

# Material Safety Data Sheet

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## Section 1 Product and Company Identification

**Product Name:** **Railroad Chalk**  
**Revision #:** 3.0 **Date Prepared:** October 15, 1999 **Date Revised:** February 26, 2013

**Manufacturer:**

**LA-CO INDUSTRIES, Inc.** *Markal Co.*

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**Chemical Formula:** Mixture

**CAS No.:** Not Applicable. **Derivation:** Not Applicable.

**Synonyms:** Not Applicable.

**General Use:** Marking chalk

**Supplier/Importer:**

## Section 2 Composition/Information on Ingredients

<u>Ingredient</u>	<u>CAS No.</u>	<u>%</u>
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No Hazardous ingredients according to the U.S. OSHA Hazard Communication Standard 29 CFR 1910.1200, Canadian WHMIS regulations, British CHIP regulation 6, and Australian Regulations for the Control of Workplace Hazardous Substances.

## Section 3 Hazards Identification

**EMERGENCY OVERVIEW:** KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN. FOR INDUSTRIAL USE ONLY.

### POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS

**Primary Exposure Routes:** Eyes, Inhalation

#### Acute Effects

**Eyes:** Contact may cause mechanical irritation.

**Skin:** None known

**Ingestion:** None known

**Inhalation:** Dust may be irritating.

**Carcinogenicity:** Not Applicable.

**Target Organ Effects:** Not Applicable.

**Medical Conditions Aggravated by Long-Term Exposure:** Not Determined.

**Other Information:** Not Applicable.

#### Chronic Effects

**Eyes:** None known

**Skin:** None known

**Ingestion:** None known

**Inhalation:** None known

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## Section 4

## First Aid

**Eye Contact:** Immediately flush eyes with water for at least 15 minutes while holding eyelids open.

Remove any contact lenses. Have victim roll eyes for more thorough flushing.

**Skin Contact:** Flush skin with water or wash with soap and water.

**Ingestion:** NEVER GIVE ANYTHING BY MOUTH TO AN UNCONSCIOUS OR CONVULSING PERSON.

Give victim water to dilute.

**Inhalation:** Remove victim to fresh air. Give oxygen if breathing is difficult. Give artificial respiration if breathing has stopped. Get medical attention.

**Other Information:** None known

## Section 5

## Fire Fighting Measures

**Flash Point (method):** Not applicable

**LEL:** Not applicable    **UEL:** Not applicable

**Autoignition Temperature:** Not applicable

**Flammability Classification:** Not applicable

**Extinguishing Media:** Not applicable

**Hazardous Combustion Products:** Not determined

**Unusual Fire or Explosion Hazards:** Not applicable

**Fire-Fighting Instructions/Equipment:** Keep personnel removed and upwind of any fire. Wear full fire-fighting turn-out gear (full Bunker gear), and respiratory protection (SCBA).

## Section 6

## Accidental Release Measures

Use recommended personal protective equipment (see Section 8).

**Small and Large Spills:** Sweep or shovel up.

## Section 7

## Handling and Storage

**Handling Precautions:** Use recommended personal protective equipment (see Section 8). Wash thoroughly after handling.

**Storage Requirements:** Store away from incompatible chemicals (see Sec. 10). Store in a cool, dry area.

## Section 8

## Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

**Eye/Face Protection:** Safety glasses.

**Skin/Hand Protection:** Suitable for related activities where this product is used.

**Respiratory Protection:** Suitable for related activities where this product is used.

**Other Equipment:** Eyewash.

**Engineering Controls:** Use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to control sources of dust or fumes.

**Administrative Controls:** Users of this product must be properly trained and qualified in its use.

**Other Information:** No food or beverage should be consumed in the work area. Wash thoroughly before eating, drinking, or smoking.

