

Shortite - $\text{Na}_2\text{Ca}_2(\text{CO}_3)_3$

Hardness: 3. Cleavage: Distinct/good. Attacked by water. Rapidly soluble in acids probably with mild to vigorous effervescence. Hygroscopic (?); store in sealed container (over desiccant?).

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