# CGC

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

#### 1. Identification

**Product identifier** 

CGC Sheetrock® Brand Glass-Mat Panels Mold Tough® Firecode® X

Other means of identification

SDS number

54001004004

Synonyms

Gypsum Panels, Drywall, Plasterboard, Wallboard

Recommended use

Interior use.

Recommended restrictions

Use in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations.

Manufacturer/Importer/Supplier/Distributor information

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## 2. Hazard(s) identification

Physical hazards

Not classified.

Health hazards

Not classified.

Environmental hazards

Not classified.

Label elements

Hazard symbol

None.

Signal word

None.

Hazard statement

None.

Precautionary statements

Prevention

Observe good industrial hygiene practices.

Response

Get medical attention/advice if you feel unwell.

Storage

Store as indicated in Section 7.

Disposal

Dispose of in accordance with federal, provincial and local regulations.

Other hazards

None known.

Supplemental information

None.

## 3. Composition/information on ingredients

#### **Mixtures**

The components are not hazardous or are below required disclosure limits.

Composition comments

The gypsum used to manufacture these panels contains respirable crystalline silica ranging up to 0.73 percent by weight, depending on source, as indicated by bulk sampling methods. Industrial hygiene testing using both personal and area sampling measured no detectable respirable crystalline silica when cutting the product by "score and snap," rotary saw, or circular saw. Good work practices which minimize the extent of dust generation should be followed.

# 4. First-aid measures

Inhalation

Dust irritates the respiratory system, and may cause coughing and difficulties in breathing. Move injured person into fresh air and keep person calm under observation. Get medical attention if symptoms persist.

Skin contact

Contact with dust: Rinse area with plenty of water. Get medical attention if irritation develops or

persists.

Eye contact

Dust in the eyes: Do not rub eyes. Flush thoroughly with water. If irritation occurs, get medical

assistance.

Ingestion

Rinse mouth. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.

Most important

symptoms/effects, acute and

delayed

Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

irritate throat and respiratory system and cause coughing.

Provide general supportive measures and treat symptomatically.

General information

Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved.

Use fire-extinguishing media appropriate for surrounding materials.

## 5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable extinguishing media

Unsuitable extinguishing

media

Specific hazards arising from

the chemical

Not a fire hazard.

Not applicable.

Special protective equipment and precautions for firefighters Selection of respiratory protection for firefighting: follow the general fire precautions indicated in the workplace. Self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective clothing must be worn in case of fire.

Under normal conditions of intended use, this material does not pose a risk to health. Dust may

Fire fighting equipment/instructions

Specific methods

Use standard firefighting procedures and consider the hazards of other involved materials.

Cool material exposed to heat with water spray and remove it if no risk is involved.

## 6. Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

See Section 8 of the SDS for Personal Protective Equipment.

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

No specific clean-up procedure noted. For waste disposal, see section 13 of the SDS.

**Environmental precautions** 

Avoid discharge to drains, sewers, and other water systems.

## 7. Handling and storage

Precautions for safe handling

Use work methods which minimise dust production. Avoid inhalation of dust and contact with skin and eyes. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment. Wash hands after handling. Observe good industrial hygiene practices. When moving board with a forklift or similar equipment, it is essential that the equipment be rated capable of handling the loads. The forks should always be long enough to extend completely through the width of the load. Fork spacing between supports should be one half the length of the panels or base being handled so that a maximum of 4' extends beyond the supports on either end.

Follow traditional building practices; such as management of water away from the interior of the structure to avoid the growth of mold, mildew and fungus. Remove any building products suspected of being exposed to sustained moisture and considered conducive to mold growth from the job site. Gypsum panels are very heavy, awkward loads posing the risk of severe back injury. Use proper lifting techniques.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated place. Store away from incompatible materials. Protect product from physical damage. Protect from weather and prevent exposure to sustained moisture. Gypsum Association literature (GA-801-07) recommends storing board flat to avoid damaging edges, warping the board and the potential safety hazards of the board falling over. However, in other situations, storing the board flat may cause a tripping hazard or exceed floor limit loads. If stacking board vertically, leave at least 4 inches from the wall to decrease the risk of falling board and no more than 6 inches to avoid too much lateral weight against the wall.

