

#### SAFETY DATA SHEET

(Following Regulations (EC) No 1907/2006 & (EC) No 1272/2008)

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## 1 - Identification of product

## 1.1 - Identification of Product

Tradenames: Silwool,

Vacuum formed shape containing mineral fibre with inorganic and organic binders

## 1.2 - Use of Product

Condensing boiler insulation

# 1.3 - Identification of Company

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# 1.4 - Emergency information

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## 2 - Hazard Identification

## 2.1 - Classification of the substance/ mixture

2.1.1 CLASSIFICATION ACCORDING TO REGULATION (EC) NO 1272/2008

Not classified as hazardous according to Classification, Labelling and Packaging regulations (CLP) 1272/2008 EEC

## 2.2 - Labelling Elements

No labelling required as product is considered an article under REACH and CLP regulations.

## 2.3 - Other hazards which do not result in classification

Mild mechanical irritation to skin, eyes and upper respiratory system may result from exposure. These effects are usually temporary

# 3 - Composition / Information On Ingredients

This vacuum-formed insulation is based on silica fibre and is resistant to acid attacks.

COMPONENT	% by weight	CAS No.	REACH Registration Number	Hazard Classification according to CLP
Fibrous silicate	70-90	1343-98-2 (SiO2 part)	Not applicable	Not classified as hazardous
Starch	<5	9005-25-8	Not yet available	Not classified as hazardous
Inert inorganic material	15-25	7631-86-9	01-2119379499- 16	Not classified as hazardous

None of the components are radioactive under the terms of European Directive Euratom 96/29.

## 4 - First-Aid measures

## 4.1 - Description of First Aid Measures.

#### Skii

Handling of this material may generate mild mechanical temporary skin irritation. If this occurs, rinse affected areas with water and wash gently. Do not rub or scratch exposed skin.

#### Eyes

In case of eye contact flush abundantly with water; have eye bath available. Do not rub eyes. Seek medical attention is irritation persists.

#### Nose and Throat

If these become irritated move to a dust free area, drink water and blow nose. Seek medical attention if irritation persists.

If symptoms persist, seek medical advice.

# 4.2 - Most Important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

No symptoms or effects expected either acute or delayed

## 4.3 - Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment required

No special treatment required, if exposure occurs wash exposed areas to avoid irritation.

# 5 - Fire-fighting measures

#### 5.1 - Extinguishing media

Use extinguishing agent suitable for surrounding combustible materials.

#### 5.2 - Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Non combustible products. However, virgin product binder may burn and produce gases and/or fumes.

#### 5.3 - Advice for firefighters

Packaging and surrounding materials may be combustible.

# 6 - Accidental Release Measures

## 6.1 - Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Where abnormally high dust concentrations occur, provide workers with appropriate protective equipment as detailed in section 8.

Restrict access to the area to a minimum number of workers required.

Restore the situation to normal as quickly as possible.

#### 6.2 - Environmental precautions

Prevent further dust dispersion for example by damping the materials.

Do not flush spillage to drain and prevent from entering natural watercourses.

Check for local regulations, which may apply

## 6.3 - Methods and materials for containment and clean up

Pick up large pieces and use a vacuum cleaner.

If brushes are used, ensure that the area is wetted down first.

Do not use compressed air for clean up.

Do not allow to become windblown.

## 6.4 - Reference to other sections

For further information, please refer to sections 7 and 8

## 7 - Handling and storage

# 7.1 - Precautions for safe handling

Handling can be a source of dust emission and therefore the processes should be designed to limit the amount of handling. Whenever possible, handling should be carried out under controlled conditions (i.e., using dust exhaust system).

Regular good housekeeping will minimise secondary dust dispersal.

## 7.2 - Conditions for safe storage

Store in original packaging in a dry area. Always use sealed and clearly labelled containers. Avoid damaging containers.

Reduce dust emission during unpacking.

## 7.3 - Specific end use

The main application of these products is as thermal insulation. Please refer to your local Morgan Thermal Ceramics' supplier.

# 8 - Risk Management Measures / Exposures Controls / Personal Protection

#### 8.1 - Control parameters

Industrial hygiene standards and occupational exposure limits vary between countries and local jurisdictions. Check which exposure levels apply to your facility and comply with local regulations. If no regulatory dust or other standards apply, a qualified industrial hygienist can assist with a specific workplace evaluation including recommendations for respiratory protection. Examples of national OELs (November 2014) are given in the table below.