## Section 9

## Physical and Chemical Properties

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**Appearance/Physical State:** Solid chalk  
**Odor:** Not applicable  
**Odor Threshold (ppm):** Not Determined.  
**Specific Gravity (H<sub>2</sub>O = 1):** >1  
**pH:** Not applicable  
**Melting Point:** Not applicable  
**Boiling Point:** Not applicable  
**Vapor Pressure (mm Hg at 20°C):** Not applicable  
**Vapor Density (Air = 1):** Not applicable  
**Evaporation Rate (n-BuAc=1):** Not applicable  
**V.O.C. (U.S. Clean Air Act Section 111):** 0%(w/w)  
**Flash Point (method):** (see Section 5)

**Note:** The physical data represented above are typical values and should not be construed as a specification.

**Solubility - Water:** Insoluble  
- **Fat:** Partially soluble  
**Coefficient of Water/Oil Solubility:** <1  
**Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water):** >1  
**Autoignition Temperature:** (see Section 5)  
**Flammability Classification:** (see Section 5)  
**Unusual Fire or Explosion Hazards:** (see Section 5)  
**Oxidizing Properties:** Not Applicable.  
**Other Information:** None.

### Section 10 Stability and Reactivity

**Chemical Stability:** Stable  
**Conditions to Avoid:** None known  
**Hazardous Decomposition Products (non-thermal):** Carbon dioxide and possibly other toxic gasses.  
**Hazardous Polymerization:** Will Not Occur  
**Chemicals to Avoid:** Strong acids and oxidizers.

### Section 11 Toxicological Information

**Sensitization to Product:** Not Applicable.  
**Irritancy of Product:** Not applicable  
**Reproductive Toxicity:** Not Applicable.  
**Teratogenicity:** Not Applicable.  
**Mutagenicity:** Not Applicable.  
Further hazard information, if applicable, may be found in Section 3. Toxicological information regarding individual ingredients, if applicable, may be found in Section 2.

### Section 12 Ecological Information

**Mobility:** Not Determined.  
**Degradability:** Not Determined.  
**Accumulation:** Not Determined.  
**Ecotoxicity:** Not Determined.  
**Other Adverse Effects:** Not Determined.

### Section 13 Disposal Considerations

Dispose of in accordance with all applicable regulations.

The conditions of handling, storage, and use of this product are beyond our control and may be beyond our knowledge. For this and other reasons, LA-CO Industries, Inc. does not assume responsibility and expressly disclaim liability for loss, damage or expense arising out of or in any way connected with the handling, storage, use or disposal of this product.

### Section 14 Transport Information

**D.O.T. (U.S.)**  
**Proper Shipping Name:** Not Regulated.  
**Hazard Class or Division:** Not Regulated.  
**Hazard Label:** Not Regulated.  
**I.D. Number:** Not Regulated..  
**TDG (Canada):** Not Regulated  
**IATA:** Not Regulated.  
**ICAO:** Not Regulated.  
**IMO:** Not Regulated.

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Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods

Dangerous Goods Class and Subsidiary Risk: Not Determined.

## Section 15

## Regulatory Information

### U.S.A.

**OSHA Hazard Status:** This product is not considered to be hazardous as defined by the U.S. OSHA HCS (29 CFR 1910.1200).

**EPA SARA sec. 311/312 Hazard Categories:** Not Applicable.

**Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA):** All ingredients contained in this product are listed on the U.S. EPA TSCA Chemical Substance Inventory.

**HMIS® Rating:** Health 1, Flammability 0, Reactivity 0

**NFPA® (704) Rating:** Health 0, Flammability 0, Reactivity 0

### CANADA

**WHMIS Status:** This product is not considered to be hazardous as defined by Canadian WHMIS Controlled Products Regulations.

**WHMIS Rating:** None. **WHMIS Risk Phrases:** None. **WHMIS Precautionary Statements:** None.

**Domestic Substances List (DSL):** All ingredients contained in this product are listed on the Canadian EPA (CEPA) Domestic Substances List (DSL).

### E.U.

**European Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances (EINECS):** All ingredients contained in this product are listed on the European Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances (EINECS).

**Categories of Danger (Labeling Information):** Not applicable

**Risk (R) Phrases:** Not applicable **Safety (S) Phrases:** Not applicable

### AUSTRALIA

**Worksafe Australia Status:** This product is not classified as hazardous according to criteria of Worksafe Australia.

**HAZCHEM Code:** None allocated. **Poisons Schedule Number:** None allocated.

Further regulatory information regarding individual ingredients, if applicable, may be found in Section 2.

This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the U.S. OSHA Hazard Communication Standard, the Canadian WHMIS Controlled Products Regulations, the British CHIP2 regulation 6, and the Australian NMRCWHS. This MSDS contains the information required by the above regulations and conforms to ANSI Z400.1-1993.

## Section 16

## Other Information

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**MSDS Prepared By:** Director of Chemical Safety

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