

CANADIAN SAFE USE INSTRUCTION SHEET

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0. General Information

This Safe Use Instruction Sheet is the document provided by Owens Corning to communicate recommended safe handling and use instructions for manufactured articles not regulated by the Canada Hazardous Products Regulation SOR/2015-17 (WHMIS 2015)

1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION			
Product Name	Continuous Filament Glass Fiber Products: Wet Used Chopped Strands		
Synonyms	WUCS, Wet-Use Chopped Strand, Wet Chopped Strand, 9550, 9560, 9570, 9580, 9581, 9582, 2301, 777B, 777C, 777S, 9501, 9503, 790C, 790C HS, 9703, 691A, 1530, 1545		
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Recommended Use	Industrial use, reinforcement of plastic		
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2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION			
Regulatory Status	This product is not classified as hazardous according to the Canadian Hazardous Products Regulation SOR/2015-17 Continuous Filament Glass Fiber (CFGF) Products are manufactured articles Manufactured articles which meet the definition of the Canadian Hazardous Products Act (any article that is formed to a specific shape or design during manufacture, the intended use of which when in that form is dependent in whole or in part on its shape or design, and that when being installed if the intended use of the article requires it to be installed and		

that, when being installed, if the intended use of the article requires it to be installed, and
under normal conditions of use, will not release or otherwise cause an individual to be
exposed to a hazardous product) are not regulated by the Canadian Hazardous Products
Regulation SOR/2015-17Other InformationAs manufactured continuous filament glass fibers are non-respirable. May cause temporary
skin and mucous membranes itching due to mechanical abrasion effect of fibers. Under
normal conditions of use, these products may release dust and non-respirable fibers
(Particulates Not Otherwise Regulated). Under severe process conditions (e.g. shredding,
crushing), these products may release very small amount of respirable particulate, some of

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

See Section 8 for Exposure Limit Data

which may be fiber-like in terms of I/d ratio (so-called "shards").

CFGF products are made of glass which is given a specific shape (filament) and dimension (filament diameter). A surface treatment (sizing) is applied to the filaments which are gathered to form a strand. The strand is further processed into a specific product design according to the downstream use of the article. The sizing is a mixture of chemicals, i.e. coupling agent, film former

and polymeric resin/emulsion. The sizing content is usually below 3%

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Description of First Aid Measures

Eye contact	 DO NOT rub or scratch eyes Immediately flush with plenty of water. After initial flushing, remove any contact lenses and continue flushing for at least 15 minutes If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention 			
Skin contact	 Wash off immediately with soap and plenty of cold water DO NOT use warm water because this will open up the pores of the skin, which will cause further penetration of fibers and dust DO NOT rub or scratch affected area Use a wash cloth to help remove fibers and dust If fibers are seen penetrating from the skin, the fibers can be removed by applying and removing adhesive tape so that the fibers adhere to the tape and are pulled out of the skin If skin irritation persists, call a physician 			
Inhalation	 Move victim to fresh air If symptoms persist, call a physician 			
Ingestion	 Rinse mouth with water and drink water to remove fibers from the throat If symptoms persist, call a physician 			
5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES				
Flammable properties	 Continuous Filament Glass Fiber products are not flammable, are incombustible and do not support combustion. Only the organic part is combustible and could release small quantities of undetermined hazardous substances in case of major and prolonged heat or fire 			
Suitable extinguishing media	 Use CO2, dry chemical, or foam Water spray or fog 			
Protective equipment and precautions for firefighters	 As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) and full fire-fighting protective gear 			
6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES				
Personal precautions	 Avoid contact with eyes and skin Avoid creating dust Use personal protections recommended in Section 8 			
Methods for cleaning up	 Avoid dry sweeping Avoid creating dust Take up mechanically, placing in appropriate containers for disposal Pick up and transfer to properly labeled containers Use an industrial vacuum cleaner with a high efficiency filter to clean up dust and fiber contamination After cleaning, flush away traces with water 			
7. HANDLING AND STORAGE				
Precautions for safe handling	 Prevent and/or minimize dust formation Wear appropriate personal protective equipment in case of direct contact with the product 			
Storage Conditions	Keep product in packaging until use to minimize potential dust generation			

Incompatible materials

None known

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Exposure Guidelines

As manufactured continuous filament glass fibers are non-respirable. May cause temporary skin and mucous membranes itching due to mechanical abrasion effect of fibers. Under normal conditions of use, these products may release dust and non-respirable fibers (Particulates Not Otherwise Regulated). Under severe process conditions (e.g. shredding, crushing), these products may release very small amount of respirable particulate, some of which may be fiber-like in terms of I/d ratio (so-called "shards").

