



## **4 - First-Aid measures**

### **4.1 - Description of First Aid Measures.**

#### **Skin**

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 if 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 the workers with appropriate protective equipment as detailed in section 8. 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.  
Emptied containers, which may contain debris, should be cleaned before disposal or recycling.  
Recyclable cardboard and/or plastic films are recommended for packaging.

### **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 exposure limits applying (in November 2014) in different countries are given below:

Country	MMVF	Source
Austria	1 f/ml	Grenzwerteverordnung
Belgium	10 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Valeurs limites d'exposition professionnelle – VLEP/ Grenswaarden voor beroepsmatige blootstelling – GWBB
Czech Republic	1 f/ml	
Denmark	1 f/ml	Grænseværdier for stoffer og materialer
Finland	1 f/ml	Finnish Ministry of Social Affairs and Health
France	1 f/ml	INRS
Germany*	1.25 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TRGS900
Hungary	1 f/ml	EüM-SZCSM rendelet
Ireland	1 f/ml	HAS - Eire
Italy	1 f/ml	
Luxembourg	1 f/ml	Règlement grand-ducal du 30 juillet 2002
Netherlands	1 f/ml	Social and Economic Council of the Netherlands
Norway	0.5 f/ml	Veiledning om administrative normer for forurensning i arbeidsatmosfære
Poland	2 f/ml	Dziennik Ustaw 2010
Spain	1 f/ml	INSHT
Sweden	1 f/ml	Hygieniska gränsvärden och åtgärder mot luftföroreningar
Switzerland	1 f/ml	SUVA
UK	2 f/ml	EH40/2005
GCC	1 f/ml	Abu Dhabi OSHAD
South Africa	5mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Regulation 1179 – Hazardous Chemical Substances 2007

#### Information on monitoring procedures

United Kingdom

MDHS 59 specific for MMVF: "Man-made mineral fibre - Airborne number concentration by phase-contrast light microscopy" and MDHS 14/4 "General methods for sampling and gravimetric analysis of respirable and inhalable dust"

NIOSH

NIOSH 0500 "Particulates not otherwise regulate, total"  
NIOSH 0600 "Particulates not otherwise regulate, respirable"  
NIOSH 7400 "Asbestos and other fibres by PCM"

### 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 pre-treated or packaged to minimise or avoid dust release during handling. Consult your supplier for further details

#### 8.2.2 - Personal Protective Equipment

Skin protection:

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 separately from other clothing.

Eye protection:

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

State	Not applicable
Colour	Pale green/yellow paper
Odour	Not applicable
Odour threshold	Slight
pH	Not Applicable
Melting point/freezing point	Not applicable
Initial boiling point and boiling point range	> 1000°C
Flash point	Not applicable
Evaporation rate	Not applicable
Flammability (solid, gas)	The material will burn for a short period only until the polymeric binder is burnt out or the resulting expansion self-extinguishes
Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits	Not applicable
Vapour pressure	Not applicable
Vapour density	Not Applicable
Relative density	130-250 kg/m <sup>3</sup>
Solubility(ies)	Not applicable
Partition co-efficient: n-octanol/water	Not applicable
Auto-ignition temperature	Not applicable
Decomposition temperature	Not Applicable
Viscosity	Not Applicable
Particle Characteristics	Not applicable
Explosive properties	Not applicable
Oxidising properties	Not applicable

## 10 - Stability and Reactivity

### 10.1 - Reactivity

The material is stable and non reactive.

### 10.2 - Chemical Stability

The product is inorganic, stable and inert

### 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

Concentrated mineral acids or bases

### 10.6 - Hazardous decomposition products

Decomposition of the polymeric binder will occur at temperatures above 200°C releasing smoke, water, carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide and hydrocarbons. The duration and the amount of release will depend upon the applied temperature, the thickness and area of the material and binder content. Removal of the binder will release the fibres unless they are physically constrained. During the first heating cycles increased ventilation or the use of suitable respirator protection may be required.

Hazardous polymerisation will not occur.

## 11 - Toxicological information

### Toxicokinetics, metabolism and distribution

#### 11.1.1 BASIC TOXICOKINETICS

Exposure is predominantly by inhalation or ingestion, available toxicological information is as follows:

#### 11.1.2 Human Toxicological data

##### RESPIRATORY TOXICITY FOR MINERAL WOOLS

Epidemiological studies did not show any health effects related to fibres among Mineral Wool manufacturing workers. The excess of lung cancers reported in 1982 have been the subject of additional investigations and the examination of the confounding factors showed that the excess were not attributed to fibres. Smoking has been identified as the most important of these confounding factors.

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

##### Experimental Studies for Mineral Wools

Animal inhalation studies on mineral wools showed neither pulmonary fibrosis nor lung cancer nor mesothelioma. Intratracheal and intraperitoneal injection studies did not show any disease except those involving selected fine glass fibres for special uses or experimental rock wools.

When tested using approved methods (as listed in Regulation (EC) 1907/2006, Annex 8, Section 8.1), fibres contained in this material give negative results. All man-made mineral fibres, like some natural fibres, can produce a mild irritation resulting in itching or rarely, in some sensitive individuals, in a slight 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

### 12.1 - Toxicity

These products are inert materials that remain stable overtime.  
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 insure 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 (EC) 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).
- 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)
- Council Directive 98/24/EC of 7 April 1998 "on the protection of the health and safety of workers from the risks related to chemical agents at work" (OJEC L 131 of 5 May 1998, p11).

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 recommends:

- 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.

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:

Product Datasheet Code 5-7-32-E

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