SAFETY DATA SHEET
Gyproc HandiBoard

SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

1.1. Product identifier
Product name  Gyproc HandiBoard

1.2. Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against
Identified uses  Internal linings in buildings.
Uses advised against  No specific uses advised against are identified.

1.3. Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet
Supplier  British Gypsum
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E: bgtechnical.enquiries@bpb.com

1.4. Emergency telephone number
Emergency telephone  +44 (0) 115 945 6123
8:30am - 5:00pm Monday - Friday (GMT)

SECTION 2: Hazards identification

2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture
Classification (EC 1272/2008)
Physical hazards  Not Classified
Health hazards  Not Classified
Environmental hazards  Not Classified

Human health  Harmful dust may be released during cutting or grinding process. Dust may irritate the eyes and the respiratory system. Frequent inhalation of dust over a long period of time increases the risk of developing lung diseases. Sharp edges and corners may cause cuts and abrasions.

2.2. Label elements
Hazard statements  NC Not Classified
Labelling notes  As supplied, this product does not meet the requirements for labelling.

2.3. Other hazards
This product does not contain any substances classified as PBT or vPvB.
SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

### 3.2. Mixtures

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Substance with National workplace exposure limits.

**Classification**
- Not Classified

The full text for all hazard statements is displayed in Section 16.

**Composition comments**
Calcium sulfate dihydrate encased in paper liners. Natural plasterboard constituents may include minor amounts of quartz. Small quantities of chopped glass fibre, microsilica and vermiculite may be added, with starch, foam and dispersants.

SECTION 4: First aid measures

### 4.1. Description of first aid measures

**General information**
Get medical attention if any discomfort continues. Show this Safety Data Sheet to the medical personnel.

**Inhalation**
Due to the physical nature of this product, exposure by this route is unlikely. IF INHALED: Move affected person to fresh air and keep warm and at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. If in doubt, get medical attention promptly.

**Ingestion**
Due to the physical nature of this product, it is unlikely that ingestion will occur. IF SWALLOWED: Give a few small glasses of water or milk to drink. Stop if the affected person feels sick as vomiting may be dangerous. Do not induce vomiting unless under the direction of medical personnel. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. If in doubt, get medical attention promptly.

**Skin contact**
Wash skin thoroughly with soap and water. Get medical attention if symptoms are severe or persist after washing.

**Eye contact**
Due to the physical nature of this product, exposure by this route is unlikely. IF IN EYES: Remove any contact lenses and open eyelids wide apart. Rinse with water. Do not rub eye. Get medical attention if symptoms are severe or persist after washing.

**Protection of first aiders**
First aid personnel should wear appropriate protective equipment during any rescue.

### 4.2. Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

**General information**
The product is considered to be a low hazard under normal conditions of use. See Section 11 for additional information on health hazards. The severity of the symptoms described will vary dependent on the concentration and the length of exposure.

**Inhalation**
No specific symptoms known. Due to the physical nature of this product, exposure by this route is unlikely. Harmful dust may be released during cutting or grinding process. Frequent inhalation of dust over a long period of time increases the risk of developing lung diseases.

**Ingestion**
No specific symptoms known. May cause discomfort. Harmful dust may be released during cutting or grinding process.

**Skin contact**
Prolonged or repeated contact with skin may cause irritation, redness and dermatitis. Sharp edges and corners may cause cuts and abrasions.

**Eye contact**
Particles in the eyes may cause irritation and smarting.

### 4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed
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Notes for the doctor
Treat symptomatically.

Specific treatments
No special treatment required.

SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

5.1. Extinguishing media
Suitable extinguishing media
Extinguish with alcohol-resistant foam, carbon dioxide, dry powder or water fog. Use fireextinguishing media suitable for the surrounding fire.

Unsuitable extinguishing media
Do not use water jet as an extinguisher, as this will spread the fire.

5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture
Hazardous combustion products
Thermal decomposition or combustion products may include the following substances: Harmful gases or vapours. Oxides of sulphur. Carbon dioxide (CO2). Carbon monoxide (CO).

5.3. Advice for firefighters
Protective actions during firefighting
Avoid breathing fire gases or vapours. Evacuate area. Cool containers exposed to heat with water spray and remove them from the fire area if it can be done without risk. Cool containers exposed to flames with water until well after the fire is out.

