

# Hess Grade $\frac{3}{8}$ x #8

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## PARTICLE SIZE SPECIFICATION GRADE $\frac{3}{8}$ x No.8

SIZE		ALLOWABLE PERCENT PASSING
MICRON	U.S. MESH	
9525	3/8	98-100
4750	4	30-75
2360	8	0-20
300	50	0-12
150	100	0-10

TEST METHOD: ASTM C136-06

## LOOSE BULK DENSITY GRADE $\frac{3}{8}$ x No.8

49.3 lbs/per cubic foot (ASTM C29)

## CHEMICAL ANALYSIS AND PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

**Chemical Name:** Amorphous Aluminum Silicate

### TYPICAL ANALYSIS

- Silicon Dioxide: 76.2%
- Aluminum Oxide: 13.5%
- Ferric Oxide: 1.1%
- Ferrous Oxide: 0.1%
- Sodium Oxide: 1.6%
- Potassium Oxide: 1.8%
- Calcium Oxide: 0.8%
- Titanium Oxide: 0.2%
- Magnesium Oxide: .05%
- Moisture: <1.0%
- Crystalline SiO<sub>2</sub>: None Detected

### GENERAL PROPERTIES

- Appearance: White powder
- Hardness (MOHS): 6
- pH: 7.2
- Radioactivity: None
- Softening Point: 900 degrees C
- Water Soluble Substances: 0.15%
- Loss on Ignition - 5%
- GE Brightness: 84
- Specific Gravity: 2.35
- Reactivity: Inert  
(except in the presence of calcium hydroxide or hydrofluoric acid)

## DESCRIPTION

Amorphous (non-crystalline) in structure and composed primarily of aluminum silicate, pumice is a naturally calcined volcanic glass foam consisting of highly vesicular strands permeated with tiny air bubbles. It is these frothy, friable glass vesicles that, when carefully refined to various grades, give pumice its unique and infinitely useful qualities.

## GRADE APPLICATIONS

**Used for:** horticultural applications—cacti, succulents, bonsai, soilless grow media (hydro- and aquaponics grow systems).

## PACKAGING OPTIONS

- 50 lb sacks (palletted)
- 2000 lb super sacks (palletted)
- Bulk shipped in rail car or tractor trailer

## DISTRIBUTOR NETWORK

We have stocking distributors in 23 countries on every continent except Antarctica, allowing us to deliver pumice quickly and economically worldwide.



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