



1 Identification

GHS Product Identifier

RSBD-HD

Other means of identification

Ceramic Fiber Board.

Recommended use of the chemical and restriction on use

Primary Use: Refractory Ceramic Fiber (RCF) materials are used primarily in industrial high temperature insulating applications. Examples include heat shields, heat containment, gaskets, expansion joints, industrial furnaces, ovens, kilns, boilers and other process equipment at applications up to 1400°C. RCF based products are not intended for direct sale to the general public. While RCFs are used in the manufacture of some consumer products, such as catalytic converter mats and wood burning stoves, the materials are contained, encapsulated, or bonded within the units.

Supplier's details

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Emergency phone number

CHEMTREC will provide assistance for chemical emergencies. Call **1-800-424-9300**

2 Hazard(s) identification

Classification of the substance or mixture

(a) Classification of the chemical in accordance with paragraph (d) of §1910.1200

The U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Hazard Communication Standard (HCS) 2012

indicates that IARC Group 2B corresponds to OSHA HCS 2012 Category 2 carcinogen classification (see, e.g.,

§1910.1200, Appendix F, Part D).

(b) Signal word, hazard statement(s), symbol(s) and precautionary statement(s) in accordance with paragraph (f)

of §1910.1200

Under OSHA HCS 2012, RCF is classified as a category 2 carcinogen.

GHS label elements



Causes mild skin irritation

Use personal protective equipment as required.

Other hazards which do not result in classification

Signal Word

Warning

Hazard Statements

Suspected of causing cancer by inhalation.

Precautionary statements

Do not handle until all safety instructions have been read and understood.

Use respiratory protection as required; see section 8 of the Safety Data Sheet.

If concerned about exposure, get medical advice.

Store in a manner to minimize airborne dust.

Dispose of waste in accordance with local, state and federal regulations.

Supplementary Information

May cause temporary mechanical irritation to exposed eyes, skin or respiratory tract.

Minimize exposure to airborne dust.

(c) Describe any hazards not otherwise classified that have been identified during the classification process

Mild mechanical irritation to skin, eyes and upper respiratory system may result from exposure.

These effects are usually temporary.

(d) Mixture rule

Not applicable.

3 Composition/information on ingredients

Description	CAS Number	EINECS Number	%	Note
Aluminosilicate Refractory Fibers,	1302-76-7	215-106-4	60 - 65	
Calcined kaolin clay	1332-58-7	265-064-6	15 - 20	
Silica (amorphous)	60676-86-0	231-545-4	10 - 15	
Starch	9005-25-8		5 - 10	

4 First-aid measures

Description of necessary first-aid measures

SKIN

Handling of this material may generate mild mechanical temporary skin irritation. If this occurs, rinse affected areas with water and wash gently. Do not rub or scratch exposed skin.

EYE

In case of eye contact flush abundantly with water; have eye bath available. Do not rub eyes.

NOSE AND THROAT

If these become irritated move to a dust free area, drink water and blow nose.

If symptoms persist, seek medical advice.

Gastrointestinal

If gastrointestinal tract irritation develops, move the person to a dust free environment.

Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed

Mild mechanical irritation to skin, eyes and upper respiratory system may result from exposure.

These effects are usually temporary.

Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed, if necessary

NOTES TO PHYSICIANS Skin and respiratory effects are the result of temporary, mild mechanical irritation; exposure does not result in allergic manifestations.

5 Fire-fighting measures

Suitable extinguishing media

Non-combustible products, class of reaction to fire is zero.
Packaging and surrounding materials may be combustible.
Use extinguishing agent suitable for surrounding combustible materials.

Specific hazards arising from the chemical

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Special protective actions for fire-fighters

NFPA Codes: Flammability: 0 Health: 1 Reactivity: 0 Special: 0

6 Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Minimize airborne dust. Compressed air or dry sweeping should not be used for cleaning. See Section 8 "Exposure Controls / Personal Protection" for exposure guidelines.