Special protective equipment for firefighters
Wear positive-pressure self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) and appropriate protective clothing. Firefighter's clothing conforming to European standard EN469 (including helmets, protective boots and gloves) will provide a basic level of protection for chemical incidents.

SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures
Personal precautions
Provide adequate ventilation. Keep unnecessary and unprotected personnel away from the spillage. Wear protective clothing as described in Section 8 of this safety data sheet. Avoid inhalation of dust. Avoid contact with eyes. No smoking, sparks, flames or other sources of ignition near spillage. Wash thoroughly after dealing with a spillage.

6.2. Environmental precautions
Environmental precautions
The product is not expected to be hazardous to the environment. Insoluble in water. Aquatic toxicity is unlikely to occur. However, large or frequent spills may have hazardous effects on the environment. Collect spillage. Avoid discharge to the aquatic environment. Large Spillages: Inform the relevant authorities if environmental pollution occurs (sewers, waterways, soil or air).

6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up
Methods for cleaning up
Wear protective clothing as described in Section 8 of this safety data sheet. Clear up spills immediately and dispose of waste safely. Reuse or recycle products wherever possible. Approach the spillage from upwind. Collect spillage. Avoid generation and spreading of dust. Flush contaminated area with plenty of water. Wash thoroughly after dealing with a spillage. Do not empty into drains. Dispose of waste to licensed waste disposal site in accordance with the requirements of the local Waste Disposal Authority.

6.4. Reference to other sections
Reference to other sections
For personal protection, see Section 8. See Section 11 for additional information on health hazards. For waste disposal, see Section 13.

SECTION 7: Handling and storage

7.1. Precautions for safe handling
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Usage precautions
Read and follow manufacturer’s recommendations. Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Wear protective clothing as described in Section 8 of this safety data sheet. Keep away from food, drink and animal feeding stuffs. Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking. Avoid handling which leads to dust formation. Avoid generation and spreading of dust. Prevent accumulation of dust. Avoid inhalation of dust. Use mechanical ventilation if there is a risk of handling causing formation of airborne dust.

Advice on general occupational hygiene
Wash hands thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Wash at the end of each work shift and before eating, smoking and using the toilet. Change work clothing daily before leaving workplace.

7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities
Storage precautions
Store away from incompatible materials (see Section 10). Store in accordance with local regulations. Keep in a cool, well ventilated place. Store in a dry place. Do not store near heat sources or expose to high temperatures. Keep away from flammable and combustible materials.

Storage class
Unspecified storage.

7.3. Specific end use(s)
Specific end use(s)
The identified uses for this product are detailed in Section 1.2.

SECTION 8: Exposure controls/Personal protection

8.1. Control parameters

Occupational exposure limits
Comments
Exposure to these ingredients as inhalable or respirable dust is minimal during normal use. Avoid handling which leads to dust formation.

Calcium sulfate dihydrate
Long-term exposure limit (8-hour TWA): WEL 10 mg/m³ inhalable dust
Long-term exposure limit (8-hour TWA): WEL 4 mg/m³ respirable dust

Quartz (SiO2)
Long-term exposure limit (8-hour TWA): WEL 0.1 mg/m³ respirable dust
[Listed as: Silica, respirable crystalline]

Quartz (SiO2)
Long-term exposure limit (8-hour TWA): WEL 6 mg/m³ inhalable dust
Long-term exposure limit (8-hour TWA): WEL 2.4 mg/m³ respirable dust
[Listed as: Silica, amorphous]

Silicon dioxide
Long-term exposure limit (8-hour TWA): WEL 2.4 mg/m³ respirable dust
Long-term exposure limit (8-hour TWA): WEL 6 mg/m³ inhalable dust
WEL = Workplace Exposure Limit.

Calcium sulfate dihydrate (CAS: 7778-18-9)

DNEL
Workers - Inhalation; Long term systemic effects: 21.17 mg/m³
Workers - Inhalation; Short term systemic effects: 5082 mg/m³
General population - Inhalation; Long term systemic effects: 5.29 mg/m³
General population - Inhalation; Short term systemic effects: 3811 mg/m³
General population - Oral; Long term systemic effects: 1.52 mg/kg/day
General population - Oral; Short term systemic effects: 11.4 mg/kg/day
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PNEC
STP; 100 mg/l

8.2. Exposure controls
Appropriate engineering controls
Provide adequate ventilation. Harmful dust may be released during cutting or grinding process. Use mechanical ventilation if there is a risk of handling causing formation of airborne dust. Observe any occupational exposure limits for the product or ingredients.

