

SAFETY DATA SHEET

Promat

Trade name: MASTERBOARD®

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1. Identification of the product and of the company

Product name: MASTERBOARD®
Intended Product use: Self-supporting calcium silicate board used for general building purposes
Company
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2. Hazard Identification

Indication of the hazards: The installed product in its final application: no hazards known. Not classified as hazardous or dangerous according to 67/548/EEC or 1999/45/EC
By machining (drilling, cutting, sanding, etc.) the product: airborne dust can be released.

- As with most types of nuisance dust, excessive inhalation of dust may cause irritation of the airways.
- Eye contact with dust may lead to transient eye irritation or inflammation.
- Prolonged skin contact may lead to skin irritation.
- Long term hazards: see section 11
- The handling and machining of this product may lead to the release of quartz containing dust. However, for this product, with exposure assessments performed by accredited European laboratories using reference workplace monitoring methods, any quartz levels in the respirable dust were below the detection limit. The inhalation of quartz from occupational / workplace sources may lead to chronic lung disease (silicosis) and an increased risk of cancer. According to the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC Monographs 1997) "Crystalline silica inhaled in the form of quartz or cristobalite from occupational / workplace sources is carcinogenic to humans (Group 1).

Specific risk information for humans and environment: see section 7 and 8

3. Composition / Information on ingredients

Description: Calcium Silicate board in large dimensions.
Chemical characterisation This product is a manufactured article, not a substance nor a preparation.

Ingredient	CAS nr.	EC nr.	R phrases
Calcium Silicate Hydrate	1344-95-2	215-710-8	-
Wollastonite	13983-17-0	237-772-5	-
Perlite	93-763-70-3	-	-
Quartz	14808-60-7	238-878-4	-
Cellulose	65996-61-4	265-995-8	-

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4. First aid measures

Inhalation: remove to fresh air and drink water
Ingestion: drink water
Skin contact: rinse the skin with water
Eye contact: do not rub the eye, rinse out with water. If eye irritation or inflammation persists, seek medical advice.

5. Fire fighting measures

Additional Information: The product is a non-combustible board, according to the local non-combustibility standard.

6. Accidental spill / release measures

Methods for cleaning up: Shovel up small pieces. Dampen down any dust before putting into appropriate skips

7. Handling and storage

Handling:

- Instructions for handling and machining
- Dust, generated during machining and processing must be exhausted and the regulatory Workplace Exposure Limits for total and respirable dust must be respected.
- Work in a well ventilated area
- Use tools with appropriate dust exhaust equipment
- Use always respiratory protective equipment when exposures are likely or can be foreseen to exceed the Workplace Exposure Limits (refer to local regulations).
- Collect dust with a vacuum cleaner or soak with water before sweeping up.

Storage: Store in dry, covered and frost proof area.

8. Exposure controls / Personal protection

EXPOSURE LIMIT VALUES

When machining (drilling, cutting, sanding, etc.) boards, respect Workplace Exposure Limits (WEL) for inhalable and respirable dust and for respirable quartz dust. Check the latest Workplace Exposure Limits (WEL) for airborne contaminants that are applicable in your country.

Typical Workplace Exposure Limits (8hrs TWA) on the date of issue of this document are:

In mg/m ³	Fraction	COUNTRY	
		UK	IE
Particles NOR (1)	Inhalable	10	10
	Respirable	4	4
Quartz (2)	Respirable	0,1	0.05

(1) Particles NOR: particles not otherwise classified or regulated (nuisance dust).

Applies for all other components in the product.

(2) Quartz – CAS number: 14808 - 60 - 7

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EXPOSURE CONTROLS

Occupational exposure controls:

Ensure vacuum dust exhaust with correct filter when using motorised machining tools.

Individual protection measures:

Avoid breathing dusts
Avoid eye and skin contact
Wear personal protective equipment appropriate to the task (see below)

- **Respiratory protection:** Use appropriate individual respiratory equipment when exposures are likely or can be foreseen to exceed the Workplace Exposure Limits (e.g. for exposures up to 10 times the WEL use at least a P2 type duct mask. For higher exposure, use a P3 type mask).
- **Eye protection:** Use safety glasses whenever tools are used and dusts are produced
- **Skin/hand protection** Use working clothes and gloves to protect against mechanical injury and direct skin contact

9. Physical and chemical properties

Appearance: board
Colour: off-white

Odour: None

Important safety parameters:

Relative density: ca. 950 kg/m³
Solubility:
- **water solubility:** insoluble
pH value: 7 – 10 (when taken into an aqueous solution)
Information on other properties Not applicable

10. Stability and reactivity Nothing to report

11. Toxicological information

Acute toxicity: These Calcium Silicates boards are not expected to have significant acute toxicity. Apart from mild skin, throat, airway or eye irritation, workers producing these boards have reported no significant health complaints.

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- Eye contact with dust may lead to transient eye irritation or inflammation.
- Prolonged skin contact may lead to skin irritation.

Further information: Inhalation of excessive concentrations of quartz-containing dust can be hazardous to health. The inhalation of quartz containing dust in high concentrations or over repeated or prolonged periods of time may lead to chronic lung disease and an increased risk of lung cancer. This risk will be minimal

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if correct working practices are observed and applied. (Refer to Section 8). However, for this product, with exposure assessments performed by accredited European laboratories using reference workplace monitoring methods, any quartz levels in the respirable dust were below the detection limit.

12. Ecological information Nothing to report

13. Disposal considerations

Product disposal: Handle as construction industry waste and dispose in accordance with local legislation
Packaging disposal: Dispose according to local legislation

14. Transport information

Road transport: Product is not classified as dangerous
Inland shipping transport: Product is not classified as dangerous
Sea shipping transport: Product is not classified as dangerous
Air transport: Product is not classified as dangerous

15. Regulatory information

Labelling according to EEC – Directives:

The Product is a manufactured article, not a substance nor a preparation. Therefore the EU Directive on classification and labelling 67/548/EEC and 1999/45/EC is not applicable.

Danger indication: not applicable

Symbol: not applicable

R – sentence: not applicable

S – sentence: not applicable

16. Other information

The recommendations for use and installation of the product have to be followed as indicated in the Promat Handbook.

The health and safety information contained herein is believed to be accurate and correct based on our current knowledge at the date of issue and no liability can be accepted for any loss, injury or damage resulting from its use. It is intended as a guide for the safe handling, storage and use under normal conditions, but does not necessarily refer to the particular requirements of a customer when further advice should be obtained.

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