### PLASTERBOARD

# SHEETROCK<sup>®</sup> BRAND GLASS-MAT PANELS MOLD TOUGH<sup>™</sup>

**1. IDENTIFICATION** 

### Product identifier

**Physical hazards** 

Mixturos

Sheetrock® Brand Glass-Mat Panels Mold Tough™ **Synonym(s)** Gypsum Panels, Drywall, Plasterboard, Wallboard **Recommended use** Interior use. **Recommended restrictions** Use in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations. **Manufacturer / Importer / Supplier / Distributor information/Company name** USG Middle East Ltd 7410 (WASIL) Street #23, Cross 76 (Right) Second Industrial City Dammam 34326 - 4201, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia Tel: +966 13 812 0995 / Fax: +966 13 812 1029 E-mail: info@usgme.com / marketing@usgme.com Website: https://www.usgme.com

2. HAZARD(S) IDENTIFICATION

Not classified. **Health hazards** Not classified. **OSHA** defined hazards Not classified. Label elements Hazard symbol None. Signal word None Hazard statement None. **Precautionary statement** 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 local, state, and federal regulations. Not classified. Hazard(s) not otherwise classified (HNOC) Not classified.

3. COMPOSITION/ INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Plixtures			
Chemical name CA	AS number	%	
Calcium sulfate dihydrate (alternative CAS 10101-41-4) 13	3397-24-5	≥ 85	
Continuous filament glass fiber 65	5997-17-3	<5	
	811-73-2	< 0.25	



# **Composition comments** All concentrations are in percent by weight unless ingredient is a gas. The gypsum used to manufacture these panels contains respirable crystalline silica ranging up to 0.56% by weight, depending on source, as indicated by bulk sampling methods. Industrial hygiene laboratory 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, and actual employee exposure must be determined by workplace industrial hygiene testing. **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 Under normal conditions of intended use, this material does not pose a risk to health. Dust may irritate throat and respiratory system and cause coughing. Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed Provide general supportive measures and treat symptomatically. **General information** Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved. 5. FIRE-FIGHTING Suitable extinguishing media MEASURES Use fire-extinguishing media appropriate for surrounding materials. Unsuitable extinguishing media Not applicable. Specific hazards arising from the chemical Not a fire hazard. 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. Fire-fighting equipment/instructions Use standard firefighting procedures & consider the hazards of other involved materials. Specific methods Cool material exposed to heat with water spray and remove it if no risk is involved. 6. ACCIDENTAL Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures **RELEASE MEASURES** 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 Precautions for safe handling STORAGE Use work methods which minimize 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 1.2 M 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 10 CM inches from the wall to decrease the risk of falling board and no more than 15 CM to avoid too much lateral weight against the wall.

#### 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/ PERSONAL PROTECTION

# Occupational exposure limits US. OSHA Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants (29 CFR 1910.1000)

Components	CAS number	Value	Form
Calcium sulfate dihydrate(alternative PEL CAS 10101-41-4) (CAS13397-24-5)	PEL	5 mg/m³	Respirable fraction
		15 mg/m³	Total dust

#### **US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values**

Components	CAS number	Value	Form
Calcium sulfate dihydrate (alternative CAS 101-41-4) (CAS 13397-24-5)	TWA	10 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Inhalable fraction.
Continuous filament glass fiber (CAS 65997-17-3)	TWA	1 fibers/cm <sup>3</sup> 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Respirable fibers (length > 5 µm & aspect ratio ≥ 3:1) Inhalable fraction.

# **US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards**

Components	CAS number	Value	Form
Calcium sulfate dihydrate (alternative CAS 101-41-4) (CAS 13397-24-5)	TWA	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Respirable.
Continuous filament glass fiber (CAS 65997-17-3)	TWA	10 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 3 fibers/cm <sup>3</sup> 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Total Respirable fibers(≤ 3.5 µm in diameter & ≥ 10 µm in length Fiber, total

# **Biological limit values**

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

#### Appropriate engineering controls personal protective equipment

Provide sufficient ventilation for operations causing dust formation. Observe occupational exposure limits and minimize 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 minimize 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