COUNTRY		Resp Dust		
COUNTRI	(mg/m3)	(mg/m3)		
Austria	10	6	Grenzwerteverordnung	
Belgium	10	3	Valeurs limites d'exposition professionnelle – VLEP/ Grenswaarden voor beroepsmatige blootstelling	
			– GWBB	
Denmark	10	5	Grænseværdier for stoffer og materialer	
Finland	No limit	No limit	Finnish Ministry of Social Affairs and Health	
France	10	5	Institut National de Recherche et de Sécurité	
Germany*	10	1,25	TRGS 900	
Hungary	No limit	No limit	EüM-SZCSM rendelet	
Ireland	10	4	HAS – Ireland	
Italy	10	3	Uses EU values	
Luxembourg	10	6	Agents Chimiques, Cancérigènes Ou Mutagènes Au Travail	
Netherlands	10	5	SER	
Norway	10	5	Veiledning om administrative normer for forurensning i arbeidsatmosfære	
Poland	No limit	No limit	Dziennik Ustaw 2010	
Spain	10	3	INSHT	
Sweden	10	5	AFS 2005:17	
Switzerland	10	6	SUVA - Valeurs limites d'exposition aux postes de travail	
UK	10	4	EH40/2005	

#### Information on monitoring procedures

United Kingdom

MDHS 14/4 - "General methods for sampling and gravimetric analysis of respirable, thoracic and inhalable aerosols"

# NIOSH

NIOSH 0500 "Particulates not otherwise regulated, total"

NIOSH 0600 "Particulates not otherwise regulated, respirable"

# 8.2 - Exposure controls

# 8.2.1 APPROPRIATE ENGINEERING CONTROLS

Review your applications in order to identify potential sources of dust exposure.

Local exhaust ventilation, which collects dust at source, can be used. For example down draft tables, emission controlling tools and materials handling equipment.

Keep the workplace clean. Use a vacuum cleaner. Avoid brushing and compressed air.

If necessary, consult an industrial hygienist to design workplace controls and practices.

The use of products specially tailored to your application(s) will help to control dust. Some products can be delivered ready for use to avoid further cutting or machining. Some could be pretreated or packaged to minimise or avoid dust release during handling. Consult your supplier for further details

# 8.2.2 - Personal Protective Equipment

Wear gloves and work clothes, which are loose fitting at the neck and wrists. Soiled clothes should be cleaned to remove excess fibres before being taken off (e.g. use vacuum cleaner, not compressed air). Wash work clothes seperately from other clothing.

As necessary wear goggles or safety glasses with side shields.

## Respiratory protection:

For dust concentrations below the exposure limit value, RPE is not required but FFP2 respirators may be used on a voluntary basis.

For short-term operations where excursions are less than ten times the limit value use FFP2 respirators.

In case of higher concentrations or where the concentration is not known, please seek advice from your company and/or local Thermal Ceramics supplier.

# Information and training of workers

Workers should be trained on good working practices and informed on applicable local regulations.

# 8.2.3 - Environmental Exposure Controls

Refer to local, national or European applicable environmental standards for release to air water and soil.

For waste, refer to section13

# 9 - Physical and chemical properties

Information on basic physical and chemical properties Not applicable State White shape Not applicable Colour Odour None **Odour threshold** Not applicable Not applicable рΗ Melting point/freezing point > 1100°C Initial boiling point and boiling point range Not applicable Flash point Not applicable **Evaporation rate** Not applicable Flammability (solid, gas) Not applicable Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits Not applicable Not applicable Vapour pressure Vapour density Not applicable Relative density 200 - 300 kg/m<sup>3</sup> Solubility(ies) Not soluble in water Partition co-efficient: n-octanol/water Not applicable Not applicable **Auto-ignition temperature** Not applicable **Decomposition temperature** Viscosity Not applicable **Particle Characteristics** Not applicable **Explosive properties** Not applicable Oxidising properties Not applicable

## 10 - Stability and Reactivity

#### 10.1 - Reactivity

The product is stable

#### 10.2 - Chemical Stability

Stable under normal temperature conditions.

## 10.3 - Possibility of Hazardous Reactions

During first heating, oxidation products from the organic binder might be emitted in a temperature range from 180°C to 600°C. It is recommended to ventilate the room until gases and fumes have disappeared. Avoid exposure to high concentrations of gas or fumes.

#### 10.4 - Conditions to Avoid

Please refer to handling and storage advice in Section 7

#### 10.5 - Incompatible Materials

None

## 10.6 - Hazardous decomposition products

None

# 11 - Toxicological information

## Toxicokinetics, metabolism and distribution

# 11.1.1 BASIC TOXICOKINETICS

Exposure is predominantly by inhalation or ingestion, however, because of its large diameter, continuous glass filament is not respirable. Available toxicological information is as follows.

## 11.1.2 HUMAN TOXICOLOGICAL DATA

No specific information on human toxicology available at this time.

# 11.1 - Information on hazard classes as defined in Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

ACUTE TOXICITY

Lethal dose 50 % (LD50) / lethal concentration 50% (LC50): N.A.

