

1 . IDENTIFICATION: PRODUCT IDENTIFIER AND CHEMICAL IDENTITY

Product Name: SHEETROCK® Brand PAPER JOINT TAPE

Other Means of Identification: Mixture

Other Name: Cellulose Tape

Recommended Use of the Chemical and Restriction on Use: Tape

Details of Manufacturer or Importer:

USG Boral Building Products Pty Limited (ACN 004 231 976)
251 Salmon Street
Port Melbourne VIC 3207

Phone Number: 03 9214 2138

Emergency telephone number: National Poison Information Centre: 13 11 26

2 . HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Hazardous Nature:

Not classified as Hazardous according to the Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS) and Safe Work Australia criteria.

Not classified as Dangerous Goods according to the Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail. (7th edition)

Aquatic Chronic 3 H412 Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Signal Word Void

Hazard Statements

H412 Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Precautionary Statements

P273 Avoid release to the environment.

P501 Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national regulations.

3 . COMPOSITION AND INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Chemical Characterization: Mixtures

Description: No reportable hazardous substances or complex substances.

Hazardous Components: Void

4 . FIRST AID MEASURES

Inhalation: If inhaled, remove to fresh air. Seek medical attention if breathing problems develop.

Skin Contact:

In case of skin contact, immediately remove contaminated clothing and wash affected areas with water and soap. Seek medical attention if symptoms occur.

Eye Contact:

In case of eye contact, rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Seek medical attention.

Ingestion:

This product is not intended to be ingested or eaten. If gastric disturbance occurs, seek medical attention.

Symptoms Caused by Exposure:

Skin Contact: Direct contact may cause skin irritation.

Eye Contact: Direct contact may cause eye irritation.

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5 . FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Suitable Extinguishing Media: Water or some other extinguishing media appropriate for surrounding fire.

Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical:

If paper fiber or dust is dried to bone dry condition, a paper or cellulose dust explosion problem exists.

Special Protective Equipment and Precautions for Fire Fighters:

When fighting a major fire wear self-contained breathing apparatus and protective equipment.

6 . ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment and Emergency Procedures:

Wear appropriate personal protective equipment. Evacuate all non-essential personnel from affected area. Do not breathe dust. Ensure adequate ventilation.

Environmental Precautions:

In the event of a major spill, prevent spillage from entering drains or water courses.

Methods and Materials for Containment and Cleaning Up:

Collect the spilled material and place into containers for salvage or disposal.

7 . HANDLING AND STORAGE

Precautions for Safe Handling:

Use of safe work practices are recommended to avoid eye or skin contact and inhalation of dust. Food, beverages and tobacco products should not be stored or consumed where this material is in use. Always wash hands before smoking, eating, drinking or using the toilet. Wash contaminated clothing and other protective equipment before storage or re-use. Provide eyewash fountains and safety showers in close proximity to points of potential exposure.

Conditions for Safe Storage: Store in a cool, dry and well ventilated area. Protect from moisture and heat.

8 . EXPOSURE CONTROLS AND PERSONAL PROTECTION

Exposure Standards:

9004-34-6 Cellulose

NES	10 mg/m ³
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Quartz glass (inert)

NES	0.1 mg/m ³ respirable dust
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Engineering Controls:

If user operations generate exposures, use ventilation to keep exposure concentrations below permissible exposure limits. Where general ventilation is inadequate, use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to control exposure levels below permissible exposure limits.

Respiratory Protection:

Where an inhalation risk exists, wear a Class P1 (particulate) respirator. At high dust levels, wear a powered air purifying respirator (PAPR) with Class P3 (Particulate) filter or an air-line respirator or a full-face Class P3 (particulate) respirator. See Australian/New Zealand Standards AS/NZS 1715 and 1716 for more information.

Skin Protection:

Leather/pigskin, neoprene or nitrile gloves. See Australian/New Zealand Standard AS/NZS 2161 for more information.

When selecting hand protection, the product should comply with relevant performance criteria. For example, gloves should meet a suitable level of abrasion resistance to provide protection against hazards of a workplace.

Occupational protective clothing (depending on conditions in which it has to be used, in particular as regards

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the period for which it is worn, which shall be determined on the basis of the seriousness of the risk, the frequency of exposure to the risk, the characteristics of the workstation of each worker and the performance of the protective clothing). See Australian/New Zealand Standard AS/NZS 4501 for more information.