Environmental precautions

None.

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Frequently clean the work area with HEPA filtered vacuum or wet sweeping to minimize the accumulation of debris. Do not use compressed air for clean-up.

7 Handling and storage

Precautions for safe handling

Handle fiber carefully to minimize airborne dust. Limit use of power tools unless in conjunction with local exhaust ventilation. Use hand tools whenever possible. (See section 8)

Service significantly above the product design temperature may increase friability and the possibility of generating airborne fibers or particulates. not considered problematic during use, airborne fibers may complicate removal activities. is recommended that product use be carefully matched to design parameters.

After Service: AS MANUFACTURED THIS PRODUCT IS COMPRISED OF ALUMINA AND SILICA WHICH MAY TRANSFORM UPON HEATING (TEMPERATURES GREATER THAN 1000°C FOR EXTENDED PERIODS OF TIME) TO NON-HAZARDOUS MULLITE AND CRISTOBALITE (CAS # 14464-46-1), A FORM OF CRYSTALLINE SILICA. OF THIS PRODUCT AFTER USE MY GENERATE DUSTS. OR REPEATED INHALATION OF RESPIRABLE FREE CRYSTALLINE SILICA DUST MAY CAUSE DELAYED LUNG INJURY (SILICOSIS). THE IARC WORKING GROUP CONCLUDED THAT CRYSTALLINE SILICA, IN THE FORM OF QUARTZ OR CRISTOBALITE, FROM OCCUPATIONAL SOURCES POSED A CARCINOGENIC RISK TO HUMANS (CATEGORY 1). IS SUFFICIENT EVIDENCE OF CARCINOGENICITY IN ANIMALS, BUT LIMITED EVIDENCE IN HUMANS.'S FINAL RULE LIMIT AND ACGIH'S TLV FOR RESPIRABLE CRISTOBALITE IS 0.05 MG/M³. VENTILATION AND RESPIRATORY PROTECTION SHOULD BE PROVIDED IN COMPLIANCE WITH OSHA

STANDARDS.ADHERENCE TO RECOMMENDED SAFE WORK PRACTICES IS ADVISED.PRODUCT REMOVAL MUST CONSIDER THE POSSIBILITY OF USAGE ABOVE DESIGN TEMPERATURES.

Product removal must consider the possibility of usage above design temperatures.section 8 for appropriate respiratory protection during removal.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store in a manner to minimize airborne dust.

EMPTY CONTAINERS

Product packaging may contain residue. Do not reuse.

8 Exposure controls/personal protection

Control parameters

(ACGIH) Threshold Limit Value (TLV), and any other exposure limit used or recommended by the chemical manufacturer, importer, or employer preparing the safety data sheet, where available .

Components	OSHA PEL	NIOSH REL	ACGIH TLV	MANUFACTURER
Refractory Ceramic Fiber (RCF)	None established*	0.5 f/cc, 8-hr. TWA	0.2 f/cc TLV, 8-hr. TWA	0.5 f/cc, 8-hr. TWA**
Calcined kaolin clay	5 mg/m ³ PEL (resp. dust) 15 mg/m ³ PEL (total dust)		2 mg/m ³	None established
Silica (amorphous)	20 mppcf or 80 mg/m ³ / % SiO ₂		10 mg/m ³	None established
Starch	5 mg/m ³ PEL (resp. dust) 15 mg/m ³ PEL (total dust)		10 mg/m ³ .	None established

None established

*Except for the state of California, where the PEL for RCF is 0.2 f/cc 8-hr TWA, there is no specific regulatory standard for RCF in the U.S. OSHA’s “Particulate Not Otherwise Regulated (PNOR)” standard [29 CFR 1910.1000, Subpart Z, Air Contaminants] applies generally - Total Dust Total Dust 15 mg/m³; Respirable Fraction 5 mg/m³.

