



# Material Safety Data Sheet

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## 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

**Product Name** BENJAMIN MOORE AURA SEMI-GLOSS  
**Product Code** 528  
**Color** All  
**Product Class** WATER THINNED PAINT

**Manufacturer** Benjamin Moore & Co.  
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## 2. COMPOSITION INFORMATION ON COMPONENTS

### Hazardous Components

Chemical Name	CAS-No	Weight % (max)
Titanium dioxide	13463-67-7	25
Limestone	1317-65-3	5
Kaolin	1332-58-7	5
Silica, amorphous	7631-86-9	5

## 3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### Emergency Overview

Vapors may be irritating to eyes, nose, throat, and lungs. May cause skin irritation and/or dermatitis.

**Appearance** liquid

**Odor** little or no odor

### OSHA Regulatory Status

While this material is not considered hazardous by the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200), this MSDS contains valuable information critical to the safe handling and proper use of the product. This MSDS should be retained and available for employees and other users of this product.

### Potential Health Effects

**Principal Routes of Exposure** Eye contact, skin contact and inhalation.

### Acute Effects

<b>Eyes</b>	May cause slight irritation.
<b>Skin</b>	Substance may cause slight skin irritation.
<b>Inhalation</b>	May cause irritation of respiratory tract.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Ingestion may cause gastrointestinal irritation, nausea, vomiting and diarrhea.
<b>Chronic Effects</b>	Repeated contact may cause allergic reactions in very susceptible persons.

See Section 11 for additional Toxicological information.

**Aggravated Medical Conditions** None known

**HMIS**            **Health:** 1\*            **Flammability:** 0            **Reactivity:** 0            **PPE:** -

#### HMIS Legend

0 - Minimal Hazard

1 - Slight Hazard

2 - Moderate Hazard

3 - Serious Hazard

4 - Severe Hazard

\* - Chronic Hazard

X - Consult your supervisor or S.O.P. for "Special" handling instructions.

*Note: The PPE rating has intentionally been left blank. Choose appropriate PPE that will protect employees from the hazards the material will present under the actual normal conditions of use.*

*Caution: HMIS® ratings are based on a 0-4 rating scale, with 0 representing minimal hazards or risks, and 4 representing significant hazards or risks. Although HMIS® ratings are not required on MSDSs under 29 CFR 1910.1200, Benjamin Moore & Co., has chosen to provide them. HMIS® ratings are to be used only in conjunction with a fully implemented HMIS® program by workers who have received appropriate HMIS® training. HMIS® is a registered trade and service mark of the NPCA. HMIS® materials may be purchased exclusively from J. J. Keller (800) 327-6868.*

## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

<b>General Advice</b>	No hazards which require special first aid measures.
<b>Eye Contact</b>	Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and consult a physician.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with soap and plenty of water removing all contaminated clothes and shoes.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Move to fresh air. If symptoms persist, call a physician.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Clean mouth with water and afterwards drink plenty of water. Consult a physician if necessary.
<b>Notes To Physician</b>	Treat symptomatically

## 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

<b>Suitable Extinguishing Media</b>	Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.
<b>Protective Equipment And Precautions For Firefighters</b>	As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear.

<b>Specific Hazards Arising From The Chemical</b>	Closed containers may rupture if exposed to fire or extreme heat.
<b>Sensitivity To Mechanical Impact</b>	No
<b>Sensitivity To Static Discharge</b>	No
<b>Flash Point Data</b>	
Flash Point (°F)	Not applicable
Flash Point (°C)	Not applicable
Flash Point Method	Not applicable
<b>Flammability Limits In Air</b>	
Lower Explosion Limit	Not available
Upper Explosion Limit	Not available

**NFPA**      Health: 1      Flammability: 0      Instability: 0      Special: -

**NFPA Legend**

- 0 - Not Hazardous
- 1 - Slightly
- 2 - Moderate
- 3 - High
- 4 - Severe

*The ratings assigned by Benjamin Moore & Co. are only suggested ratings, the contractor/employer has ultimate responsibilities for NFPA ratings where this system is used.*

*Additional information regarding the NFPA rating system is available from the National Fire Protection Agency (NFPA) at [www.nfpa.org](http://www.nfpa.org).*

## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

<b>Personal Precautions</b>	Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Ensure adequate ventilation.
<b>Environmental Precautions</b>	Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so.
<b>Methods For Clean-Up</b>	Soak up with inert absorbent material. Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal.
<b>Other Information</b>	None known

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

<b>Handling</b>	Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Avoid breathing vapors, spray mists or sanding dust. In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment.
<b>Storage</b>	Keep container tightly closed. Keep out of the reach of children.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

**Exposure Limits**

**Hazardous Components**

Chemical Name	ACGIH	OSHA
Titanium dioxide	TWA: 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	PEL 15 mg/m <sup>3</sup> Total dust.
Limestone	N/E	PEL 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> Respirable fraction. PEL 15 mg/m <sup>3</sup> Total dust.
Kaolin	TWA: 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup> Respirable fraction.	PEL 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> Respirable fraction. PEL 15 mg/m <sup>3</sup> Total dust.
Silica, amorphous	N/E	N/E

**Legend**

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists Exposure Limits

OSHA - Occupational Safety &amp; Health Administration Exposure Limits

N/E - Not Established

**Engineering Measures**

Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas.

**Personal Protective Equipment****Eye/Face Protection**

Safety glasses with side-shields.

**Skin Protection**

Protective gloves and impervious clothing.

**Respiratory Protection**

In case of insufficient ventilation wear suitable respiratory equipment.

**Hygiene Measures**

Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Remove and wash contaminated clothing before re-use. Wash thoroughly after handling.

