



## MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

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**NOT HAZARDOUS ACCORDING TO CRITERIA OF WORKSAFE**

### 1. IDENTIFICATION

Product Name: Spill Station Organic General Purpose Absorbent  
Other Names: Coir Fibre  
Product Code: N/A  
UN Number: None allocated  
Dangerous Goods Class: None allocated  
Secondary Risk: None allocated  
Hazchem Code: None allocated  
Pack Group: None allocated  
EPG: None allocated  
Poisons Schedule: None allocated  
Uses: Industrial liquid spill absorbent

#### 1.1 PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION/PROPERTIES

Appearance: Brown natural organic substance  
Boiling Point (°C): N/A Melting Point (°C): N/A  
Vapour Pressure: N/A Mm Hg (1 atm) Specific Gravity (water = 1): .125  
Flash Point (°C): N/A Flammability Limits (as % volume in air)  
Solubility in Water: Insoluble G/l (25°C) Lower Explosion Limit: N/A  
pH (@ 10% solution): N/A Upper Explosion Limit: N/A

#### 1.2 OTHER PROPERTIES

Not effective in removing ethylene

#### 1.3 INGREDIENTS

Chemical Entity	C.A.S. N <sup>o</sup>	Proportion
Coir Pith Fibre	Not applicable	90-95%
H <sub>2</sub> O	Not applicable	5-10%

### 2. HEALTH HAZARD INFORMATION

#### 2.1 HEALTH EFFECTS - ACUTE

Swallowed: Material is inert however is highly absorbent and could cause dehydration if large amounts are consumed  
Eye: Can cause irritation to eyes.  
Skin: Can cause irritation to skin.  
Inhaled: Inhalation can cause irritation to the respiratory tract.

#### 2.2 HEALTH EFFECTS - CHRONIC

No data available.

#### 2.3 FIRST AID

Swallowed: No known adverse effects if ingested in small quantities.  
Eye: Immediately flush the contaminated eye(s) with lukewarm, gently flowing water for 15 minutes holding the eyelid(s) open. Seek medical attention if necessary.  
Skin: Remove all contaminated clothing and launder before re-use.  
Inhaled: If inhaled, remove to fresh air and keep victim calm. Seek medical attention if acute reaction.

#### 2.4 FIRST AID FACILITIES

Ensure an eye bath and safety shower is available and ready to use.

#### 2.5 ADVISE TO DOCTORS

Treat symptomatically based on the judgement of doctor and individual reactions of patient.

#### 2.6 TOXICITY DATA

No data available.

### 3. PRECAUTIONS FOR USE

#### 3.1 Exposure Standards:

Nuisance dust, no exposure standards set for coir fibre.

#### 3.2 Engineering Controls:

Engineering control methods including adequate mechanical ventilation to reduce hazardous exposures are preferred.

#### 3.3 Personal Protection

Respirator – use a NIOSH/MSHA – approved dust type respirator.

Eye protection – use safety glasses or goggles.

Gloves – Not applicable

Garments – Not applicable

Avoid wearing contact lenses. Always wash hands before eating, drinking, smoking or using toilet.

#### 3.4 Flammability:

Non flammable



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**4. SAFE HANDLING INFORMATION**

**4.1 Storage / Transport**

Store in cool dry ventilated storage area and away from foodstuffs.

**4.2 Packaging / Labelling**

Sealed plastic containers.

U.N. N <sup>o</sup> :	N/A	Class:	N/A	Sub Risk:	N/A
Hazchem Code:	N/A	Pack Group:	N/A	EPG N <sup>o</sup> :	N/A
Shipping Name:	Rehydrated Coir Fibre				
Hazard:	Not applicable				

**4.3 SPILLS & DISPOSAL**

Spills:

Soil release – shovel and sweep up.

Water spills – not applicable.

Air spills – keep upwind and treat as above.

Occupational spills – shovel and sweep up.

Disposal (after treatment above)

Waste material should be disposed in accordance with local, state, and national EPA regulations.

**4.4 FIRE & EXPLOSION HAZARD**

Fire / Explosion

No known explosion hazard or hazardous combustion product for virgin material.

Extinguishing Media

Not applicable.

**5. OTHER INFORMATION**

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**5.2 CONTACT POINTS**

ORGANISATION	LOCATION	TELEPHONE	ASK FOR
Spill Station Aust. Pty Ltd	Wetherill Park NSW	1300 66 42 66	Technical Officer
Poisons Information Centre	Westmead	131126	

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