

1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

Product Name: **ASTALAC ABS GENERAL MOULDING AND EXTRUSION**

Recommended Use of the Chemical and Restrictions on Use For use in the manufacture of thermoplastic articles by injection moulding or extrusion.

Scope: This data sheet covers standard and high heat grades of ASTALAC ABS grades but excludes flame retardant and filled grades.

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Please ensure you refer to the limitations of this Safety Data Sheet as set out in the "Other Information" section at the end of this Data Sheet.

2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Not classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the Australian Dangerous Goods Code (ADG Code) for transport by Road and Rail; NON-DANGEROUS GOODS.

Based on available information, not classified as hazardous according to Safe Work Australia; NON-HAZARDOUS CHEMICAL.

Poisons Schedule (SUSMP): None allocated.

3. COMPOSITION AND INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Product Description:

Resin (Acrylonitrile-butadiene-styrene polymer and/or Acrylonitrile-butadiene-alpha methylstyrene-styrene polymer and/or Methyl methacrylate modified-acrylonitrile-butadiene-styrene polymer), 78-100%

Colourants, additives and processing aids, 0-10%

alpha-Methyl styrene, <1%

Styrene, <1%

Acrylonitrile, <0.01%

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

For advice, contact a Poisons Information Centre (e.g. phone Australia 131 126; New Zealand 0800 764 766) or a doctor.

Inhalation:

Remove victim from area of exposure - avoid becoming a casualty. Remove contaminated clothing and loosen remaining clothing. Allow patient to assume most comfortable position and keep warm. Keep at rest until fully recovered. Seek medical advice if effects persist.

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Skin Contact:

If skin contact occurs, remove contaminated clothing and wash skin with running water. If irritation occurs seek medical advice. If molten material should contact the skin and adhere, cool quickly with running water - do not attempt to remove. Seek immediate medical assistance.

Eye Contact:

If in eyes, wash out immediately with water. In all cases of eye contamination it is a sensible precaution to seek medical advice. For contact with the molten material treat as for skin burns.

Ingestion:

Rinse mouth with water. If swallowed, give a glass of water to drink. If vomiting occurs give further water. Seek medical advice.

Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed:

Treat symptomatically.

5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Suitable Extinguishing Media:

Fine water spray, normal foam, dry agent (carbon dioxide, dry chemical powder).

Specific hazards arising from the chemical:

Combustible solid.

Special protective equipment and precautions for fire-fighters:

On burning will emit toxic fumes. Fire fighters to wear self-contained breathing apparatus and suitable protective clothing if risk of exposure to vapour or products of combustion.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Emergency procedures/Environmental precautions:

Shut off all possible sources of ignition. If contamination of sewers or waterways has occurred advise local emergency services.

Personal precautions/Protective equipment/Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up:

Slippery when spilt. Avoid accidents, clean up immediately. Shut off all possible sources of ignition. Wear protective equipment to prevent skin and eye contact and breathing in dust. Work up wind or increase ventilation. Cover with damp absorbent (inert material, sand or soil). Sweep or vacuum up, but avoid generating dust. Collect and seal in properly labelled containers or drums for disposal.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Precautions for safe handling:

Avoid skin and eye contact and breathing in dust. Avoid handling which leads to dust formation. In common with many organic chemicals, may form flammable dust clouds in air. For precautions necessary refer to Safety Data Sheet "Dust Explosion Hazards". Take precautionary measures against static discharges.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities:

Store in a cool, dry, well ventilated place. Keep containers closed when not in use - check regularly for spills.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Control Parameters: No value assigned for this specific material by Safe Work Australia. However, Workplace Exposure Standard(s) for constituent(s):

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Dusts not otherwise classified: 8hr TWA = 10 mg/m³
alpha-Methyl styrene: 8hr TWA = 242 mg/m³ (50 ppm), 15 min STEL = 483 mg/m³ (100 ppm)
Styrene, monomer: 8hr TWA = 213 mg/m³ (50 ppm), 15 min STEL = 426 mg/m³ (100 ppm)

As published by Safe Work Australia Workplace Exposure Standards for Airborne Contaminants.

TWA - The time-weighted average airborne concentration of a particular substance when calculated over an eight-hour working day, for a five-day working week.

STEL (Short Term Exposure Limit) - the airborne concentration of a particular substance calculated as a time-weighted average over 15 minutes, which should not be exceeded at any time during a normal eight hour work day. According to current knowledge this concentration should neither impair the health of, nor cause undue discomfort to, nearly all workers.

These Workplace Exposure Standards are guides to be used in the control of occupational health hazards. All atmospheric contamination should be kept to as low a level as is workable. These workplace exposure standards should not be used as fine dividing lines between safe and dangerous concentrations of chemicals. They are not a measure of relative toxicity.

Appropriate engineering controls:

Ensure ventilation is adequate and that air concentrations of components are controlled below quoted Workplace Exposure Standards. In general, ventilation should be provided at compounding and converting areas and at fabricating work stations which involve heating the plastic. Local exhaust hoods may be used over die-heads of extrusion equipment or in the vicinity of thermoforming and moulding machines, where practicable. Keep containers closed when not in use.

