

# SHEETROCK® BRAND TUFF-HIDE™ PRIMER-SURFACER

## 1. IDENTIFICATION

### Product identifier

SHEETROCK® Brand TUFF-HIDE™ Primer-Surfacer.

### Recommended use

Interior use.

### Recommended restrictions

Use in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations.

### Manufacturer / Importer / Supplier / Distributor information/Company name

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## 2. HAZARD(S) IDENTIFICATION

### Physical hazards

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.

#### Hazard(s) not otherwise classified (HNOC)

None known.

## 3. COMPOSITION/ INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

### Mixtures

Chemical name	CAS number	%
Limestone	1317-65-3	< 40
Kaolin	1332-58-7	< 5
Calcium Carbonate	471-34-1	< 5
Mica	12001-26-2	< 5
Titanium Dioxide	13463-67-7	< 10
Vinyl Acetate Monomer	108-05-4	< 8
Water	7732-18-5	< 40

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All concentrations are in percent by weight unless ingredient is a gas. Raw materials in this product contain respirable crystalline silica as a naturally occurring impurity. Since this product is a liquid slurry, the risk of inhaling particles will not occur during the recommended use of this product.

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#### 4. FIRST-AID MEASURES

##### **Inhalation**

Exposure to mists may cause temporary irritation to eyes, skin, nose, throat, and upper respiratory tract. Move injured person into fresh air and keep person calm under observation. Get medical attention if symptoms persist.

##### **Skin contact**

Rinse area with plenty of water. Get medical attention if irritation develops or persists. Causes skin irritation, redness and rash.

##### **Eye contact**

Do not rub eyes. Flush thoroughly with water. If burning, redness, itching, pain, or other symptoms develop or persist get medical attention.

Causes serious eye irritation, lacrimation, pain and redness.

##### **Ingestion**

Rinse mouth. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.

May cause mild gastrointestinal effect.

##### **Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed**

May cause respiratory irritation and coughing. Prolonged and repeated exposure to airborne free respirable crystalline silica can result in lung disease (i.e., silicosis) and/ or lung cancer. The development of silicosis may increase the risks of additional health effects. The risk of developing silicosis is dependent upon the exposure intensity and duration.

##### **Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**

Treat symptomatically

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

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#### 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

##### **Suitable extinguishing media**

In case of fire, use extinguishing media suitable for surrounding fire. Water, foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide extinguishers can be used.

##### **Extinguishing media which must not be used for safety reasons**

Not known.

##### **Specific hazards arising from the substance or mixture**

Not combustible.

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

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#### 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

##### **Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

For personal protection equipment, Refer Section 8. Keep unnecessary and unprotected personnel from entering area. Put on appropriate personal protective equipment.

##### **Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up**

Spills: Scoop up. Flush area with water before material dries. Finish cleaning by spreading water on the contaminated surface and dispose of according to local and regional authority requirements.

##### **Environmental precautions**

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

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#### 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

##### **Precautions for safe handling**

Minimize dust generation when mixing or sanding. Wash hands after handling.

Observe good industrial hygiene practices.

##### **Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**

Store in a cool, dry place. Store in a closed container away from incompatible materials. Protect from moisture.

Keep away from heat. Do not use if material has spoiled, i.e., there is a moldy appearance or an unpleasant odor. Keep containers closed when not in use.

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**8. EXPOSURE  
CONTROLS/  
PERSONAL  
PROTECTION**

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

Components	Type	Value	Form
Calcium carbonate (CAS 471-34-1)	PEL	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 15 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Respirable fraction. Total dust.
Limestone (CAS 1317-65-3)	PEL	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 15 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Respirable fraction. Total dust.
Titanium dioxide (CAS 13463-67-7)	PEL	15 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 15 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Total dust.

**US. OSHA Table Z-3 (29 CFR 1910.1000)**

Components	Type	Value	Form
Talc (CAS 14807-96-6)	TWA	0.3 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 0.1 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Total dust. Respirable.

**US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values Components**

Components	Type	Value	Form
Talc (CAS 14807-96-6)	TWA	2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Respirable fraction.
Titanium dioxide (CAS 13463-67-7)	TWA	10 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	

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

Components	Type	Value	Form
Calcium carbonate (CAS 471-34-1)	TWA	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Respirable. Total.
Limestone (CAS 1317-65-3)	TWA	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Respirable. Total.
Talc (CAS 14807-96-6)	TWA	2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Respirable.

**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 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.

**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 separately from regular wash. Observe any medical surveillance requirements.

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### Appearance

#### Physical state

Liquid

#### Form

Slurry

#### Color

White.

### Odor

Slight acrylic.

### Odor threshold

Not applicable.

### pH

7.5 - 9.9

### Melting point/freezing point

Not applicable. / 0 °C

### Initial boiling point and boiling range

100 °C

### 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 - upper (%)

Not applicable.

#### Explosive limit - lower (%)

Not applicable.

#### Explosive limit - upper (%)

Not applicable.

### Vapor pressure

Not applicable.

### Vapor density

Not applicable.

