



Subject: Questions related to OSHA Silica Rule

The following information is provided in response to your question about the new OSHA Silica Rule.

USG Product Information

USG has drafted and published new Safety Data Sheets for all our products and updated our packaging to contain all required pictograms and warning statements in compliance with OSHA's updated Hazard Communication Standard. Each USG Safety Data Sheet contains information on product composition, including crystalline silica if present, and recommendations for safe handling and use of the product by our customers. We regularly test the crystalline silica content of raw materials that are used in our product formulas. The current version of the Safety Data Sheet for each of our products can be found on www.USG.com.

OSHA Silica Rule Information

The details on the new OSHA Final Rule to Protect Workers from Exposure to Respirable Crystalline Silica ("OSHA Silica Rule"), can be found on the OSHA website at <https://www.osha.gov/silica/>. The OSHA website provides detailed information on the new compliance obligations established for the construction industry with respect to all construction materials that might contain silica. This includes the [Small Entity Compliance Guide for the Respirable Crystalline Silica Standard for Construction](#) .

Additional information can also be found at **The Center for Construction Research and Training - Work Safely with Silica** website at <http://www.silica-safe.org/>.

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