

**Safety Data Sheet (SDS)**

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**Product Description: FoxFarm Big & Chunky Perlite****SECTION 1: IDENTIFICATION****Product Identifier:** FoxFarm Big & Chunky Perlite**Product Description:** Horticultural perlite

**Manufacturer:** United Compost & Organics  
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**Emergency Telephone Number:** (707) 443-4369, M-F 8:30am–5:00pm PST.**SECTION 2: HAZARD(S) IDENTIFICATION****Classifications:**

Flammability – n/a  
Health – n/a  
Instability/Reactivity – n/a

**Pictograms:**

n/a – this product contains no hazardous materials

**Signal Word:**

n/a – this product contains no hazardous materials

**Hazard Statements:**

H316 Causes mild skin irritation  
H320 Causes eye irritation  
H335 May cause respiratory irritation

**Precautionary Statements:**

P261 Avoid breathing dust  
P304+P340 If inhaled: provide fresh air  
P305+P351+P338 If in eyes: rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses if present and easy to do – continue rinsing

**Storage:**

Store at ambient temperature in a dry location. Avoid creating unnecessary dust.

**Disposal:**

Waste of this product is not hazardous. Dispose of contents/containers in accordance with federal, state, and local regulations.



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#### SECTION 3: COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

**Chemical Characterization:** Substance

*THIS PRODUCT IS NOT CONSIDERED TO BE HAZARDOUS IN ACCORDANCE WITH OSHA HAZCOM STANDARD 29 CFR 1910.1200(G). This product is classified as a "nuisance dust" or "particulates not otherwise regulated".*

| Component        | CAS Number | %   |
|------------------|------------|-----|
| Expanded perlite | 93763-70-3 | 100 |
|                  |            |     |
|                  |            |     |
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|                  |            |     |
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#### SECTION 4: FIRST-AID MEASURES

**Inhalation:**

Remove from source of exposure to fresh air.

**Skin Contact:**

Thoroughly wash off skin with water.

**Eye Contact:**

Carefully flush eyes with large amounts of water. Remove contact lenses.

**Notes to Physician:**

Symptoms: Inhalation over long periods of high amounts of any nuisance dust may overload lung clearance mechanism, irritate mucous membranes and make lungs more vulnerable to respiratory disease. May cause minor irritation to the eyes in case of presence of foreign body.

#### SECTION 5: FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

**Suitable Extinguishing Media:**

Material is non-combustible.

**Specific Hazards During Fire Fighting:**

No further relevant information available.

**Special Protective Equipment for Fire Fighters:**

No special measures required.



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**Further Information:**

No further relevant information is available.

#### SECTION 6: ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

**Personal Precautions:**

No special measures required.

**Protective Equipment:**

Not normally necessary. If excessive dust is created use of an approved respirator or local exhaust is advised. Protective eyewear should be worn where dust levels are high enough to cause irritation.

**Environmental Precautions:**

Avoid discharge into lakes, streams or ponds.

**Methods of Containment and Cleanup**

Use methods to clean spill which avoid creating airborne dust.

#### SECTION 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE

**Precautions for Safe Handling:**

Inhalation of dust may irritate nose, throat, lungs and eyes. Avoid creating airborne dust. Wear personal protective equipment and clothing as necessary.

**Conditions for Safe Storage, Including Incompatibilities:**

Incompatible Materials: Hydrofluoric acid.  
Store at ambient temperature in a dry location.

**Further Information:**

Proper precautions are advised to prevent inhalation of excessive amounts of dust, and eye irritation.

#### SECTION 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

**Components with Occupational Exposure Limits** (lists that were valid at creation used as basis):

| Component     | CAS Number | Type      | Value   |
|---------------|------------|-----------|---|
| Nuisance dust | n/a        | OSHA PEL  | Respirable: 5mg/m <sup>3</sup> ; Total: 15mg/m <sup>3</sup> |
|               |            | ACGIH TLV | Respirable: 5mg/m <sup>3</sup> ; Total: 10mg/m <sup>3</sup> |

**Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)**

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Local exhaust advisable if excessive dust is created.

