



Safe Cutting, Fabrication and Handling Considerations



DO NOT REMOVE — LABEL MUST REMAIN AFFIXED TO SLAB UNTIL FABRICATION

Fjora is designed for indoor use, particularly kitchen countertops and bathroom vanities, with no provision for risk associated for finished, installed products. However, it is important to understand that quartz surfacing material can be extremely hazardous to your health if the following warnings and recommendations are not considered. Please read carefully.



RESPIRATORY SAFETY WARNING!

WARNING: RESPIRABLE CRYSTALLINE SILICA DUST HAZARD

Fjora quartz slabs contain crystalline silica. Cutting, grinding, drilling, and similar processes can generate respirable dust with silica, posing an inhalation hazard. Workers exposed to this dust risk developing serious respiratory conditions like silicosis, lung cancer, and kidney disease.

Fabricators are required to comply with all relevant regulations, including OSHA's silica standard (www.osha.gov/silica-crystalline), to protect workers from exposure to respirable crystalline silica. OSHA mandates that employers take specific measures to safeguard workers, including:

- Reducing dust exposure through effective engineering controls and safe work practices.
- Using water during fabrication processes such as cutting, grinding, and polishing to control silica dust.
- Monitoring air quality to assess worker exposure to silica and addressing issues in line with OSHA guidelines.
- Providing respiratory protection when necessary, as outlined by OSHA.

For further information, refer to the OSHA/NIOSH Hazard Alert on Worker Exposure to Silica during Countertop Manufacturing, Finishing, and Installation (www.osha.gov/sites/default/files/publications/OSHA3768.pdf).



DO NOT DRY CUT, GRIND, OR POLISH. ALWAYS USE WATER!

CA PROP 65 WARNING: THIS PRODUCT MAY EXPOSE YOU TO CHEMICALS, INCLUDING RESPIRABLE CRYSTALLINE SILICA (AIRBORNE DUST PARTICLES), WHICH IS RECOGNIZED BY THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AS A CAUSE OF CANCER, BIRTH DEFECTS, OR OTHER REPRODUCTIVE HARM. FOR MORE DETAILS, VISIT P65WARNINGS.CA.GOV.



HANDLING SAFETY WARNING!



WARNING: HEAVY OBJECT

Improper handling of heavy stone slabs can result in severe injury or death. Always use a mechanical lift or an adequate number of workers to safely transport the slab.



CAUTION: TIPPING HAZARD

Stand behind or beside A-frames to stay out of the fall zone. Securely fasten slabs to A-frames, tip-carts and piece carts during forklift use, hand cart rolling or film removal.



IMPORTANT: SLAB INSPECTION

Inspect the slabs upon receipt before fabrication and report any issues. Remove plastic film before fabricating by laying the slab flat or securing to an A-frame to prevent tipping.