

# **MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET**

Section 1: Identification of the Substance and of the Company Undertaking

Name of Product: Carbon fibre stitched fabrics

**Chemical Formula:** Carbon Fibre (>98%), partially cured epoxy resin (<2%)

**Product Types:** Various stitched fabrics

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**Section 2: Hazards Identification** 

**Emergency Overview:** This product is stable and not flammable under normal industrial conditions.

Finely dispersed fibre may irritate skin, eyes and mucous membrane - No case

of disease reported.

Primary Route(s) of

Entry:

Inhalation

Signs and Symptoms of

Overexposure:

Rash, itching, conjunctivitis, coughing, sneezing

**Chronic)/Carcinogenity** 

Status:

See Section 11

Medical Conditions
Aggravated by Exposure:

None known

EC Labelling

Not a dangerous substance or preparation

Classification:

## **Section 3: Composition/Information on Ingredients**

Ingredients	% Weight	Control Limit
Carbon fibre	>95%	To be considered as a (non respirable) "nuisance" dust.
Partially cured epoxy sizing	<2%	None established
Polyester stitching fibre	0.5 – 5%	None established

### **Section 4: First Aid Measures**

**Eye Contact**: Flush eyes with clear water for at least 15 minutes – seek medical attention

**Skin Contact**: Rinse contact areas with room temperature to cool water, then wash gently

with mild soap.

**Inhalation:** Move the victim to fresh air - If irritation persists, seek medical attention

**If swallowed:** Seek medical attention

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# **Section 5: Fire Fighting Measures**

Suitable extinguishing

All methods

methods:

#### **Section 6: Accidental Release Measures**

Steps to be taken in case

No special precautions

material is released or

spilled:

Avoid worsening the dispersion

**Environmental Precautions:** 

Cleaning Methods: Aspiration using a dust mask or face mask rated to particulate filtration

standards. Nitrile gloves or better for skin protection.

#### **Section 7: Handling and Storage**

Precautions to be taken

in Handling:

Avoid the dispersion of loose fibres – handle the fibre in well ventilated premises where there are no electrical appliances or said appliances are

protected in sealed or pressurised cases.

Precautions to be taken

in Storage:

For optimum performance, Formax UK Limited fabrics should be stored at a temperature less than 25°C and a relative humidity less than 65%. Sizing will

degrade over time, product is recommended to be used within 12 months of

manufacture.

#### **Section 8: Exposure Controls/Personal Protection**

**Respiratory Protection:** Dust mask rated to particulate filtration P3

**Skin Contact**: Adequate protective gloves (surgical or cotton type)

**Eye Protection:** Safety glasses with side shields should be worn

Other Protective Use of overalls, long trousers, and good personal hygiene will maximise

**Equipment:** comfort – a protective cream for the skin may be useful.

## **Section 9: Physical and Chemical Properties**

**Physical State:** Solid **Softening Temp:** N/A Form: Filament fibre **Decomposition Temp:** N/A **Colour:** Black Inflammation Temp: N/A **Odour: Odourless Self-combusting Temp:** N/A pH Concentration: N/A **Explosiveness:** N/A **Volumic Mass:**  $1.6 - 2.0g/m^3$ Steam Pressure: N/A

Solubility: Insoluble fibre Solvent Solubility: Sizing soluble in acetone

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## **Section 10: Stability and Reactivity**

Stability: Stable

Conditions to avoid: None known

Incompatibility (Material None known

to Avoid):

# **Section 11: Toxicological Information**

**Acute Toxicity**: Product presumed non-toxic

**Local effects**: Possible irritation of mucous membrane

# **Section 12: Ecological Information**

No known effects

## **Section 13: Disposal Considerations**

Carbon fibre is generally considered to be an inert solid waste not requiring hazardous waste disposal procedures.

#### **Section 14: Transport Information**

There are no special precautions or restrictions involving transport of carbon fibre known to Formax UK Limited

# **Section 15: Regulatory Information**

N/A

#### **Section 16: Miscellaneous Information**

We believe that the information contained in this safety data sheet is correct to the best of our knowledge. However the information contained in this sheet is not exhaustive. This safety data sheet does not anticipate all the circumstances in which the product may be used, nor all the physical and mental characteristics of each individual responsible for its transportation or transformation. It is the duty of the user to test and use this product safely, in accordance with the laws and regulations in force. Unless otherwise stated in writing, we do not accept responsibility for complaints or damage caused related to the use of this product.

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