### Relative density

1.4 - 1.7 (H<sub>2</sub>O=1)

### Solubility(ies)

#### Solubility (water)

Soluble in water.

### Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water)

Not applicable.

### Auto-ignition temperature

Not applicable.

### Decomposition temperature

Not applicable.

### Viscosity

90 - 130 KU (Krebs Units) (20 °C)

### Other information

#### Bulk density

1200-1300 kg/m<sup>3</sup>

#### VOC (Weight %)

>50 g/l

## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### 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

None known.

### Incompatible materials

None known.

### Hazardous decomposition products

Above 800°C limestone (CaCO<sub>3</sub>) can decompose to lime (CaO) and release carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>).

## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Information on likely routes of exposure

#### Ingestion

May cause discomfort if swallowed.

#### Inhalation

Inhalation of mist may cause irritation to throat and or nasal passages.

#### Skin contact

The product contains a small amount of sensitizing substance which may provoke an allergic reaction among sensitive individuals in contact with skin.

#### Eyes contact

May cause eye irritation.

### Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics

Irritation of eyes and mucous membranes. Skin irritation.

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**Information on toxicological effects****Acute toxicity**

Neither inhalation nor skin contact contribute to acute toxicity of the substance or mixture. However, may cause discomfort if swallowed.

**Skin corrosion/irritation**

Prolonged or repeated skin contact may cause drying, cracking, or irritation.

**Serious eye damage/eye irritation**

Direct contact with eyes may cause temporary irritation.

**Respiratory or skin sensitization****Respiratory sensitization**

Not classified.

**Skin sensitization**

The product contains a small amount of sensitizing substance which may provoke an allergic reaction among sensitive individuals after repeated contact. For detailed information, see section 16.

**Germ cell mutagenicity**

Data does not suggest that this product or any components present at greater than 0.1% are mutagenic or genotoxic.

**Carcinogenicity**

Titanium Dioxide is listed by IARC as possibly carcinogenic to humans (Group 2B). This listing is based on inadequate evidence of carcinogenicity in humans and sufficient evidence in experimental animals.

**IARC Monographs. Overall Evaluation of Carcinogenicity**

Attapulgit (CAS 12174-11-7)	2B Possibly carcinogenic to humans.
	3 Not classifiable as to carcinogenicity to humans.
Titanium dioxide (CAS 13463-67-7)	2B Possibly carcinogenic to humans.

**Reproductive toxicity**

Not expected to be a reproductive hazard.

**Specific target organ toxicity-single exposure**

No data available, but none expected.

**Specific target organ toxicity-repeated exposure**

No data available, but none expected.

**Aspiration hazard**

Not an aspiration hazard.

**Chronic effects**

See section 16.

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**12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION****Ecotoxicity**

The product contains a substance which is very toxic to aquatic organisms.

**Persistence and degradability**

Not applicable.

**Bioaccumulative potential**

Bioaccumulation is not expected.

**Mobility in soil**

No data available.

**Other adverse effects**

None expected.

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**13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS****Disposal instructions**

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.

#### 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

##### DOT

Not regulated as a hazardous material

##### IATA

Not regulated as a dangerous good.

##### IMDG

Not regulated as dangerous goods.

##### Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code

Not applicable.

#### 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

##### Saudi Arabian Inventory of Chemical Substance:

CAS #	1317-65-3	Limestone
CAS #	1332-58-7	Kaolin
CAS #	471-34-1	Calcium Carbonate
CAS #	12001-26-2	Mica
CAS #	13463-67-7	Titanium dioxide
CAS #	108-05-4	Vinyl Acetate Monomer
CAS #	7732-18-5	Water

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

##### Issue date

1-July-2018

##### Revision date

1-December-2022

##### Version #

02

##### Further information

Crystalline silica: Since this product is a liquid slurry, the risk of inhaling particles will not occur during the recommended use of this product. However, this product contains crystalline silica. Prolonged and repeated exposures to airborne free respirable crystalline silica can result in lung silicosis and/or lung cancer.  
Vinyl acetic monomer, formaldehyde and acetaldehyde: Trace amounts of vinyl acetate monomer and formaldehyde may be found in this product.

Attapulgite: Carcinogenic to experimental animals via a route of exposure not relevant to human exposure. However, because this product is a liquid slurry, the risk of inhaling particles will not occur during the recommended use of this product.

Skin Sensitization Potential: This product contains an amount of Triazinetriethanol (THT) (CAS No. 4719-04-4) that is below the approved EPA regulated limits. THT can act as a sensitizer. Numerous human studies with concentrations up to 1% yielded negative (no sensitization) results. However, some results showed positive reactions in concentrations <0.5% mostly in persons with eczema.

Ethylene glycol is added to this product in trace amounts to prevent freezing in transit.

NFPA Ratings:

Health: 1

Flammability: 0

Physical hazard: 0

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



##### List of abbreviations References

NFPA: National Fire Protection Association.

Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS)

HSDB® - Hazardous Substances Data Bank

Torben et al. (2001). Environmental and Health Assessment of Substances in Household Detergents and Cosmetic Products.

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