Eye/face protection
Eyewear complying with an approved standard should be worn if a risk assessment indicates eye contact is possible. Wear tight-fitting, dust-resistant, chemical splash goggles if airborne dust is generated. Personal protective equipment for eye and face protection should comply with European Standard EN166.

Hand protection
For prolonged or repeated use: Wear protective gloves. During cutting, grinding or sanding operations, wear protective gloves if handling sharp or rough edges.

Hygiene measures
Good personal hygiene procedures should be implemented. When using do not eat, drink or smoke.

Respiratory protection
Respiratory protection complying with an approved standard should be worn if a risk assessment indicates inhalation of contaminants is possible. Harmful dust may be released during cutting or grinding process. Respiratory protection must be used if the airborne contamination exceeds the recommended occupational exposure limit. Wear a suitable dust mask. Disposable filtering half mask respirators should comply with European Standard EN149 or EN405. Ensure all respiratory protective equipment is suitable for its intended use and is ‘CE’-marked. Check that the respirator fits tightly and the filter is changed regularly.

Environmental exposure controls
Avoid generation and spreading of dust.

SECTION 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 square edge.

Colour
Grey/Brown.

Odour
Odourless.

Odour threshold
No information available.

pH
Not relevant.

Melting point
Not determined.

Initial boiling point and range
Not relevant.

Flash point
Not relevant.

Evaporation rate
Not relevant.

Evaporation factor
Not relevant.

Flammability (solid, gas)
Not determined.

Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits
Not determined.

Other flammability
Not determined.

Vapour pressure
Not relevant.

Vapour density
Not relevant.

Relative density
Not determined.
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**Bulk density**  Not determined.
**Solubility(ies)**  Not determined.
**Partition coefficient**  Not determined.
**Auto-ignition temperature**  Not determined.
**Decomposition Temperature**  Not determined.
**Viscosity**  Not relevant.
**Explosive properties**  Not considered to be explosive.
**Oxidising properties**  Does not meet the criteria for classification as oxidising.

### 9.2. Other information

Other information  No information required.

### SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

#### 10.1. Reactivity

**Reactivity**  There are no known reactivity hazards associated with this product.

#### 10.2. Chemical stability

**Stability**  Stable at normal ambient temperatures and when used as recommended. Stable under the prescribed storage conditions.

#### 10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

**Possibility of hazardous reactions**  No potentially hazardous reactions known.

#### 10.4. Conditions to avoid

**Conditions to avoid**  Avoid generation and spreading of dust. Avoid exposure to high temperatures or direct sunlight.

#### 10.5. Incompatible materials

**Materials to avoid**  None known.

#### 10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

**Hazardous decomposition products**  Does not decompose when used and stored as recommended.

### SECTION 11: Toxicological information

#### 11.1. Information on toxicological effects

**Toxicological effects**  Not regarded as a health hazard under current legislation.

**Acute toxicity - oral**

**Summary**  Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

**Acute toxicity - dermal**

**Summary**  Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

**Acute toxicity - inhalation**

**Summary**  Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

**Skin corrosion/irritation**

**Summary**  Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.
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**Serious eye damage/irritation**
Summary: Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

**Respiratory sensitisation**
Summary: Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

**Skin sensitisation**
Summary: Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

**Germ cell mutagenicity**
Summary: Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

**Carcinogenicity**
Summary: Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

**Reproductive toxicity**
Summary: Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

**Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure**
Summary: Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

**Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure**
Summary: Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

**Aspiration hazard**
Summary: Not relevant. Solid.

**General information**
The product is considered to be a low hazard under normal conditions of use. No specific health hazards known. The severity of the symptoms described will vary dependent on the concentration and the length of exposure.

**Inhalation**
No specific symptoms known. Harmful dust may be released during cutting or grinding process. Frequent inhalation of dust over a long period of time increases the risk of developing lung diseases.

**Ingestion**
No specific symptoms known. May cause discomfort. Harmful dust may be released during cutting or grinding process.

**Skin contact**
Prolonged or repeated contact with skin may cause irritation, redness and dermatitis. Sharp edges and corners may cause cuts and abrasions.