**Eye Protection:**

Protective eyewear should be worn where dust levels are high enough to cause irritation.

**Hand Protection:**

Not normally necessary.

**Skin and Body Protection:**

Normal work clothing.

**Respiratory Protection:**

If dust is created use a respirator approved for nuisance dust of this type.

**General Protective and Hygienic Practices:**

Appropriate respirator, eye protection and ventilation under conditions where excessive dust is created.

**SECTION 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES****Appearance:** Solid white granular particulate**Odor:** Odorless**Odor Threshold:** n/a**pH:** 6-9 (10% slurry in water)**Density:** Less than 10 lbs./ft.<sup>3</sup>**Solubility:** Insoluble**Melting Point/Freezing Point:** 2,100°F – 2,300°F**Initial Boiling Point and Boiling Range:** n/a**Danger of Explosion:** Material does not present an explosion hazard.**Flammability:** n/a**Flash Point:** n/a



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**Auto-Ignition Temperature:** n/a  
**Decomposition Temperature:** n/a  
**Vapor Pressure:** n/a  
**Vapor Density:** n/a  
**Evaporation Rate:** n/a  
**Viscosity:** n/a  
**Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water):** n/a

#### SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**Reactivity:** Hydrofluoric acid  
**Chemical Stability:** Material is stable under normal use and conditions.  
**Possibility of Hazardous Reactions:** Will react with hydrofluoric acid to produce toxic silicon tetrafluoride.  
**Hazardous Decomposition:** Will react with hydrofluoric acid to produce toxic silicon tetrafluoride.  
**Conditions to Avoid:** Keep away from hydrofluoric acid.  
**Incompatible Materials:** Hydrofluoric acid

#### SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Acute Toxicity**  
**Relevant Numerical Measure of Toxicity:**  
n/a  
**Likely Routes of Exposure:**  
n/a  
**Immediate Exposure Effects:**  
n/a  
**Delayed Exposure Effects:**  
n/a  
**Symptoms of Exposure:**  
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#### **Chronic Toxicity**

**Relevant Numerical Measure of Toxicity:**

n/a

**Likely Routes of Exposure:**

n/a

**Immediate Exposure Effects:**

n/a

**Delayed Exposure Effects:**

n/a

**Symptoms of Exposure:**

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#### **Carcinogenic Categories**

**IARC (International Agency for Research on Cancer):**

None of the ingredients are listed.

**NTP (National Toxicology Program):**

None of the ingredients are listed.

**OHSA (Occupational Health & Safety Administration):**

None of the ingredients are listed.

### **SECTION 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

**General Notes:**

Avoid discharge into lakes, streams or ponds.

### **SECTION 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

**Disposal:**

Dispose of container and unused contents in accordance with federal, state and local requirements.

**Further Information:**

Waste of this product is not defined as hazardous.

### **SECTION 14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

**General Notes:**

Not regulated for transport.



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##### **OSHA Hazards**

None of the ingredients are listed.

##### **TSCA (Toxic Substances Control Act)**

None of the ingredients are listed.

##### **California Prop. 65**

None of the ingredients are listed.

##### **SARA Hazards**

None of the ingredients are listed.

##### **EPA (Environmental Protection Agency)**

None of the ingredients are listed.

##### **TLV (Threshold Limit Value Established by ACGIH)**

None of the ingredients are listed.

##### **NIOSH (National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health)**

None of the ingredients are listed.

#### SECTION 16: OTHER INFORMATION

The information and recommendations provided in this Safety Data Sheet are accurate to the best of our knowledge, information and belief at the date of its publication. The information given is designed only as guidance for safe handling, use, processing, storage, transportation, disposal and release. The information relates only to the specific material designated and may not be valid for such material used in combination with any other materials or in any process, unless specified in the text. It is the responsibility of the user to determine applicability of this information and the suitability of the material or product for any particular purpose. Nothing herein shall be deemed to create warranty, expressed or implied, and shall not establish a legally valid contractual relationship.