.2. Exposure controls

### Appropriate engineering controls

Explosion-proof general and local exhaust ventilation. Good general ventilation should be used. Ventilation rates should be matched to conditions. If applicable, use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to maintain airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If exposure limits have not been established, maintain airborne levels to an acceptable level. It is recommended that all dust control equipment such as local exhaust ventilation and material transport systems involved in handling of this product contain explosion relief vents or an explosion suppression system or an oxygen-deficient environment. Ensure that dust-handling systems (such as exhaust ducts, dust collectors, vessels, and processing equipment) are designed in a manner to prevent the escape of dust into the work area (i.e., there is no leakage from the equipment). Use only appropriately classified electrical equipment and powered industrial trucks.

### General protective measures:

Use personal protective equipment as required. Personal protection equipment should be chosen according to the CEN standards and in discussion with the supplier of the personal protective equipment.

**Eye/face protection** Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles)

**Respiratory protection** If engineering controls do not maintain airborne concentrations below recommended exposure limits (where applicable) or to an acceptable level (in countries where exposure limits have not been established), an approved respirator must be worn.

**Hand/skin protection** Wear appropriate chemical resistant gloves  
Wear suitable protective clothing

**Thermal hazard** Wear appropriate thermal protective clothing, when necessary.

**Hygiene measures** When using, do not eat, drink or smoke. Always observe good personal hygiene measures, such as washing after handling the material and before eating, drinking, and/or smoking. Routinely wash work clothing and protective equipment to remove contaminants.

### Environmental exposure controls

Emissions from ventilation or work process equipment should be checked to ensure they comply with the requirements of environmental protection legislation. Fume scrubbers, filters or engineering modifications to the process equipment may be necessary to reduce emissions to acceptable levels.

## SECTION 9: Physical and Chemical Properties

### 9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

#### Appearance

Physical state	Solid.
Form	Powder.
Colour	Dark brown.
Odour	Odorless to slight odor
Odour threshold	Not available.
pH	Not available.

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Melting point/freezing point	Not available.
Initial boiling point and boiling range	Not available.
Flash point	310,0 °C (590,0 °F)
Evaporation rate	Not available.
Flammability (solid, gas)	Not available.
<b>Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits</b>	
Flammability limit - lower (%)	ND
Flammability limit – upper (%)	250-500 g/m3
Vapour pressure	Not available.
Vapour density	Not available.
Relative density	Not available.
Solubility(ies)	None.
Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water)	Not available.
Auto-ignition temperature	500 °C (932 °F)
Decomposition temperature	287,8 °C (550 °F)
Viscosity	Not available.
Explosive properties	May form explosive mixtures with air. Sensitivity to Static Discharge
Oxidising properties	Not oxidising.

## 9.2. Other information.

Chemical family	Naturally Occurring Hydrocarbon
Molecular formula	UNKNOWN

## SECTION 10: Stability and Reactivity

### 10.1. Reactivity

The product is stable and non-reactive under normal conditions of use, storage and transport

### 10.2. Chemical stability

Material is stable under normal conditions.

### 10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

No dangerous reaction known under conditions of normal use.

### 10.4. Conditions to avoid

Keep away from heat, sparks and open flame. Avoid temperatures above 288 °C. Contact with incompatible materials. Minimise dust generation and accumulation.

### 10.5. Incompatible materials

Strong oxidising agents

### 10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

Carbon oxides, Nitrogen oxides

## SECTION 11: Toxicological Information

### 11.1. Information on toxicological effects

#### General information,

Occupational exposure to the substance or mixture may cause adverse effects

#### Information on likely routes of exposure

**Inhalation** Dust may irritate respiratory system.

**Skin contact** Dust or powder may irritate the skin.

**Eye contact** Dust may irritate the eyes.

**Ingestion** May cause discomfort if swallowed.

**Symptoms** Dusts may irritate the respiratory tract, skin and eyes

## SECTION 12: Ecological Information

**12.1. Toxicity** Due to partial or complete lack of data the classification for hazardous to the aquatic environment, is not possible.

**12.2. Persistence and degradability** Will not biodegrade

**12.3. Bioaccumulative potential** Will not bio-accumulate.

Partition coefficient Not available

n-octanol/water (log Kow)

Bioconcentration factor (BCF) Not available.

**12.4. Mobility in soil** The product is insoluble in water.

**12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment** Not a PBT or vPvB substance or mixture.

**12.6. Other adverse effects** No other adverse environmental effects (e.g. ozone depletion, photochemical ozone creation potential, endocrine disruption, global warming potential) are expected from this component.

## SECTION 13: Disposal Considerations

### Residual waste

Dispose of in accordance with local regulations. Empty containers or liners may retain some product residues. This material and its container must be disposed of in a safe manner (see: Disposal instructions).

### Contaminated packaging

Since emptied containers may retain product residue, follow label warnings even after container is emptied. Empty containers should be taken to an approved waste handling site for recycling or disposal.

#### **EU waste code**

The Waste code should be assigned in discussion between the user, the producer and the waste disposal company.

#### **Disposal methods/information**

Collect and reclaim or dispose in sealed containers at licensed waste disposal site. Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.

#### **Special precautions**

Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations.

### **SECTION 14: Transport Information**

NO RESTRICTIONS

#### **14.1. – 14.6**

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Not regulated as dangerous goods

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

Not applicable.

### **SECTION 15: Regulatory Information**

Regulation (EC) No. 1005/2009 on substances that deplete the ozone layer, Annex I and II, as amended  
Not listed.

Regulation (EC) No. 850/2004 On persistent organic pollutants, Annex I as amended  
Not listed.

Regulation (EU) No. 649/2012 concerning the export and import of dangerous chemicals, Annex I, Part 1 as amended  
Not listed.

Regulation (EU) No. 649/2012 concerning the export and import of dangerous chemicals, Annex I, Part 2 as amended  
Not listed.

Regulation (EU) No. 649/2012 concerning the export and import of dangerous chemicals, Annex I, Part 3 as amended  
Not listed.

Regulation (EU) No. 649/2012 concerning the export and import of dangerous chemicals, Annex V as amended  
Not listed.

Regulation (EC) No. 166/2006 Annex II Pollutant Release and Transfer Registry, as amended  
Not listed.

Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006, REACH Article 59(10) Candidate List as currently published by ECHA  
Not listed.

#### **Authorisations**

Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006, REACH Annex XIV Substances subject to authorization, as amended



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Not listed.

Restrictions on use

Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006, REACH Annex XVII Substances subject to restriction on marketing and use as amended

Not listed.

Directive 2004/37/EC: on the protection of workers from the risks related to exposure to carcinogens and mutagens at work, as amended.

Not listed.

#### **Other EU regulations**

Directive 2012/18/EU on major accident hazards involving dangerous substances, as amended

Not listed.

#### **Other regulations**

The product is classified and labelled in accordance with Regulation (EC) 1272/2008 (CLP Regulation) as amended. This Safety Data Sheet complies with the requirements of Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006, as amended.

#### **National regulations**

Follow national regulation for work with chemical agents in accordance with Directive 98/24/EC, as amended.

#### **15.2. Chemical safety assessment**

No Chemical Safety Assessment has been carried out

### **SECTION 16: Other Information**

**List of abbreviations** Not available.

**References** Not available.

**Information on evaluation method leading to the classification of mixture** Not applicable.

**Full text of any H-statements not written out in full under Sections 2 to 15** None.

**Training information** Follow training instructions when handling this material.

#### **Disclaimer**

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