

MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

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HIGH DENSITY POLYETHYLENE (ALL GRADES)

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Consult an expert on disposal of recovered material and ensure conformity to local disposal regulations. Recover the spilled material and place in suitable containers for recycle or disposal.

SECTION 7 STORAGE AND HANDLING

ELECTROSTATIC ACCUMULATION HAZARD:

Yes, use proper bonding and/or grounding procedure.

STORAGE TEMPERATURE, °F:

Ambient

LOADING/UNLOADING TEMPERATURE, °F:

Ambient

STORAGE/TRANSPORT PRESSURE, mmHg:

Atmospheric

LOADING/UNLOADING VISCOSITY, CSt:

Solid

STORAGE AND HANDLING:

Keep container closed. Handle and open containers with care. Store in a cool, well ventilated place away from incompatible materials.

Do NOT handle or store near an open flame, heat or other sources of ignition. Protect material from direct sunlight.

Material will accumulate static charges which may cause an electrical spark (ignition source). Use proper bonding and/or grounding procedures.

SECTION 8 EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

EXPOSURE CONTROLS

Local exhaust ventilation of process equipment may be needed to control particulate exposures to below the recommended exposure limit. See personal protection recommendations.

PERSONAL PROTECTION

For open systems at ambient temperature (-18 to 38 degrees C) where contact is likely, wear safety glasses with side shields. Where contact may occur with hot material, wear thermal resistant gloves, arm protection, and a face shield.

WORKPLACE EXPOSURE GUIDELINES

OSHA REGULATION 29CFR1910-1000 REQUIRES THE FOLLOWING PERMISSIBLE

EXPOSURE LIMITS: 5 mg/m³ (respirable dust), and 15 mg/m³ (total dust) based on the OSHA PEL for nuisance dust. The recommended permissible exposure levels indicated above reflect the levels revised by OSHA in 1989 or in subsequent regulatory activity. Although the 1989 levels have since been vacated by the 11th Circuit Court of Appeals, ExxonMobil Chemical Company recommends that the lower exposure levels be observed as reasonable worker protection.

THE ACGIH RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING THRESHOLD LIMIT VALUES: A TWA of 10 mg/m³ for inhalable particulate (total dust) and a TWA of 3 mg/m³ for respirable particulate (total dust) for Particulates Not Otherwise Classified (PNOC).

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SECTION 9 PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

SPECIFIC GRAVITY, at °F: 0.92 - 0.970	VAPOR PRESSURE, mmHg at °F: Not available
SOLUBILITY IN WATER, wt- % at °F: Insoluble	VISCOSITY OF LIQUID. cSt at °F: Not applicable
SP. GRAV- OF VAPOR, at 1 atm (Air=1): Not applicable	FREEZING/MELTING POINT, °F: See Notes in Section 16
EVAPORATION RATE, n-Bu Acetate=1: Not applicable	BOILING POINT, °F: Not applicable

SECTION 10 STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

STABILITY:

Stable

CONDITIONS TO AVOID INSTABILITY:

Temperatures over 650 °F (343 °C) will lead to resin degradation and decomposition

HAZARDOUS POLYMERIZATION: Will not occur

CONDITIONS TO AVOID HAZARDOUS POLYMERIZATION: Not Applicable

MATERIALS AND CONDITIONS TO AVOID INCOMPATIBILITY: Fluorine Strong Oxidizing agents

HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS: Flammable Hydrocarbons

SECTION 11 TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Please refer to Section 3 for available information on potential health effects.

SECTION 12 ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

No specific ecological data are available for this product. Please refer to Section 6 for information regarding accidental releases and Section 15 for regulatory reporting information.

SECTION 13 DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Please refer to Sections 5, 6, and 15 for disposal and regulatory information.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DOT):

This product is not DOT regulated.

SECTION 15 REGULATORY INFORMATION

TSCA:

This product is listed on the TSCA Inventory.

TSCA:

Components of this product are listed on the TSCA Inventory.

CERCLA:

If this product is accidentally spilled, it is not subject to any special reporting under the requirements of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA). We recommend you contact local authorities to determine if there may be other local reporting requirements.

SARA TITLE III:

Under the provisions of Title III, Sections 311/312 of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act, this product is classified into the following hazard categories: Not Hazardous. This product does not contain Section 313 Reportable Ingredients.

SECTION 16 OTHER INFORMATION

NOTES:

Polymer CAS Numbers:

For polyethylene homopolymer grades: 9002-88-4
For ethylene/butene copolymer grades: 25087-34-7
For ethylene/hexene copolymer grades: 25213-02-9

Melting Point Ranges:

HOPE: 265 to 280 Deg F. (129 to 137.5 Deg C)
LLDPE: 240 to 265 Deg F. (115 to 129 Deg C)

National Fire Protection Association standards NFPA 654 and 68 indicate possible explosion hazard of dust particles. Conform accordingly. Avoid accumulation of dust or dust clouds; operate handling and storage systems leak free, practice good housekeeping. Keep from sources of ignition. Do not store near heat, flame, or strong oxidants. Assure proper electrical grounding of all handling equipment. For more information see "Guide for Handling and Storage of ESCORENE Polyethylene Resins."

Product may also contain varying levels of additives, such as slip and antiblocking agents (talc or silica), antioxidants, stabilizers, and corrosion inhibitors. Certain grades may contain cristobalite, a form of crystalline silica, as an additive that is encapsulated in the polymer. Inhaled crystalline silica in an occupational environment has been classified as a Group I human carcinogen by the International Agency for

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Research on Cancer. However, ExxonMobil Chemical Company has assessed the potential for release of silica to the air when this polymer is handled and has determined that silica encapsulated in this polymer is not expected to pose a health hazard when processed under normal conditions of use.

SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS: Should significant vapors/fumes be generated during thermal processing of this product, it is recommended that work stations be monitored for the presence of thermal degradation by-products which may evolve at elevated temperatures (for example, formaldehyde and acrolein). Processors of this product should assure that adequate ventilation or other controls are used to control exposure.

It is recommended that the current ACGIH-TLVs for thermal degradation by-products be observed. Contact your ExxonMobil Representative for further information.

Representative Paxon HDPE grades may include:

EA55-003	EAGO-007	EE60-007	FD60-018
FE60-018	4261A Q450	4700	AA45-004
AA55-003	AA60-003	AB40-003	AB50-003
AB55-003	AC40-003	AD60-007	AF50-003
AF60-007	AG45-004	AK53-004	AL55-003
AM55-003	AS55-003	AT55-003	AU55-003
BA46-055	BA50-100	BA50-120	BA53-035
BA53-058	BC50-100		
AX40-003	AX50-003	AX50-200	AX55-003
AXGO-007	BX50-100	BX53-035	BX53-058

HAZARD RATING SYSTEMS:

This information is for people trained in:

National Paint & Coatings Association's (NPCA)

Hazardous Materials Identification System (HMIS)

National Fire Protection Association (NFPA 704)

Identification of the Fire Hazards of Materials

	NPCA-HMIS	NFPA 704	KEY
HEALTH	1	1	4 = Severe
FLAMMABILITY	1	1	3 = Serious
REACTIVITY	0	0	2 = Moderate
			I = Slight
			0 = Minimal

CAUTION: HMIS ratings are based on a 0-4 rating scale with 1 representing minimal hazards or risks, and 4 representing significant hazards or risks. Recommended HMIS ratings should not be used in the absence of a fully implemented HMIS hazard communication program.

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