If in the handling and application of this material, safe exposure levels could be exceeded, the use of engineering controls such as local exhaust ventilation must be considered and the results documented. If achieving safe exposure levels does not require engineering controls, then a detailed and documented risk assessment using the relevant Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) (refer to PPE section below) as a basis must be carried out to determine the minimum PPE requirements.

Individual protection measures, such as Personal Protective Equipment (PPE):

The selection of PPE is dependent on a detailed risk assessment. The risk assessment should consider the work situation, the physical form of the chemical, the handling methods, and environmental factors.

OVERALLS, SAFETY SHOES, SAFETY GLASSES, GLOVES, DUST MASK.



Wear overalls, safety glasses and impervious gloves. Avoid generating and inhaling dusts. If determined by a risk assessment an inhalation risk exists, wear a dust mask/respirator meeting the requirements of AS/NZS 1715 and AS/NZS 1716. Always wash hands before smoking, eating, drinking or using the toilet. Wash contaminated clothing and other protective equipment before storage or re-use.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Physical state: Pellets
Colour: Coloured
Odour: Slight Sweet Aromatic

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Solubility:	Insoluble in water. Soluble in acetone , methyl ethyl ketone , and dimethyl formamide .
Specific Gravity:	1.02-1.17 @ 25°C (water = 1)
Relative Vapour Density (air=1):	Not applicable
Vapour Pressure (20 °C):	Not applicable
Flash Point (°C):	349
Flammability Limits (%):	Not available
Autoignition Temperature (°C):	508
Melting Point/Range (°C):	103-128 (Softening Point)
pH:	Not applicable

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity:	No information available.
Chemical stability:	Stable under normal ambient and anticipated storage and handling conditions of temperature and pressure.
Possibility of hazardous reactions:	Dust explosion hazard.
Conditions to avoid:	Avoid dust generation.
Incompatible materials:	None known.
Hazardous decomposition products:	May include hydrocarbons , alcohols , ketones , aldehydes , hydrogen cyanide , nitrogen oxides and oxides of carbon.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

No adverse health effects expected if the product is handled in accordance with this Safety Data Sheet and the product label. Symptoms or effects that may arise if the product is mishandled and overexposure occurs are:

Ingestion:	No adverse effects expected, however, large amounts may cause nausea and vomiting.
Eye contact:	May be an eye irritant. Exposure to the dust may cause discomfort due to particulate nature. May cause physical irritation to the eyes.
Skin contact:	Repeated or prolonged skin contact may lead to irritation.
Inhalation:	Breathing in dust may result in respiratory irritation. Vapour and processing fumes may cause irritation to mucous membranes of the respiratory tract, headache and nausea.
Acute toxicity:	No LD50 data available for the product.
Respiratory or skin sensitisation:	No information available.
Chronic effects:	No information available for the product.
Aspiration hazard:	No information available.

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity	Avoid contaminating waterways.
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Persistence/degradability:	No information available.
Bioaccumulative potential:	No information available.
Mobility in soil:	No information available.
Aquatic toxicity:	Certain heavy-metal salts, present as coloured pigments and based upon cadmium, chromium, copper or lead metals, may be present in some coloured grades. Those ingredients are essentially mixed into the plastic and are unlikely to contribute to pollution of soils and water.

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Disposal methods:

Refer to Waste Management Authority. Dispose of contents and container in accordance with local, regional, national, international regulations.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

Road and Rail Transport

Not classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the Australian Dangerous Goods Code (ADG Code) for transport by Road and Rail; NON-DANGEROUS GOODS.

Marine Transport

Not classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG Code) for transport by sea; NON-DANGEROUS GOODS.

Air Transport

Not classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the International Air Transport Association (IATA) Dangerous Goods Regulations for transport by air; NON-DANGEROUS GOODS.

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Classification:

Based on available information, not classified as hazardous according to Safe Work Australia; NON-HAZARDOUS CHEMICAL.

Poisons Schedule (SUSMP): None allocated.

All the constituents of this material are either listed on the Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS) or have been assessed under the National Industrial Chemicals (Notification and Assessment) Act 1989 as amended.

16. OTHER INFORMATION

ASTALAC is a registered trademark of Marplex Australia Pty Ltd.

This safety data sheet has been prepared by Ixom Operations Pty Ltd (Toxicology & SDS Services).

Reason(s) for Issue:

Addition/Change of synonymous name(s)

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This SDS summarises to our best knowledge at the date of issue, the chemical health and safety hazards of the material and general guidance on how to safely handle the material in the workplace. Since Ixom Operations Pty Ltd cannot anticipate or control the conditions under which the product may be used, each user must, prior to usage, assess and control the risks arising from its use of the material.

If clarification or further information is needed, the user should contact their Ixom representative or Ixom Operations Pty Ltd at the contact details on page 1.

Ixom Operations Pty Ltd's responsibility for the material as sold is subject to the terms and conditions of sale, a copy of which is available upon request.