**In the absence of an OSHA PEL, HTIW Coalition has adopted a recommended exposure guideline (REG), as measured under NIOSH Method 7400 B. For further information on the history and development of the REG see “Rationale for the Recommended Exposure Guideline” at page 34 of the HTIW Coalition Product Stewardship Program http://www.htiwcoalition.org/documents/PSP_2012.pdf .

OTHER OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURE LEVELS (OEL)

RCF-related occupational exposure limits vary internationally. Regulatory OEL examples include: California, 0.2 f/cc; Canadian provincial OELs ranging from 0.2 to 1.0 f/cc. The objectives and criteria underlying each of these OEL decisions also vary. The evaluation of occupational exposure limits and determining their relative applicability to the workplace is best performed, on a case-by-case basis, by a qualified Industrial Hygienist.

Appropriate engineering controls

Use engineering controls such as local exhaust ventilation, point of generation dust collection, down draft work stations, emission controlling tool designs, and materials handling equipment designed to minimize airborne fiber emissions.

Individual protection measures

Skin Protection

Wear gloves, head coverings and full body clothing as necessary to prevent skin irritation. Washable or disposable clothing may be used. If possible, do not take unwashed clothing home. If soiled work clothing must be taken home, employers should ensure employees are thoroughly trained on the best practices to minimize non-work dust exposure (e.g., vacuum clothes before leaving the work area, wash work clothing separately, rinse washer before washing other household clothes, etc.).

Eye Protection

As necessary, wear goggles or safety glasses with side shields.

Respiratory Protection

When engineering and/or administrative controls are insufficient to maintain workplace concentrations below the applicable level, the use of appropriate respiratory protection, pursuant to the requirements of OSHA Standards 29 CFR 1910.134 and 29 CFR 1926.103, is recommended. A NIOSH certified respirator with a filter efficiency of at least 95% should be used. The 95% filter efficiency recommendation is based on NIOSH respirator selection logic sequence for exposure to particulates. Selection of filter efficiency (i.e. 95%, 99% or 99.97%) depends on how much filter leakage can be accepted and the concentration of airborne contaminants. Other factors to consider are the NIOSH filter series N, R or P. (N)Not resistant to oil, (R)Resistant to oil and (P) oilProof. These recommendations are not designed to limit informed choices, provided that respiratory protection decisions comply with 29 CFR 1910.134.

The evaluation of workplace hazards and the identification of appropriate respiratory protection is best performed, on a case by case basis, by a qualified Industrial Hygienist.

9 Physical and chemical properties

Physical and chemical properties

(a) Appearance	White, fibrous wool
(b) Odor	Odorless
(c) Odor threshold	Not applicable
(d) pH	Not applicable
(e) Melting point	1760° C (3200° F)
(f) Initial boiling point and boiling range	Not applicable
(g) Flash point	Not applicable
(h) Evaporation rate	Not applicable
(i) Flammability	Not applicable
(j) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits	Not applicable
(k) Vapor pressure	Not applicable
(l) Vapor density	Not applicable
(m) Relative density	2.50 – 2.75
(n) Solubility	Insoluble
(o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	Not applicable
(p) Auto-ignition temperature	Not applicable
(q) Decomposition temperature	Not applicable
(r) Viscosity	Not applicable

10 Stability and reactivity

Reactivity

Non-reactive.

Chemical stability

As supplied RCF is stable and inert.

Possibility of hazardous reactions

None.

Conditions to avoid

Please refer to handling and storage advice in Section 7.

Incompatible materials

Powerful oxidizers; fluorine, chlorine trifluoride, manganese trioxide; oxygen difluoride, etc.

