



## Material Safety Data Sheet (Complies with 29 CFR 190.1200)

### IDENTITY (as used on label and list)

Emerald Creek Garnet® Abrasive Grains and Powders,  
Wes-Jet® Garnet Abrasives

### SECTION I – Company Identification

#### Manufacturer's Name

Emerald Creek Garnet Ltd.

#### Emergency Telephone Number

(208) 666-6000

#### Address (Street, City, State, Zip Code)

P.O. Box 190, Fernwood, ID 83830

#### Product Information

(208) 666-6000

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### SECTION II – Chemical Identity and Information on Ingredients

#### Specific Chemical Identity:

Emerald Creek Garnet® and Wes-Jet® Garnet are a natural mixture of ALMANDINE GARNET, having a chemical composition of  $Fe_3Al_2(SiO_4)_3$  with Mn and Mg in partial substitution for Fe in the formula, and other minerals. CAS No.: 1302-62-1 (Almandine).

#### Hazardous Ingredients:

The following substances are present and regulated by OSHA and ACGIH limits:

SUBSTANCE	WT.%	OSHA/ACGIH LIMIT IN USE*
Nuisance Dust	na	15 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Respirable Dust	na	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Crystalline Silica	<0.5%	0.10 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

\*If these levels are exceeded, adequate respiratory protection must be employed.

### SECTION III – Physical and Chemical Characteristics

#### Melting Point

Circa 1315°C

#### Specific Gravity (H<sub>2</sub>O = 1.0)

4.0 – 4.1

#### Solubility in Water

Insoluble

#### Appearance and Odor

Deep red to pink color; no odor

### SECTION IV – Fire and Explosion Hazard Data

#### Flash Point (method used)

Material is a non-flammable solid not applicable na na

#### Flammable Limits

#### LEL

#### UEL

#### Extinguishing Media

Use extinguishing media appropriate for the surrounding fire.

#### Special Fire Fighting Procedures

As appropriate to surrounding fire. Fire fighters should be protected from nuisance dust.

#### Unusual Fire and Explosion Hazards

None

### SECTION V – Reactivity Data

Stability ( ) Unstable

(x) Stable INERT

**Hazardous Decomposition or Byproducts:** None known

**Hazardous Polymerization** ( ) May Occur (x) Will Not Occur

**Incompatibility (materials to avoid):** None known

**Conditions to Avoid:** None known. Almandine Garnet is an inert, stable solid needing no special handling in normal use.

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**SECTION VI – Health Hazard Data** -----

Route(s) of Entry	Inhalation	Skin	Ingestion
	Possible	None	None

**Health Hazards (acute and chronic due to overexposure)**

Inhalation:	Dust may cause irritation of nasal and respiratory tract or coughing.
Eyes:	Dust may cause irritation.
Skin:	May cause abrasions. Dust may cause irritation.
Ingestion:	No known effects, however ingestion not recommended.

Carcinogenicity	NTP	IARC Monographs	OSHA Regulations
Crystalline Silica (quartz)	--	No. 42	0.1 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Contains less than 0.5%	--	na	

**Medical Conditions Generally Aggravated by Exposure**

Chronic bronchitis, emphysema and other lung diseases may be aggravated by exposure to nuisance dust.

**Emergency and First Aid Procedures**

EYE CONTACT:	Wash eyes with water to flush out dust particles.
SKIN CONTACT:	Wash affected area with soap and water.
INHALATION:	Remove from source of dust and obtain other medical assistance.
INGESTION:	Obtain medical assistance, if needed.

**SECTION VII – Precautions for Safe Handling and Use** -----**Steps to be Taken in Case Material is Released or Spilled**

NO SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS ARE NECESSARY. Sweep or vacuum material for disposal. Prevent generation of dust during clean up.

**Waste Disposal Methods**

Follow local, state and federal guidelines for disposal of inert solid waste.  
MATERIAL CONTAMINATED IN USE MAY REQUIRE SPECIAL HANDLING.

**Precautions to be Taken in Handling and Storage**

NONE --- Use good housekeeping practices to reduce dust; use approved hand, eye and respiratory protection when handling material.

**Other Precautions**

Use material ONLY for the purposes intended and incorporate methods of dust control to maintain airborne dust within federal or local TLV limits.

**SECTION VIII – Control Measures** -----**Respiratory Protection**

NIOSH/MSHA approved filters and air supplied hoods for blasters.

Ventilation	Local Exhaust	Mechanical (general)	Special	Other
Yes	Use when blast cleaning	Meet dust TLV	None	None

**Protection Gloves**

Leather, or equivalent – in use

**Eye Protection**

Safety glasses with side shields

**Other Protective Clothing or Equipment**

Hearing protection when working near blast cleaning operations.

**Work/Hygienic Practices**

Maintain a clean and safe work environment and monitor work practices.

**SECTION IX – Special Precautions and Comments**

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