9. PHYSICAL AND MICAL PROPERTIES	Appearance Paper faced with gypsum core. Physical state Solid. Form Panel. Color Gray to off-white. Odor Low to no odor. Odor threshold Not applicable. pH 6-8 Melting point/freezing point Not applicable. Flash point Not applicable. Flash point Not applicable. Flammability (solid, gas) Not applicable. Flammability limit - lower (%) Not applicable. Flammability limit - upper (%) Not applicable. Explosive limit - lower (%)	Vapor pressure Not applicable. Vapor density Not applicable. Relative density 2.32 (Gypsum) (H <sup>2</sup> O=1) Solubility(ies) 0.26 g/100 g (H <sup>2</sup> O) Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water) Not applicable. Decomposition temperature 1450 °C Viscosity Not applicable. Other information Bulk density 760 kg/m <sup>3</sup> Particle size Varies. VOC (Weight %) 0 %	
10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY	Not applicable. Explosive limit - upper (%) Not applicable.  Reactivity The product is stable and non reactive under normal conditions of use, storage and transport. Chemical stability Material is stable under normal conditions. Possibility of hazardous reactions Hazardous polymerization does not occur. Conditions to avoid Contact with incompatible materials.		
	Incompatible materials Strong oxidizing agents. Strong acids. Hazardous decomposition products Calcium oxides, carbon dioxide, and carbon mo	onoxide.	
11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION	Information on likely routes of exposure Ingestion Not likely, due to the form of the product. Inhalation Mechanical processing may generate dust. Gyp membranes of the upper respiratory tract and Skin contact Under normal conditions of intended use, the to be a skin irritant (2). Eyes contact	usum dust has an irritant action on mucous eyes (1). his material does not pose a skin hazard. Gypsum was not found Direct contact with eyes may cause temp orary irritation (1). <b>nd toxicological characteristics</b>	

	Information on toxicological effects Acute toxicity			
	Low hazard.			
	Skin corrosion/irritation			
	Gypsum was not found to be a skin irritant.			
	Serious eye damage/eye irritation			
	Gypsum does not cause serious eye damage	or irritation.		
	Respiratory or skin sensitization Respiratory sensitization			
		m the skin se	ensitization study, calcium sulfate is not expected to	
	be a respiratory sensitizer.	in the skin se		
	Skin sensitization			
	Not a skin sensitizer (2).			
	Germ cell mutagenicity			
	No evidence of mutagenic potential exists (3,	4,5).		
	Carcinogenicity No evidence of carcinogenic potential exists (	(6)		
	IARC Monographs. Overall Evaluation of C		ity	
	Continuous filament glass fiber (CAS 6599	-	3 Not classifiable as to carcinogenicity to humans.	
	NTP Report on Carcinogens	,		
	Continuous filament glass fiber (CAS 6599	7-17-3)	Reasonably Anticipated to be a Human Carcinogen.	
	Reproductive toxicity			
	No evidence of reproductive toxicity exists (2			
	Specific target organ toxicity - single exposu	Ire		
	Not toxic to lung tissue. Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exp	ocuro		
	Not toxic to lung tissue (6).	osure		
	Aspiration hazard			
	Due to the physical form of the product it is r	not an aspirat	tion hazard.	
	Further information			
	Pre-existing skin and respiratory conditions in	ncluding dern	natitis, asthma and chronic lung disease	
	might be aggravated by exposure.			
12. ECOLOGICAL	Ecotoxicity			
INFORMATION			tally hazardous. However, this does not exclude the	
	possibility that large or frequent spills can have	ve a harmful	or damaging effect on the environment	
	Components	Species	Test Results	
	Calcium sulfate dihydrate (alternative CAS 10101-41-4)			
	(CAS 13397-24-5) Aquatic			
	fish	LC50	Fathead minnow (Pimephales promelas) > 1970 mg/l, 96 hours	
	Persistence and degradability			
	Not applicable for the salt of inorganic compo	ounds. Calciu	Im 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	Disposal instructions			
CONSIDERATIONS	Dispose in accordance with applicable federal, state, and local regulations. Recycle responsibly.			
	Local disposal regulations			
	Dispose of in accordance with local regulations.			
	Hazardous waste code			
	Not regulated.			
	Waste from residues / unused products			
	Dispose of in accordance with local regulations.			
	Contaminated packaging Dispose of in accordance with local regulations.			
	Dispose of in accordance with local regulation			

#### 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

DOT

Not regulated as dangerous goods. IATA

Not regulated as a dangerous good. IMDG

Not regulated as a dangerous good.

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

Saudi Arabian Inventory of Chemical Substance

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N	CAS#	13397-24-5	Calcium sulfate dihydrate		
	CAS#	65997-17-3	Continuous filament glass fiber		
	CAS#	3811-73-2	Sodium pyrithione		

**16. OTHER INFORMATION, INCLUDING DATE OF** PREPARATION OR LAST REVISION

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# **Further information**

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.

NFPA Ratings: Health: 1 Flammability: 0 Physical hazard: 0

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

# **NFPA Ratings:**



NFPA: National Fire Protection Association.

# Abbreviations and acronyms

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