Hazardous decomposition products

Thermal decomposition of binder from fires or from first heat of product may release smoke, carbon monoxide, and carbon dioxide. Use adequate ventilation or other precautions to eliminate exposure to vapors resulting from thermal decomposition of binder. Exposure to thermal decomposition fumes may cause respiratory tract,

11 Toxicological information

Toxicological (health) effects

For more details on scientific publications referenced in this SDS see

<http://www.htiwcoalition.org/publications.html>

(a) through (d)

TOXICOKINETICS, METABOLISM AND DISTRIBUTION

Basic Toxicokinetics

Exposure is predominantly by inhalation or ingestion. Man-made vitreous fibers of a similar size to RCF have not been shown to migrate from the lung and/or gut and do not become located in other organs of the body.

Human Toxicological Data/Epidemiology Data

In order to determine possible human health effects following RCF exposure, the University of Cincinnati has been conducting medical surveillance studies on RCF workers in the U.S.A; this epidemiological study has been ongoing for 25 years and medical surveillance of RCF workers continues. The Institute of Occupational Medicine (IOM) has conducted medical surveillance studies on RCF workers in European manufacturing facilities.

Pulmonary morbidity studies among production workers in the U.S.A. and Europe have demonstrated an absence of interstitial fibrosis. In the European study a reduction of lung capacity among smokers has been identified, however, based on the latest results from a longitudinal study of workers in the U.S.A. with over 17-year follow-up, there has been no accelerated rate of loss of lung function (McKay et al. 2011).

A statistically significant correlation between pleural plaques and cumulative RCF exposure was evidenced in the U.S.A. longitudinal study.

The U.S.A. mortality study showed no excess mortality related to all deaths, all cancer, or malignancies or diseases of the respiratory system including mesothelioma (LeMasters et al. 2003).

Information on Toxicological Effects

· *Acute toxicity: short term inhalation*

No data available: Short term tests have been undertaken to determine fiber (bio) solubility rather than toxicity; repeat dose inhalation tests have been undertaken to determine chronic toxicity and carcinogenicity.

· *Acute toxicity: oral*

No data available: Repeated dose studies have been carried out using gavage. No effect was found.

· *Skin corrosion/irritation*

Not a chemical irritant according to test method OECD no. 404.

· *Serious eye damage/irritation*

Not possible to obtain acute toxicity information due to the morphology and chemical inertness of the substance.

· *Respiratory or skin sensitization*

No evidence from human epidemiological studies of any respiratory or skin sensitization potential.

· *Germ cell mutagenicity/genotoxicity*

Method: In vitro micronucleus test

Species: Hamster (CHO)

Dose: 1-35 mg/ml

Routes of administration: In suspension

Results: Negative

· *Carcinogenicity*

Method: Inhalation, multi-dose

Species: Rat

Dose: 3 mg/m³, 9 mg/m³ and 16 mg/m³ Routes of administration: Nose only inhalation

Results: Fibrosis just reached significant levels at 16 and 9 mg/m³ but not at 3 mg/m³. None of the parenchymal tumor incidences were higher than the historical control values for this strain of animal.

Method: Inhalation, single dose

Species: Rat

Dose: 30 mg/m³

Routes of administration: Nose only inhalation

Results: Rats were exposed to a single concentration of 200 WHO fibers/ml specially prepared RCF for 24 months. High incidence of exposure-related pulmonary neoplasms (bronchoalveolar adenomas and carcinomas) was observed. A small number of mesotheliomas were observed in each of the fiber exposure groups (Mast et al 1995a).

Method: Inhalation, single dose

Species: Hamster

Dose: 30 mg/m³

Routes of administration: Nose only inhalation

Results: Hamsters were exposed to a single concentration of 260 WHO fibers/ml specially prepared RCF for 18 months and developed lung fibrosis, a significant number of pleural mesotheliomas (42/102) but no primary lung tumors (McConnell et al 1995).