**Eye contact**
Particles in the eyes may cause irritation and smarting.

**Route of exposure**
Dermal Inhalation Harmful dust may be released during cutting or grinding process.

**Target organs**
No specific target organs known.

**Toxicological information on ingredients.**

**Calcium sulfate dihydrate**

**Toxicological effects**
The toxicity of this substance has been assessed during REACH registration. Not regarded as a health hazard under current legislation.

**Acute toxicity - oral**

**Notes (oral LD₅₀)**
LD₅₀ >2000 mg/kg, Oral, Rat

**Acute toxicity - inhalation**

**Notes (inhalation LC₅₀)**
LC₅₀ >3.26 mg/l, 4 hours, Dust/Mist Rat
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Skin corrosion/irritation
Animal data Dose: 0.5 g, 4 hours, Rabbit Erythema/eschar score: No erythema (0). Oedema score: No oedema (0). Not irritating.

Serious eye damage/irritation
Serious eye damage/irritation Dose: 100 mg, , Rabbit Not irritating.

Skin sensitisation
Skin sensitisation Buehler test - Guinea pig: Not sensitising.

Germ cell mutagenicity
Genotoxicity - in vitro Bacterial reverse mutation test: Negative.
Genotoxicity - in vivo DNA damage and/or repair: Negative.

Carcinogenicity
Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

Reproductive toxicity
Summary This substance has no evidence of toxicity to reproduction.

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure
STOT - single exposure Not classified as a specific target organ toxicant after a single exposure.

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure
STOT - repeated exposure Not classified as a specific target organ toxicant after repeated exposure.

Aspiration hazard
Not relevant.

SECTION 12: Ecological information

Ecotoxicity Not regarded as dangerous for the environment. However, large or frequent spills may have hazardous effects on the environment.

12.1. Toxicity
Toxicity The product is not believed to present a hazard due to its physical nature.

Acute aquatic toxicity
Summary Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

Chronic aquatic toxicity
Summary Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

Ecological information on ingredients.

Calcium sulfate dihydrate
Toxicity Not toxic at limit of water solubility.

12.2. Persistence and degradability
Persistence and degradability The product contains mainly inorganic substances which are not biodegradable.

Ecological information on ingredients.

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### 12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

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### 12.6. Other adverse effects

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## SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

### 13.1. Waste treatment methods

**General information**
The generation of waste should be minimised or avoided wherever possible. Reuse or recycle products wherever possible. This material and its container must be disposed of in a safe way. Disposal of this product, process solutions, residues and by-products should at all times comply with the requirements of environmental protection and waste disposal legislation and any local authority requirements.

**Disposal methods**
Dispose of surplus products and those that cannot be recycled via a licensed waste disposal contractor. Waste packaging should be collected for reuse or recycling. Incineration or landfill should only be considered when recycling is not feasible. Waste should not be disposed of untreated to the sewer unless fully compliant with the requirements of the local water authority.

## SECTION 14: Transport information

**General**
The product is not covered by international regulations on the transport of dangerous goods (IMDG, IATA, ADR/RID).

### 14.1. UN number
Not applicable.
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14.2. UN proper shipping name
Not applicable.

14.3. Transport hazard class(es)
No transport warning sign required.

14.4. Packing group
Not applicable.

14.5. Environmental hazards
Environmentally hazardous substance/marine pollutant
No.

14.6. Special precautions for user
Not applicable.

14.7. Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL and the IBC Code
Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code
Not applicable.

SECTION 15: Regulatory information

15.1. Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture
National regulations
Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 (as amended).
The Carriage of Dangerous Goods and Use of Transportable Pressure Equipment Regulations 2009 (SI 2009 No. 1348) (as amended) ["CDG 2009"].
EH40/2005 Workplace exposure limits.

EU legislation

15.2. Chemical safety assessment
No chemical safety assessment has been carried out.
### Abbreviations and acronyms used in the safety data sheet

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<td>IATA</td>
<td>International Air Transport Association.</td>
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<td>Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air.</td>
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<td>ATE</td>
<td>Acute Toxicity Estimate.</td>
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<td>LC₅₀</td>
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### General Information
This SDS is not mandated under REACH Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 and is provided for information only. As supplied, this product does not meet the requirements for labelling.

### Training advice
Read and follow manufacturer's recommendations. Only trained personnel should use this material.

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