# 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

Occupational exposure limits

No exposure limits noted for ingredient(s).

Biological limit values

No biological exposure limits noted for the ingredient(s).

Appropriate engineering

controls

Provide sufficient ventilation for operations causing dust formation. Observe occupational

exposure limits and minimise the risk of exposure.

Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

Eye/face protection

Wear approved safety goggles.

Skin protection

Hand protection

It is a good industrial hygiene practice to minimise skin contact. For prolonged or repeated skin

contact use suitable protective gloves.

Other

Normal work clothing (long sleeved shirts and long pants) is recommended.

Respiratory protection

If engineering controls do not maintain airborne concentrations below recommended exposure limits (where applicable) or to an acceptable level (in countries where exposure limits have not been established), an approved respirator must be worn. Use a NIOSH/MSHA approved air purifying respirator as needed to control exposure. Consult with respirator manufacturer to determine respirator selection, use, and limitations. Use positive pressure air supplied respirator for uncontrolled releases or when air purifying respirator limitations may be exceeded. Follow respirator protection program requirements (OSHA 1910.134 and ANSI Z88.2) for all respirator use. Observe any medical surveillance requirements.

Thermal hazards

None.

General hygiene considerations

Always observe good personal hygiene measures, such as washing after handling the material and before eating, drinking, and/or smoking. Routinely wash work clothing and protective equipment to remove contaminants. Observe any medical surveillance requirements.

#### 9. Physical and chemical properties

**Appearance** 

Fiberglass face with gypsum core.

Physical state

Solid.

Form

Panel.

Colour

Gray to off-white. Low to no odour.

Not applicable.

Odour threshold

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Odour

6-8

Melting point/freezing point Initial boiling point and boiling Not applicable.

range

Not applicable.

Flash point

Not applicable.

**Evaporation rate** 

Not applicable.

Flammability (solid, gas)

Not applicable.

Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits

Flammability limit - lower

Not applicable.

Flammability limit - lower

Not applicable.

Flammability limit - upper

(%) temperature

Not applicable.

(%)

Flammability limit - upper

(%) temperature

Not applicable.

Explosive limit - lower (%)

Not applicable.

Explosive limit - lower (%)

Not applicable.

temperature

Explosive limit - upper

Not applicable.

Explosive limit - upper (%)

temperature

Not applicable.

Vapour pressure

Not applicable.

Vapour density Relative density Not applicable. 2.32 (Gypsum) (H2O=1)

Solubility(ies)

Solubility (water)

Auto-ignition temperature

0.26 g/100 g (H2O)

Partition coefficient

Not applicable.

(n-octanol/water)

Not applicable.

**Decomposition temperature** 

1450 °C (2642 °F)

Viscosity

Not applicable.

Other information

**Bulk density** 

740 kg/m3 (46 lb/ft3)

**Explosive limit** 

Not applicable.

Flammability

Not applicable.

Flammability class

Not applicable.

Particle size

Varies.

VOC (Weight %)

0 %

#### 10. Stability and reactivity

Reactivity

The product is stable and non reactive under normal conditions of storage and transport.

Chemical stability

Material is stable under normal conditions.

Possibility of hazardous

Hazardous polymerisation does not occur.

reactions

Contact with incompatible materials.

Conditions to avoid Incompatible materials

Strong oxidising agents. Strong acids.

Hazardous decomposition

products

Calcium oxides, carbon dioxide, and carbon monoxide.

#### 11. Toxicological information

Information on likely routes of exposure

Inhalation Mechanical processing may generate dust. Gypsum dust has an irritant action on mucous

membranes of the upper respiratory tract and eyes (1).

Skin contact Under normal conditions of intended use, this material does not pose a skin hazard. Gypsum was

not found to be a skin irritant (2).

Eye contact Mechanical processing may generate dust. Direct contact with eyes may cause temporary

irritation (1).

Ingestion Not likely, due to the form of the product.

Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics Under normal conditions of intended use, this material does not pose a risk to health.

Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity

Low hazard.

Skin corrosion/irritation

Gypsum was not found to be a skin irritant (2).

Serious eye damage/eye

irritation

Gypsum does not cause serious eye damage or irritation.

Respiratory or skin sensitisation

Respiratory sensitisation

No data available, but based on results from the skin sensitization study, calcium sulfate is not

expected to be a respiratory sensitizer.

Skin sensitisation

Not a skin sensitizer (2).

Germ cell mutagenicity

No evidence of mutagenic potential exists (3,4,5).

Carcinogenicity

Reproductive toxicity

No evidence of carcinogenic potential exists (6). No evidence of reproductive toxicity exists (2).

Specific target organ toxicity -

single exposure

Not toxic to lung tissue.

Specific target organ toxicity repeated exposure Not toxic to lung tissue (6).

Aspiration hazard

Due to the physical form of the product it is not an aspiration hazard.

Further information

Pre-existing skin and respiratory conditions including dermatitis, asthma and chronic lung disease

might be aggravated by exposure.

## 12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity The product components are not classified as environmentally hazardous. However, this does not

exclude the possibility that large or frequent spills can have a harmful or damaging effect on the

environment.

Persistence and degradability Not applicable for the salt of inorganic compounds. Calcium sulfate dissolves in water without

undergoing chemical degradation.

Bioaccumulative potential

Bioaccumulation is not expected.

Mobility in soil

Calcium sulfate has a low potential for adsorption to soil. If water is applied, gypsum dissolves and

the calcium and sulfate ions are mobile and penetrate the subsoil (7).

Other adverse effects None expected.

## 13. Disposal considerations

Disposal instructions

Dispose of in accordance with federal, provincial and local regulations. Recycle responsibly.

Local disposal regulations

Dispose of in accordance with local regulations.

Hazardous waste code

Contaminated packaging

Not regulated.

Waste from residues / unused

Dispose of in accordance with local regulations.

products

Dispose of in accordance with local regulations.

#### 14. Transport information

TDG

Not regulated as dangerous goods.

IATA

Not regulated as dangerous goods.

IMDG

Not regulated as dangerous goods.

Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code Not applicable. This product is a solid. Therefore, bulk transport is governed by IMSBC code.

#### 15. Regulatory information

Canadian regulations

This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the HPR and the SDS contains all the information required by the HPR.

#### **Controlled Drugs and Substances Act**

Not regulated.

Export Control List (CEPA 1999, Schedule 3)

Not listed.

**Greenhouse Gases** 

Not listed.

**Precursor Control Regulations** 

Not regulated.

#### International regulations

Stockholm Convention

Not applicable.

**Rotterdam Convention** 

Not applicable.

Kyoto protocol

Not applicable.

**Montreal Protocol** 

Not applicable.

**Basel Convention** 

Not applicable.

#### 16. Other information

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#### Further information

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The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) in June, 1987, categorized continuous filament glass fibers as not classifiable with respect to human carcinogenicity (Group 3). The evidence from human as well as animal studies was evaluated by IARC as insufficient to classify continuous filament glass fiber as a possible, probable, or confirmed cancer causing material. The ACGIH has established a TLV (Threshold Limit Value or recommended exposure limit) for continuous filament glass fiber of 1 fiber per cubic centimeter of air for respirable fibers and 5 mg per cubic meter of air for inhalable glass fiber dust. These levels were established to prevent mechanical irritation of the upper airways. IARC, NTP (US National Toxicology Program) and OSHA (US Occupational Safety and Health Administration) do not list continuous filament glass fibers as a carcinogen.

As manufactured, continuous filament glass fibers in this product are not respirable. Continuous filament glass products that are chopped, crushed or severely mechanically processed during manufacturing or use may contain a very small amount of respirable particulate, some of which may be glass shards.

Hazard Scale: 0 = Minimal 1 = Slight 2 = Moderate 3 = Serious 4 = Severe

NFPA ratings

Health: 1 Flammability: 0 Instability: 0

NFPA ratings



# List of abbreviations

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NFPA: National Fire Protection Association.

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