Eye and Face Protection:

Eye and face protectors for protection against dust. See Australian/New Zealand Standard AS/NZS 1337 for more information.

9 . PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance:

Form:	Manila paper in various widths
Colour:	No information available
Odour:	Low to no odour.
Odour Threshold:	Not determined.
pH-Value:	Not applicable.
Melting point/Melting range:	Not applicable
Initial Boiling Point/Boiling Range:	Not applicable
Flash Point:	Not determined.
Flammability:	Not determined.
Auto-ignition Temperature:	Not applicable
Decomposition Temperature:	Not determined.
Explosion Limits:	
Lower:	Not determined.
Upper:	Not determined.
Vapour Pressure:	Not applicable.
Density at 20 °C:	0.38 g/cm ³
Relative Density:	Not determined.
Vapour Density:	Not applicable.
Evaporation Rate:	Not applicable
Solubility in Water:	Not applicable
Organic solvents:	0.0 %
Solids content:	100.0 %

10 . STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Possibility of Hazardous Reactions: Hazardous polymerisation will not occur.

Chemical Stability: Stable at ambient temperature and under normal conditions of use.

Conditions to Avoid: Moisture and heat.

Incompatible Materials: No further relevant information available.

Hazardous Decomposition Products: No hazardous decomposition products known.

11 . TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Toxicity:

LD₅₀/LC₅₀ Values Relevant for Classification: No information available

Acute Health Effects

Inhalation: None known

Skin: None known

Eye: None known

Ingestion: None known

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Skin Corrosion / Irritation: Based on classification principles, the classification criteria are not met.

Serious Eye Damage / Irritation: Based on classification principles, the classification criteria are not met.

Respiratory or Skin Sensitisation: Based on classification principles, the classification criteria are not met.

Germ Cell Mutagenicity: Based on classification principles, the classification criteria are not met.

Carcinogenicity:

Silica dust, crystalline, in the form of quartz or cristobalite is classified by IARC as Group 1 - Carcinogenic to humans.

Reproductive Toxicity: Based on classification principles, the classification criteria are not met.

Specific Target Organ Toxicity (STOT) - Single Exposure:

Based on classification principles, the classification criteria are not met.

Specific Target Organ Toxicity (STOT) - Repeated Exposure:

Based on classification principles, the classification criteria are not met.

Aspiration Hazard: Based on classification principles, the classification criteria are not met.

Chronic Health Effects:

The prolonged and repeated exposure (by inhalation) to respirable (crystalline) silica cause silicosis, a debilitating lung disease. The crystalline silica dust is practically insoluble in body fluids and can be deposited in lungs. Cigarette smoking can reduce the clearance of crystalline silica. The data indicate that the relative lung cancer risk is increased for people with silicosis.

Existing Conditions Aggravated by Exposure: No information available

12 . ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity: This product has no known adverse effect on ecology.

Aquatic toxicity:

Harmful to aquatic organisms. May cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.

Persistence and Degradability: No further relevant information available.

Bioaccumulative Potential: No further relevant information available.

Mobility in Soil: No further relevant information available.

13 . DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Disposal Methods and Containers: Dispose according to applicable local and state government regulations.

Special Precautions for Landfill or Incineration:

Please consult your state Land Waste Management Authority for more information.

14 . TRANSPORT INFORMATION

UN Number Not applicable

Proper Shipping Name Not applicable

Dangerous Goods Class Not applicable

Packing Group: Not applicable

Marine pollutant: No

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15 . REGULATORY INFORMATION

Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances:

9004-34-6	Cellulose
14808-60-7	Quartz (SiO ₂)
1317-65-3	Limestone
10043-01-3	Sulfuric acid, aluminium salt (3:2)

Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Drugs and Poisons (SUSMP) - Poison Schedule:
Not Scheduled.

16 . OTHER INFORMATION

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Abbreviations and acronyms:

GHS: Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals

EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances

ELINCS: European List of Notified Chemical Substances

CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society)

IARC: International Agency for Research on Cancer

STEL: Short Term Exposure Limit

TWA: Time Weighted Average

NES: National Exposure Standard (Safe Work Australia - Workplace Exposure Standards For Airborne Contaminants)

Disclaimer

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