**9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

<b>Appearance</b>	liquid
<b>Odor</b>	little or no odor
<b>Density (lbs/gal)</b>	8.971 - 10.758
<b>Specific Gravity</b>	1.077 - 1.292
<b>pH</b>	8.6 - 8.8
<b>Viscosity (centistokes)</b>	0
<b>Evaporation Rate</b>	Not available
<b>Vapor Pressure</b>	Not available
<b>Vapor Density</b>	Not available
<b>Wt. % Solids</b>	41.7 - 53.6
<b>Vol. % Solids</b>	36.1 - 38.9
<b>Wt. % Volatiles</b>	46.4 - 58.3
<b>Vol. % Volatiles</b>	61.1 - 63.9
<b>VOC (g/L)</b>	< 50.0
<b>Boiling Point (°F)</b>	212
<b>Boiling Point (°C)</b>	100
<b>Freezing Point (°F)</b>	32
<b>Freezing Point (°C)</b>	0
<b>Flash Point (°F)</b>	Not applicable
<b>Flash Point (°C)</b>	Not applicable
<b>Flash Point Method</b>	Not applicable
<b>Upper Explosion Limit</b>	Not available
<b>Lower Explosion Limit</b>	Not available

## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

<b>Chemical Stability</b>	Stable under normal conditions.
<b>Conditions To Avoid</b>	Prevent from freezing
<b>Incompatible Materials</b>	No materials to be especially mentioned.
<b>Hazardous Decomposition Products</b>	None under normal use.
<b>Possibility Of Hazardous Reactions</b>	None under normal conditions of use.

## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Acute Toxicity

#### **Product**

No information available

#### **Component**

##### Titanium dioxide

LD50 Oral: > 24000 mg/kg (Rat)

LD50 Dermal: > 10000 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (Rabbit)

LC50 Inhalation (Dust): > 6.82 mg/L (Rat, 4 hr.)

##### Limestone

LD50 Oral: 6,450 mg/kg (Rat) vendor data

##### Kaolin

LD50 Oral: > 5000 mg/kg (Rat)

##### Silica, amorphous

LD50 Oral: > 10000 mg/kg (Rat)

LD50 Dermal: 2,000 mg/kg (Rabbit)

LC50 Inhalation (Dust): > 2 mg/L

### Chronic Toxicity

#### **Carcinogenicity**

*The information below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen:*

Chemical Name	ACGIH	IARC	NTP	OSHA Carcinogen
Titanium dioxide		2B Possible carcinogen.		
Silica, amorphous		3 Classification not possible from current data.		

**Legend**

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists  
 IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer  
 NTP - National Toxicity Program  
 OSHA - Occupational Safety & Health Administration

## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Ecotoxicity Effects****Product**

Acute Toxicity to Fish  
 No information available

Acute Toxicity to Aquatic Invertebrates  
 No information available

Acute Toxicity to Aquatic Plants  
 No information available

**Component**

Acute Toxicity to Fish  
 No information available

Titanium dioxide  
 LC50: >1000 mg/L (Fathead Minnow - 96 hr.)

Acute Toxicity to Aquatic Invertebrates  
 No information available

Acute Toxicity to Aquatic Plants  
 No information available

## 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

**Waste Disposal Method**

Dispose of in accordance with federal, state, and local regulations. Dry, empty containers may be recycled in a can recycling program. Local requirements may vary, consult your sanitation department or state-designated environmental protection agency for more disposal options.

## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

**DOT** Not regulated

**ICAO / IATA** Not regulated

**IMDG / IMO** Not regulated

## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

### International Inventories

**United States TSCA** Yes - All components are listed or exempt.  
**Canada DSL** No - Not all of the components are listed.  
 One or more component is listed on NDSL.

### Federal Regulations

#### SARA 311/312 hazardous categorization

Acute Health Hazard	No
Chronic Health Hazard	Yes
Fire Hazard	No
Sudden Release of Pressure Hazard	No
Reactive Hazard	No

#### SARA 313

Section 313 of Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA). This product contains a chemical or chemicals which are subject to the reporting requirements of the Act and Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 372:

*This product may contain trace amounts of (other) SARA reportable chemicals. Contact Benjamin Moore & Co. for further information.*

#### Clean Air Act, Section 112 Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs) (see 40 CFR 61)

This product contains the following HAPs:

*This product may contain trace amounts of (other) HAPs chemicals. Contact Benjamin Moore & Co. for further information.*

### State Regulations

#### California Proposition 65

*This product may contain small amounts of materials known to the state of California to cause cancer or reproductive harm.*

#### State Right-to-Know

Chemical Name	Massachusetts	New Jersey	Pennsylvania	Louisiana	Rhode Island
Titanium dioxide	X	X	X		X
Limestone	X		X		X
Kaolin	X		X		X
Silica, amorphous	X	X	X		

#### **Legend**

X - Listed

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**16. OTHER INFORMATION**

**WARNING!** If you scrape, sand, or remove old paint, you may release lead dust. LEAD IS TOXIC. EXPOSURE TO LEAD DUST CAN CAUSE SERIOUS ILLNESS, SUCH AS BRAIN DAMAGE, ESPECIALLY IN CHILDREN. PREGNANT WOMEN SHOULD ALSO AVOID EXPOSURE. Wear a NIOSH approved respirator to control lead exposure. Clean up carefully with a HEPA vacuum and a wet mop. Before you start, find out how to protect yourself and your family by contacting the National Lead Information Hotline at 1-800-424-LEAD or log on to [www.epa.gov/lead](http://www.epa.gov/lead).

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