SAFETY DATA SHEET
Gyproc QuickSand

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

1.1. Product identifier
Product name Gyproc QuickSand

1.2. Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against
Identified uses Joint cement.
Uses advised against No specific uses advised against are identified.

1.3. Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet
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1.4. Emergency telephone number
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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 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.

2.2. Label elements
Hazard statements NC Not Classified
Precautionary statements P102 Keep out of reach of children.

2.3. Other hazards
This product does not contain any substances classified as PBT or vPvB.
Avoid inhalation of dust. Frequent inhalation of dust over a long period of time increases the risk of developing lung diseases.

SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients
3.2. Mixtures

**Limestone** 50 - 100%
CAS number: 1317-65-3
EC number: 215-279-6
Substance with National workplace exposure limits.

**Classification**
Not Classified

**Mica** 5 - <10%
CAS number: 12001-26-2
Substance with National workplace exposure limits.

**Classification**
Not Classified

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

**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**
Move affected person to fresh air and keep warm and at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. Maintain an open airway. Loosen tight clothing such as collar, tie or belt.

**Ingestion**
Rinse mouth thoroughly with water. 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. If vomiting occurs, the head should be kept low so that vomit does not enter the lungs. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Maintain an open airway. Loosen tight clothing such as collar, tie or belt.

**Skin contact**
Brush off loose particles from skin. Remove affected person from source of contamination. Rinse immediately with plenty of water.

**Eye contact**
Rinse immediately with plenty of water. Remove any contact lenses and open eyelids wide apart. Continue to rinse for at least 10 minutes.

**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**
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**
Dust may irritate the respiratory system. Frequent inhalation of dust over a long period of time increases the risk of developing lung diseases.

**Ingestion**
May cause discomfort if swallowed. May cause stomach pain or vomiting.

**Skin contact**
Prolonged contact may cause dryness of the skin. The product may form an alkaline solution in contact with water. May cause irritation.

**Eye contact**
Dust may cause slight irritation. The product may form an alkaline solution in contact with water. May irritate eyes.

### 4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

**Notes for the doctor**
Treat symptomatically.
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Specific treatments
No special treatment required.

SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

5.1. Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media
The product is not flammable. Extinguish with alcohol-resistant foam, carbon dioxide, dry powder or water fog. Use fire-extinguishing 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

Specific hazards
None known.

Hazardous combustion products
Thermal decomposition or combustion products may include the following substances: Harmful gases or vapours.

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
No action shall be taken without appropriate training or involving any personal risk. 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. Follow precautions for safe handling described in this safety data sheet. Wash thoroughly after dealing with a spillage.

6.2. Environmental precautions

Environmental precautions
Avoid discharge to the aquatic environment. Aquatic toxicity is unlikely to occur. 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. Avoid generation and spreading of dust. Small Spillages: Remove spillage with vacuum cleaner or collect with a shovel and broom, or similar. Large Spillages: Collect spillage with a shovel and broom, or similar and reuse, if possible. Collect and place in suitable waste disposal containers and seal securely. Containers with collected spillage must be properly labelled with correct contents and hazard symbol. Flush contaminated area with plenty of water. Wash thoroughly after dealing with a spillage. 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. 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. Wear protective clothing as described in Section 8 of this safety data sheet. Keep away from food, drink and animal feeding stuffs. Keep container tightly sealed when not in use. Avoid generation and spreading of dust. Avoid handling which leads to dust formation. Avoid inhalation of dust. The product may form an alkaline solution in contact with water. Avoid contact with eyes and prolonged skin contact.

Advice on general occupational hygiene
Wash promptly if skin becomes contaminated. Take off contaminated clothing. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. 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 a dry place. Store in accordance with local regulations.

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

Mica
Long-term exposure limit (8-hour TWA): WEL 0.8 mg/m³ respirable dust
Long-term exposure limit (8-hour TWA): WEL 10 mg/m³ inhalable dust

Kaolin
Long-term exposure limit (8-hour TWA): WEL 2 mg/m³ respirable dust

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]

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

Methanol
Long-term exposure limit (8-hour TWA): WEL 200 ppm 266 mg/m³
Short-term exposure limit (15-minute): WEL 250 ppm 333 mg/m³
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WEL = Workplace Exposure Limit.
Sk = Can be absorbed through the skin.