Chemical name	ACGIH TLV	Alberta	Ontario TWA	Quebec
Continuous filament glass	TWA: 1 fiber/cm3 respirable	TWA: 5 mg/m ³	TWA: 1 fibre/cm3	TWA: 10 mg/m ³
fiber, non-respirable	fibers: length >5 µm,	TWA: 1 fibre/cm3	TWA: 5 mg/m ³	_
-	diameter less than 3 µm,			
	aspect ratio >=3:1, as			
	determined by the			
	membrane filter method at			
	400-450X magnification			
	[4-mm objective], using			
	phase-contrast illumination			
	TWA: 5 mg/m ³ inhalable			
	particulate matter			

OSHA PEL: TWA for Inert or Nuisance Dust are: 5 mg/m³ (Respirable fraction) and 15 mg/m³ (Total dust)

Engineering Controls Provide local exhaust and/or general ventilation to maintain exposure below regulatory and recommended limits Local exhaust ventilation should be provided at areas of cutting, milling or other similar processing to remove airborne dust and fibers

Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

Eye/face protection	Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles)
Skin and body protection	 Wear protective gloves Wear long-sleeved shirt and long pants
Respiratory protection	 If exposure limits are exceeded, wear appropriate respiratory protections (e.g.: FFP2 or N95 or KN95) to be chosen according to the actual airborne exposure level and in accordance with applicable local regulations
General Hygiene Consideration	 • Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling products • Remove and wash contaminated clothing before re-use

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Physical state Solid Continuous filament glass fibers, with filament diameter larger than 6 micron Appearance Odorless Odor White, or, Off-white Color Water solubility Insoluble in water Softening point > 800°C ; > 1500°F (glass) Density 2.6 (glass) **Explosive properties** Not an explosive

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Stability

Stable under normal conditions

Possibility of Hazardous Reactions • None under normal processing conditions

Hazardous Decomposition Products • None under normal use conditions

• Small quantities of undetermined hazardous decomposition products may be released in case of heat exposure or during a fire

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Product Information	Dusts and fibers may cause temporary skin and mucous membranes itching due to mechanical abrasion effect of fibers. Mechanical abrasion is not considered as a health hazard in the meaning of the UN Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labeling of Chemicals (GHS). Inhalation may cause coughing, nose and throat irritation and sneezing. High exposures may cause difficult breathing, congestion and chest tightness Continuous filament glass fibers are not respirable according to the World Health Organization (WHO) definition. Respirable fibers have a diameter (d) smaller than 3µm, a length (l) larger than 5µm and a l/d-ratio larger than or equal to 3. Fibers with diameters greater than 3 microns, which is the case for continuous filament glass fiber, do not reach the lower respiratory tract and, therefore have no possibility of causing serious pulmonary disease. Continuous filament glass fibers do not possess cleavage planes which would allow them to split length-wise into fibers with smaller diameters, rather they break across the fiber, resulting in fibers which are of the same diameter as the original fiber with a shorter length and a small amount of dust. Microscopic examination of dust from highly chopped and pulverised glass demonstrated the presence of small amounts of respirable dust particles. Among these respirable particles, some were fiber-like in terms of l/d ratio (so-called "shards"). It can be clearly observed however that they are not regular shaped fibers but irregular shaped particles with fiber-like dust particles measured at our manufacturing plants are of the order of magnitude between 50 to 1000 below existing applicable limits
ACGIH (American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists	Continuous filament glass fibers are classified as A4 - Not Classifiable as a Human) Carcinogen
IARC (International Agency for Research on Cancer)	The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) in June, 1987, and in October, 2001 (see IARC Monographs on the Evaluation of Carcinogenic risks to humans – Man-made Vitreous Fibers – Volume 81), categorized continuous filament fiber glass as not classifiable with respect to human carcinogenicity (Group 3). The evidence from human as well as animal studies was evaluated by IARC as insufficient to classify continuous filament glass fiber as a confirmed, probable or even possible cancer-causing material
NTP (National Toxicology Program)	Continuous filament glass fibers are not listed in the National Toxicology Program (NTP) Report on Carcinogens (latest edition)
OSHA (Occupational Safety and Health Administration of the US Department of Labor)	X - Present
Classification according to Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008 [CLF	Continuous filament glass fibers are not listed in the Table of harmonized classification Pentries in Annex VI to CLP Regulation. Mechanical abrasion is not considered as a health hazard in the meaning of European Regulation 1272/2008 (CLP).

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

This product is not expected to be hazardous for the environment

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Continuous filament glass fiber waste is a non hazardous waste. Disposal should be in accordance with applicable regional, national and local laws and regulations.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

These products are not classified as dangerous goods according to international transport regulations

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

International Inventories

Continuous filament glass fiber products are articles. Articles are exempted from registration or listing under chemicals inventories like TSCA (USA), DSL/NDSL (CAN), REACH (EU), ENCS (JP), IECSC (CN), KECL (KR), PICCS (PH), AICS (AUS), TCSI (Taiwan)

16. OTHER INFORMATION

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