

# Gyproc Habito F

## Safety Data Sheet

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#### 1. Identification of the substances / preparation and company

##### 1.1 Product identifier: Gyproc Habito F

##### 1.2 Relevant identified uses:

Gyproc plasterboards are used as internal linings in buildings.

##### 1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet:

Supplier British Gypsum  
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This information reflects typical values and is not a product specification.

##### 1.4 Emergency telephone number:

Telephone 0115 945 6123

#### 2. Hazards identification

##### THE MOST IMPORTANT HAZARDS ARE:

##### 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture:

This product is not classified as dangerous according to CLP.

Dust from mixing or sanding may irritate the respiratory system, skin and eyes.

#### 3. Composition / information on ingredients

General composition: Calcium sulphate dihydrate encased in paper liners, natural constituents may include minor amounts of quartz. Small quantities of chopped glass fibre, microsilica and vermiculite may be added, with starch, foam and dispersants.

Any board may contain small quantities of chopped man-made mineral fibre and microsilica.

#### 4. First aid measures

##### 4.1 Description of first aid measures:

Eye contact P305 / P313  
In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.

Skin contact P264  
After contact with skin, wash immediately with plenty of soap and water.

Ingestion P331  
If swallowed, do not induce vomiting, seek medical advice immediately and show this document.

P301 / P330  
If swallowed rinse mouth with water (only if the person is conscious).

Inhalation P304 / P340  
In case of accident by inhalation, remove casualty to fresh air and keep at rest.

General Get medical attention if any symptoms persist.

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## 5. Fire fighting measures

### 5.1 Extinguishing media:

Suitable extinguishing media - water, foam, carbon dioxide or dry powder.

### 5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture:

The product does not pose a fire hazard. However, some packaging materials may burn.

### 5.3 Advice for fire fighters:

Use protective equipment appropriate for surrounding materials.

## 6. Accidental release measures

### 6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures:

Not applicable.

## 7. Handling and storage

### 7.1 Precautions for safe handling:

**Use** - Minimise dust generation when sawing or sanding in poorly ventilated places. Avoid eye contact - see Section 8 for recommended personal protective equipment and Section 3 for hazards identification.

Plasterboards will not support body weight between rafters, joints or frame members.

**Manual handling** - Sheets of plasterboard can be unwieldy, use an appropriate lifting technique. The weight of each sheet can vary between products. For manual handling purposes assume the following:

Gyproc Habito F weights:

Board thickness (mm)	Board width (mm)	Board length (mm)	Board weight (kg)	Pallet weight (tonnes)
12.5	1200	2400	37	1.65
		2500	39	1.68
		2700	42	1.63
		3000	46	1.71

**(NB)** - All details are approximate

**Mechanical handling** - The dimensions of the pallet vary depending on the product size. To avoid potentially overloading a lift truck, it is important that any effect on load centres is considered. The nominal weight of each palletised load is given within the weights table in this section of this document.

Plasterboards will not support body weight in between rafters, joints or frame members.

## 7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities:

**Storage** - Store on pallets supplied in dry conditions. To maintain stability, place pallets on firm level ground, and ensure that stacks are both level and vertical.

**(NB)** - When working with individual boards, only work from a single pallet, not a stack.

**Pallet stacking heights** - The maximum stack heights on level concrete floors and vertical stacks are as follows:

Board width (mm)	Board length (mm)	Pallet stack height (packs)
1200	2400, 2500, 2700, 3000	6

## 8. Exposure control / personal protection

### 8.1 Control parameters:

Workplace exposure limit:

Substance	Total inhalable	Respirable
Plaster	10mg/m <sup>3</sup> 8hr TWA	4mg/m <sup>3</sup> 8hr TWA
Quartz (silica)	-	0.1mg/m <sup>3</sup> 8hr TWA
Man Made Mineral Fibres (MMMMF)	5mg/m <sup>3</sup> 8hr TWA (gravimetric method)	-

### 8.2 Exposure controls:

#### Personal protection

**Respiratory** P284  
Use only in well-ventilated areas.  
Wear eye / face protection.  
Face masks to EN 149 FFP2.

**Skin** P303  
Wear suitable protective clothing.

**Eye** P305 / P313  
Wear eye / face protection.  
Eye protection to BS EN 166.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

### 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties:

**Appearance** - Flat sheet boards in different widths and thicknesses, with a tapered edge.

## 10. Stability and reactivity

### 10.1 Reactivity:

No special physical conditions need to be avoided.  
No specific restrictions regarding incompatible materials.

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## 11. Toxicology information

### 11.1 Information on toxicological effects:

No known toxicological effects.

## 12. Ecological information

Stable product with no known adverse environmental effects.

## 13. Disposal consideration

### 13.1 Waste treatment methods:

Gypsum, the main raw material for plasterboard, is a sulphate but is classified as non-hazardous. Waste from gypsum plasterboard products is fully recyclable.

For more information contact the British Gypsum Plasterboard Recycling Service Team on 0800 633 5040 or visit the British Gypsum website at [british-gypsum.com](http://british-gypsum.com)

## 14. Transport information

Not classified as hazardous for transportation.

## 15. Regulatory information

Not classified under the CLP regulations.

## 16. Other information

Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations

The Manual Handling Operations Regulations

HSE Guidance Note EH40: Workplace Exposure Limits

Gypsum Wastes - Environment Agency Information Sheet

The British Gypsum White Book

The British Gypsum Site Book

The British Gypsum website: [british-gypsum.com](http://british-gypsum.com)

*Note to user: This Safety Data Sheet does not constitute a workplace risk assessment for COSHH.*

There are a number of situations where the approach to manual handling of British Gypsum products should be considered. For further guidance, please refer to the Manual Handling Section of the **Site Book** or the Manual Handling Guide, available to download from [british-gypsum.com](http://british-gypsum.com).

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