8.2. Exposure controls
Appropriate engineering controls
As this product contains ingredients with exposure limits, process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation or other engineering controls should be used to keep worker exposure below any statutory or recommended limits, if use generates dust, fumes, gas, vapour or mist. Provide extract ventilation at the points where emissions occur. Ensure the ventilation system is regularly maintained and tested.
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Eye/face protection
Eyewear complying with an approved standard should be worn if a risk assessment indicates eye contact is possible. Personal protective equipment for eye and face protection should comply with European Standard EN166. The following protection should be worn: Dust-resistant, chemical splash goggles.

Hand protection
For prolonged or repeated use and in the event of a large spillage: Wear protective gloves. The most suitable glove should be chosen in consultation with the glove supplier/manufacturer, who can provide information about the breakthrough time of the glove material. To protect hands from chemicals, gloves should comply with European Standard EN374. Considering the data specified by the glove manufacturer, check during use that the gloves are retaining their protective properties and change them as soon as any deterioration is detected. Frequent changes are recommended.

Other skin and body protection
Wear appropriate clothing to prevent repeated or prolonged skin contact.

Hygiene measures
Provide eyewash station and safety shower. Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace. Clean equipment and the work area every day. Good personal hygiene procedures should be implemented. Wash at the end of each work shift and before eating, smoking and using the toilet. 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. Respirator selection must be based on exposure levels, the hazards of the product and the safe working limits of the selected respirator. 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
Emissions from ventilation or work process equipment should be checked to ensure they comply with the requirements of environmental protection legislation.

SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

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Partition coefficient
No information available.
Auto-ignition temperature
No information available.
Decomposition Temperature
No information available.
Viscosity
Not applicable.
Explosive properties
Not considered to be explosive.
Oxidising properties
Does not meet the criteria for classification as oxidising.

9.2. Other information
None.

SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

10.1. Reactivity
Reactivity
See the other subsections of this section for further details.

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 handling which leads to dust formation.

10.5. Incompatible materials
Materials to avoid
Avoid contact with acids.

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.

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

Respiratory sensitisation

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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
This product has not been tested on animals. Data for ingredients is based on historical evidence.

Inhalation
Dust may irritate the respiratory system. Frequent inhalation of dust over a long period of time increases the risk of developing lung diseases.

Ingestion
May cause discomfort if swallowed. May cause stomach pain or vomiting.

Skin contact
Prolonged contact may cause dryness of the skin.

Eye contact
Dust may cause slight irritation.

Route of exposure
Ingestion Inhalation Skin and/or eye contact

Target organs
No specific target organs known.

Toxicological information on ingredients.

Limestone

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

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
Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

Ecological information on ingredients.

Limestone

Toxicity
Not regarded as dangerous for the environment.

12.2. Persistence and degradability
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**Persistence and degradability**  The degradability of the product is not known.

**Ecological information on ingredients.**

**Limestone**

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

12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

**Bioaccumulative potential**  No data available on bioaccumulation.

**Partition coefficient**  No information available.

**Ecological information on ingredients.**

**Limestone**

**Bioaccumulative potential**  No data available on bioaccumulation.

12.4. Mobility in soil

**Mobility**  Slightly soluble in water. Hardens in contact with water.

**Ecological information on ingredients.**

**Limestone**

**Mobility**  Slightly soluble in water.

12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

**Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**  This product does not contain any substances classified as PBT or vPvB.

**Ecological information on ingredients.**

**Limestone**

**Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**  This substance is not classified as PBT or vPvB according to current EU criteria.

12.6. Other adverse effects

**Other adverse effects**  None known.

**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. 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**
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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.

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.

SECTION 16: Other information
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Abbreviations and acronyms used in the safety data sheet

ADR: European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road.
ADN: European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterways.
RID: European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail.
IATA: International Air Transport Association.
IMDG: International Maritime Dangerous Goods.
CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service.
ATE: Acute Toxicity Estimate.
LC₅₀: Lethal Concentration to 50 % of a test population.
LD₅₀: Lethal Dose to 50% of a test population (Median Lethal Dose).
EC₅₀: 50% of maximal Effective Concentration.
PBT: Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic substance.
vPvB: Very Persistent and Very Bioaccumulative.

Key literature references and sources for data

Classification procedures according to Regulation (EC) 1272/2008
Not classified.: On basis of test data., Calculation method.

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

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