Method: Inhalation, single dose

Species: Rat

Dose: RCF1: 130 F/ml and 50 mg/m³ (25% of non fibrous particles)

RCF1a: 125 F/ml and 26 mg/m³ (2% of non fibrous particles)

Routes of administration: Nose only inhalation

Results: Rats were exposed to RCF1 and RCF1a for 3 weeks. The objective of the study was to compare lung retention and biological effects of the original RCF1 compared to RCF1a. The main difference of these 2 samples was the non-fibrous particle content of respectively 25% versus 2%. The post treatment observation was 12 months. Alveolar clearance was barely retarded after RCF1A exposure. After RCF1 exposure, however, a severe retardation of clearance was observed. (Bellmann et al 2001).

After intraperitoneal injection of ceramic fibers into rats in three experiments (Smith et al 1987, Pott et al 1987, Davis et al 1984), mesotheliomas were found in the abdominal cavity in two studies, while the third report (Pott et al 1987) had incomplete histopathology. Only a few mesotheliomas were found in the abdominal cavity of hamsters after intraperitoneal injection in one experiment (Smith et al 1987). However, the ceramic fibers tested were of relatively large diameter. When rats and hamsters were exposed via intraperitoneal injection, tumor incidence

was related to fiber length and dose (Smith et al 1987, Pott et al 1987, Miller et al 1999, Pott et al 1989). (From SCOEL publication (EU Scientific Committee on Occupational Exposure Limits) SCOEL/SUM/165, September 2011).

· *Reproductive toxicity*

Method: Gavage

Species: Rat

Dose: 250mg/kg/day

Routes of administration: Oral

Results: No effects were seen in an OECD 421 screening study. There are no reports of any reproductive toxic effects of mineral fibers. Exposure to these fibers is via inhalation and effects seen are in the lung. Clearance of

fibers is via the gut and the feces, so exposure of the reproductive organs is extremely unlikely.

Information on the likely routes of exposure

Not Applicable.

Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics

Not Applicable.

Delayed and immediate effects and also chronic effects from short and long term exposure

Not Applicable.

Numerical measures of toxicity (such as acute toxicity estimates)

Not Applicable.

Interactive effects

Not Applicable.

Where specific chemical data are not available

Not Applicable.

Mixtures

Not Applicable.

Mixture versus ingredient information

Not Applicable.

12 Ecological information

Toxicity

No known aquatic toxicity.

Persistence and degradability

These products are insoluble materials that remain stable over time and are chemically identical to inorganic compounds found in the soil and sediment; they remain inert in the natural environment.

Bioaccumulative potential

No bioaccumulative potential.

Mobility in soil

No mobility in soil.

Other adverse effects

No adverse effects of this material on the environment are anticipated.

13 Disposal considerations

Disposal methods

WASTE MANAGEMENT

To prevent waste materials from becoming airborne during waste storage, transportation and disposal, a

covered container or plastic bagging is recommended.

DISPOSAL

This product, as manufactured, is not classified as a hazardous waste according to Federal regulations (40 CFR 261). Any processing, use, alteration or chemical additions to the product, as purchased, may alter the disposal requirements. Under Federal regulations, it is the waste generator's responsibility to properly characterize a waste material, to determine if it is a "hazardous" waste. Check local, regional, state or provincial regulations to identify all applicable disposal requirements.

14 Transport information

UN Number

Not Applicable.

UN Proper Shipping Name

Not Applicable.

Transport hazard class(es)

Not Applicable.

Packing group, if applicable

Not Applicable.

Environmental hazards

Not a marine pollutant.

Special precautions for user

Not Applicable.

Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code

Canadian TDG Hazard Class & PIN: Not regulated

Not classified as dangerous goods under ADR (road), RID (train) or IMDG (ship).

15 Regulatory information

Safety, health and environmental regulations specific for the product in question

UNITED STATES REGULATIONS

EPA Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) Title III - this product does not contain any substances reportable under Sections 302, 304, 313, (40 CFR 372). Sections 311 and 312 (40 CFR 370) apply (delayed hazard).

