

## Material Safety Data Sheet

### 1. Product Identification

Product	Manufacturer
Guardboard™	Guardboard 62A Lipton Dr Thomastown, Vic 3074 Australia

### 2. Ingredients/Identity Information

Name	CAS Numbers *	% Total **
Unbleached virgin pulp (80%) and recycled pulp (20%) (mostly cellulose)	None	97-98
Retention aid (polyacrylamide)	Several	0.05-0.08
Drainage aid (bentonite)	Several	0.2-0.3
Defoamer (papermachine, oil in water)	Mixture	<0.01
Alum (aluminium sulphate)	7784-26-1	0-1
Cationic rosin	Mixture	0-1
Sodium hydrosulphite (optional)	7775-14-6	0-1
Biocides (papermachine)	Several	Negligible #
Dye (red and yellow)	Mixture	0-1

\* CAS nos. are assigned to discrete chemical entities and not assigned to mixtures.

\*\* Additives are estimated on dosages. Most can be detected but very hard to quantify, as they are present in such small amounts.

# Biocides are designed to degrade rapidly.

### 3. Physical & Chemical Properties

**Form:** Solid sheet in paper roll

**Colour:** Brown

**Odour:** Neutral

**Change in physical state:** None until contact with fire or water

**Flash Point:** No development of volatile and inflammable vapours

**Autoignition Temperature:** 232°C

**Water solubility:** Insoluble

### 4. Hazards Identification

**Primary health hazard:** The primary health hazard posed by this product is thought to be due to exposure to dust.

**Primary route of exposure:**

- Ingestion:
- Skin:
- Inhalation: Dust

**Medical Conditions Generally Aggravated by Exposure:** Cellulose dust may aggravate pre-existing respiratory conditions or allergies.

**Chronic Health Hazards:** Paper (cellulose) dust is a biologically inert dust that has little or no effect on the lungs and does not produce significant organic disease or toxic effect when allowable exposure limits are met.

**Carcinogenic listing:** Not listed.

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### 5. First Aid Measures

**Ingestion:** Not applicable for product in purchased form.

**Eye contact:** Dust may mechanically irritate eyes, resulting in redness or watering. Treat dust in eye as foreign object. Flush with water to remove dust particles. Get medical help if irritation persists.

**Skin contact:** Not applicable for product in purchased form.

**Skin absorption:** Not applicable for product in purchased form.

**Inhalation:** Excessive dust concentrations may cause unpleasant obstruction in the nasal passages. Remove to fresh air. Get medical help if persistent irritation, severe coughing or breathing difficulty occurs.

### 6. Fire Fighting Measures

**Special Firefighting Procedures:** None

**Extinguishing medium:** Water

**Unusual Fire and Explosion Hazards:** Depending on moisture content, particle diameter and rate of heating, cellulose dust may explode in the presence of an ignition source.

### 7. Accidental Release Measures

**Steps to be taken in Case Material is Released or Spilled:** Not applicable for product in purchased form. Sweep or vacuum dust for recovery or disposal. Minimize compressed air blowdown or other practices that generate high dust levels.

### 8. Handling and Storage

**Precautions to be Taken in Handling and Storage:** No special handling precautions are required. Keep in a cool, dry place away from open flame. Avoid storage near strong oxidizing agents e.g. strong oxidizing agents, open flame and sparks.

### 9. Exposure Control Measures

#### Personal Protective Equipment:

RESPIRATORY PROTECTION - Not applicable for product in purchased form. An approved respirator is recommended when allowable exposure limits may be exceeded.

PROTECTIVE GLOVES - Not applicable for product in purchased form. However, cloth or canvas gloves are recommended to minimize potential mechanical irritation from handling product.

EYE PROTECTION - Not applicable for product in purchased form. However, goggles or safety glasses are recommended if the product is used in such a way as to generate high dust levels.

OTHER PROTECTIVE CLOTHING OR EQUIPMENT - Not applicable for product in purchased form. Outer garments may be desirable in extremely dusty areas.

WORK HYGIENE PRACTICES - Not applicable for product in purchased form.

#### Ventilation:

LOCAL EXHAUST - Provide local exhaust as needed so that exposure limits are met.

MECHANICAL (GENERAL) - Provide general ventilation in progressing and storage areas so that exposure limits are met.

SPECIAL - None.

OTHER - None.

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**Stability:** Stable

**Conditions to avoid:** None

**Materials to Avoid:** Avoid contact with strong oxidizing agents e.g. sulphuric acid, hydrogen peroxide, open flame and sparks.

**Hazardous Decomposition and By -products:** Combustion products included carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide.

**11. Toxicological Information**

None available for product in purchased form.

**12. Ecological Information**

These products are biodegradable and not known for any ecotoxicity.

**13. Disposal Considerations**

**Waste Disposal Method:** Product can be recycled, deposited in a landfill or incinerated in accordance with federal, state and local regulations.

**14. Transport Information**

Not regulated as a hazardous material under transport regulations. UN number not applicable.

**15. Other Information**

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