CHRONIC TOXICITY

No effects reported

Like all man-made mineral fibres and some natural fibres, fibres contained in this product can produce a mild mechanical irritation resulting in temporary itching or rarely, in some sensitive individuals, in a slight temporary reddening. Unlike other irritant reactions this is not the result of allergy or chemical skin damage but is caused by mechanical effects.

## 12 - Ecological information

These products are inert materials that remain stable overtime.

No adverse effects of this material on the environment are anticipated.

#### 12.1 - Toxicity

These products are insoluble materials that remain stable overtime and are chemically identical to inorganic compounds found in the soil and sediment; they remain inert in the natural environment.

No adverse effects of this material on the environment are anticipated.

#### 12.2 - Persistence and degradability

Not established

#### 12.3 - Bioaccumulative potential

Not established

#### 12.4 - Mobility in soil

No information available

#### 12.5 - Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

This mixture contains no substance considered to be persistent, bioaccumulating nor toxic (PBT).

This mixture contains no substance considered to be very persistent and very bioaccumulative (vPvB).

#### 12.6 - Endocrine Disrupting Properties

No additional information available

#### 12.7 - Other adverse effects

#### 13 - Disposal Considerations

Waste from these materials may be generally disposed off at a landfill, which has been licensed for this purpose. Please refer to the European list (Decision N° 2000/532/CE as modified) to identify your appropriate waste number, and ensure national and/or regional regulations are complied with.

Unless wetted, such a waste is normally dusty and so should be properly sealed in containers for disposal. At some authorised disposal sites, dusty waste may be treated differently in order to ensure they are dealt with promptly to avoid them being windblown. Check for any national and/or regional regulations, which may apply.

#### 14 - Transport information

#### 14.1. UN number

Not Applicable

## 14.2. UN proper shipping name

Not Applicable

# 14.3. Transport hazard class(es)

Not Applicable

# 14.4. Packing group

Not Applicable

# 14.5. Environmental hazards

Not Applicable

# 14.6. Special precautions for user

Not Applicable

# 14.7. Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code

Not Applicable

## 15 - Regulatory information

# 15.1 - Safety health and environment regulations/legislation specific for the substances or mixtures

EU regulations:

- Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 dated 18th December 2006 on Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH)
- Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 dated 20th January 2009 on classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures (OJ L 353)
- Annex of Regulation (EU) 2015/830
- Commission regulation (ÉC) No 790/2009 of 10 August 2009 amending, for the purposes of its adaptation to technical and scientific progress, Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council on classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures.
- The 1st Adaptation to Technical Progress (ATP) to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 enters into force on 25 September 2009.

## PROTECTION OF WORKERS

Shall be in accordance with several European Directives as amended and their implementations by the Member States:

- a) Council Directive 89/391/EEC dated 12 June 1989 "on the introduction of measures to encourage improvements in the safety and health of workers at work" (OJEC (Official Journal of the European Community) L 183 of 29 June 1989, p.1).
- b) Council Directive 98/24/EC dated 7 April 1998 "on the protection of workers from the risks related to chemical agents at work" (OJEC L 131 of 5 May 1998, p.11).

# OTHER POSSIBLE REGULATIONS

Member States are in charge of implementing European Directives into their own national regulation within a period of time normally given in the Directive. Member States may impose more stringent requirements. Please always refer to any national regulation.

## 15.2 - Chemical Safety Assessment

Chemical Safety Reports have been requested from suppliers, as soon as this information is available it will be shared with downstream users.

## 16 - Other Information

- (the directives which are cited must be considered in their amended version)

   Council Directive 89/391/EEC dated 12 June 1989 "on the introduction of measures to encourage improvements in the safety and health of workers at work" (OJEC L 183 of 29 June 1989, p.1).

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High concentrations of fibres and other dusts may be generated when after-service products are mechanically disturbed during operations such as wrecking. Therefore Morgan Thermal Ceramics

- a) control measures are taken to reduce dust emissions;
- b) all personnel directly involved wear an appropriate respirator to minimise exposure; and
- c) Compliance with local regulatory limits.

The trade association representing the European high temperature insulation wool industry (ECFIA) has undertaken an extensive hygiene programme for High Temperature Insulation Wool (HTIW). The objectives are twofold: (i) to monitor workplace dust concentrations at both manufacturiers' and customers' premises, and (ii) to document manufacturing and use of HTIW products from an industrial hygiene perspective in order to establish appropriate recommendations to reduce exposures. The initial results of the programme have been published. If you wish to participate in the CARE programme, contact ECFIA or your Thermal Ceramics' supplier.

For more information connect to:

The Morgan Thermal Ceramics' website: (http://www.morganthermalceramics.com/) Or ECFIA's website: (http://www.ecfia.eu)

#### **Revision Summary**

Update to Section 8

#### Technical data sheets

For more information on individual products please see the relevant technical data sheet listed below:

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