Hazard Categories: Immediate Hazard – No

Delayed Hazard – Yes

Fire Hazard – No

Pressure Hazard – No

Reactivity Hazard - No

Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) - RCF is not required to be listed on the TSCA inventory.

Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act(CERCLA) and the **Clean Air Act (CAA)** - this product contains fibers with an average diameter greater than one micron and thus is not considered a hazardous air pollutant.

OSHA Comply with **Hazard Communication Standards** 29 CFR 1910.1200 and 29 CFR 1926.59 and the **Respiratory Protection Standards** 29 CFR 1910.134 and 29 CFR 1926.103.

California "Ceramic fibers (airborne particles of respirable size)" is listed in **Proposition 65, The Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986** as a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer.

Other States RCF products are not known to be regulated by states other than California; however, state and

local

OSHA and EPA regulations may apply to these products. If in doubt, contact your local regulatory agency.

INTERNATIONAL REGULATIONS

Canada Canadian Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (WHMIS) – Classified as Class D2A – Materials

Causing Other Toxic Effects

Canadian Environmental Protection Act (CEPA) - All substances in this product are listed, as required, on the Domestic

Substance List (DSL)

Europe Integration of RCF into ANNEX XV of the REACH Regulation

RCF is classified under the CLP (classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures) regulation as a category

1B carcinogen. On January 13, 2010 the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) updated the candidate list for authorization

(Annex XV of the REACH regulation) and added 14 new substances in this list including aluminosilicate refractory

ceramic fibers.

As a consequence, EU (European Union) or EEA (European Economic Area) suppliers of articles which contain aluminosilicate

refractory ceramic fibers in a concentration above 0.1% (w/w) have to provide sufficient information, available to them, to their customers or upon requests to a consumer within 45 days of the receipt of the request. This information

must ensure safe use of the article, and as minimum contains the name of the substance.

16 Other information

Other information

The HTIW Coalition and the U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) are partners in PSP HTW, a comprehensive, multi-faceted risk management program designed to control and reduce workplace exposures to high temperature insulation wools (HTIW). For more information regarding PSP HTW, please visit <http://www.htiwcoalition.org>

DEFINITIONS

ACGIH: American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

ADR: Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road (International Regulation)

CAA: Clean Air Act

CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service

CERCLA: Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act

DSL: Domestic Substances List

EPA: Environmental Protection Agency

EU: European Union

f/cc: Fibers per cubic centimeter

HEPA: High Efficiency Particulate Air

HMIS: Hazardous Materials Identification System

IARC: International Agency for Research on Cancer

IATA: International Air Transport Association

IMDG: International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code

mg/m³: Milligrams per cubic meter of air

mmpcf: Million particles per cubic meter

NFPA: National Fire Protection Association

NIOSH: National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

OSHA: Occupational Safety and Health Administration

29 CFR 1910.134 & 1926.103: OSHA Respiratory Protection Standards

29 CFR 1910.1200 & 1926.59: OSHA Hazard Communication Standards

PEL: Permissible Exposure Limit (OSHA)

PIN: Product Identification Number

PNOC: Particulates Not Otherwise Classified

PNOR: Particulates Not Otherwise Regulated

PSP: Product Stewardship Program

RCRA: Resource Conservation and Recovery Act

REL: Recommended Exposure Limit (NIOSH)

RID: Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail (International Regulations)

SARA: Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act

SARA Title III: Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know Act

SARA Section 302: Extremely Hazardous Substances

SARA Section 304: Emergency Release

SARASection 311: MSDS/List of Chemicals and Hazardous Inventory

SARASection 312: Emergency and Hazardous Inventory

SARA Section 313: Toxic Chemicals and Release Reporting

STEL: Short Term Exposure Limit`

SVF: Synthetic Vitreous Fiber

TDG: Transportation of Dangerous Goods

TLV: Threshold Limit Value (ACGIH)

TSCA: Toxic Substances Control Act

TWA: Time Weighted Average

WHMIS: Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (Canada)

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