

Fédération Européenne des fabricants de Produits Abrasifs

MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET FOR COATED ABRASIVES

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IMPORTANT NOTICE

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Coated abrasives are inert products which do not create any risk when handled or stored. When used on grinding machines they require specific measures to protect the operators. During the grinding operation 90% or more of the particulates of the dust come from the material being ground and, for wet grinding, from aerosols generated by grinding fluid. Specific attention must therefore be given to the nature of the part and of the fluid and the appropriate protection devices must be installed.

2.	Composition/Information on ingredients		
2.1	Abrasive	Synthetic Aluminium oxide, or Synthetic Silicon Carbide Zirconia Alumina (Zr0 ₃ - Al ₂ O ₃) Others:	
2.2	Bond	Glue (natural material derived from plant or animal) Cured phenolic resin Cured urea/melamine resin Others:	
2.3	Fillers	Calcium carbonate Kaolin Cryolite Others: grit contains neutral filler	

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Polyamide non-woven web

Combination, paper/cloth Cloth containing polyester

Vulcanized fibre

Paper Cotton cloth

Others:

Others:

Backing

3. Hazards identification

NOT APPLICABLE.

Coated abrasives are not dangerous products as defined in EC Directive n° 88/379

4. First aid measures

Applicable when Coated Abrasives are in use on machines.

The following recommendations are basic rules during a grinding operation, they must be followed in conjunction with the information appearing in the Safety data sheets of the material ground and of the grinding fluid when used.

- Dust inhalation

Remove from exposure, seek medical advice if symptoms persist

- Eye

Remove from exposure and flush with clean water

If symptoms persist seek medical advice.

- Skin

No hazardous effect known.

- Ingestion

No hazardous effect known.

5. Fire fighting measures

NONE specific.

Water, powder, foam, sand, CO₂ ... can be used if compatible with operating conditions.

6. Accidental release measures

NOT APPLICABLE.

7. Handling and storage

Follow recommendations for machines and national regulations.

Store coated abrasives in moderate constant temperature and humidity conditions.

For detailed recommendations refer to the FEPA Safety Leaflet for Coated Abrasives.

8. Exposure control and personal protection

NOT APPLICABLE WHEN COATED ABRASIVES ARE HANDLED OR STORED.

During the grinding operation with coated abrasives particles of dust come from the material being ground. The general value for dust is max. 6 mg/m³.

When using coated abrasives, refer to grinding machines instructions and to the national rules. Refer also to the FEPA Safety Leaflet for Coated Abrasives.

8.1 The following personal protective equipment should be used dependent on the operation and the material being ground

- Eye protection

Machine guarding and safety goggles or face shield.

- Dust protection

Use of dust mask.

Hand protection

Use of barrier cream and protective gloves.

Ear protection

Use of ear defenders or equivalent.

- Skin protection

Use of suitable protective clothing.

8.2 Hygiene measures

No specific requirements.

9. Physical and chemical properties

9.1	Physical state	Solid
9.2	Colour	Variable

9.3 Odour Not applicable (may give off non specific odour in use)

94 pH

Not applicable

9.5 Change of physical state Not applicable

9.6 Density Not applicable

Bulk density

Not applicable

9.7 Vapour pressure Not applicable

9.8 Flash point Not applicable

Explosion properties 9.9

Not applicable

9.10 Viscosity 9.11 Solubility in water

Not applicable Not applicable

10. Stablility and reactivity

Coated abrasives are stable and non reactive when handled or stored.

10.1 Conditions to avoid Not applicable.

10.2 Materials to avoid Strong acids, strong bases & strong oxidizing agents may

modify the mechanical characteristics of the products and

create safety hazards when used on machines

10.3

Hazardous decomposition products if coated abrasives are used in accordance with instructions

no hazardous decomposition products are created.

11. Toxicological information

NOT APPLICABLE WHEN HANDLED OR STORED.

According to the experience gathered for many years, coated abrasives, when properly used have no adverse effect on health, refer to the preliminary note about dust and aerosols of grinding fluid.

12. **Ecological information**

12.1 Mobility

Not applicable

12.2 Persistence and degradability Not defined

123 Bioaccumulative potential 12.4 **Ecotoxicity**

Not applicable Not applicable

13. Disposal considerations

After use, Coated abrasives may be contaminated with hazardous materials (particle or cooling agents) and should be disposed of in accordance with national regulations.

14. **Transport**

Coated abrasives are not dangerous products

15. Regulatory information

EC-Regulations: NONE, no specific marking required under the EC-Directive n° 88/379 National or local regulations: refer to relevant texts.

16. Other information

WARNING I

The above indications are based on existing practice and do not constitue a guarantee. The laws and regulations must be strictly followed by users who remain responsible for the use of Coated Abrasives