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# SAFETY DATA SHEET

#### 1. Identification

Product identifier SHEETROCK® Brand Lightweight All Purpose Joint Compound with Dust Control

Other means of identification

**SDS number** 61000010017

Synonyms Joint Compound (Ready-Mixed), Taping Compound, Mud, Finishing Compound

Recommended use Interior use.

**Recommended restrictions**Use in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations.

Manufacturer / Importer / Supplier / Distributor information

Company name United States Gypsum Company

Address 550 West Adams Street

Chicago, Illinois 60661-3637

Telephone 1-800-874-4968
Website www.usg.com
Emergency phone number 1-800-507-8899

# 2. Hazard(s) identification

Physical hazards Not classified.

Health hazards Not classified.

OSHA defined hazards Not classified.

Label elements

Hazard symbol None.

Signal word None.

Hazard statement None.

**Precautionary statement** 

PreventionObserve good industrial hygiene practices.ResponseGet medical attention/advice if you feel unwell.

**Storage** Store as indicated in Section 7.

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

Hazard(s) not otherwise

classified (HNOC)

None known.

# 3. Composition/information on ingredients

## Mixtures

Chemical name	CAS number	%
Limestone	1317-65-3	< 50
Perlite	93763-70-3	< 10
Attapulgite	12174-11-7	< 5

**Composition comments** All concentrations are in percent by weight unless ingredient is a gas.

Raw materials in this product contain respirable crystalline silica as an impurity. The weight percent of respirable crystalline silica found in this product is < 0.7%. The OSHA PEL for respirable crystalline silica has been lowered to 0.05 mg/m3, effective June 23, 2016 with compliance dates of June 23, 2017 for construction and June 23, 2018 for general industry. Testing of this product and its constituents suggests that under normal conditions the expected use of this product will not result in exposure to respirable crystalline silica that exceeds the OSHA PEL. However, actual exposures to respirable crystalline silica on a given jobsite must

4. First-aid measures

be determined by workplace hygiene testing.

**Inhalation** Dust irritates the respiratory system, and may cause coughing and difficulties in breathing. Move

injured person into fresh air and keep person calm under observation. Get medical attention if

symptoms persist.

**Skin contact**Contact with dust: Rinse area with plenty of water. Get medical attention if irritation develops or

persists.

Eye contact Dust in the eyes: Do not rub eyes. Flush thoroughly with water. If irritation occurs, get medical

assistance.

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Rinse mouth. Get medical attention if symptoms occur. Ingestion

Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed

Dust may irritate eyes and mucous membranes of the nose, throat and upper respiratory system causing sneezing and/or coughing. May cause allergic skin disorders in sensitive individuals.

Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Provide general supportive measures and treat symptomatically.

**General information** Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved.

# 5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable extinguishing media

Unsuitable extinguishing

media

Specific hazards arising from the chemical

Special protective equipment

and precautions for firefighters

Specific methods

Fire-fighting equipment/instructions

General fire hazards

Use fire-extinguishing media appropriate for surrounding materials.

Not applicable.

Not a fire hazard

Selection of respiratory protection for firefighting: follow the general fire precautions indicated in the workplace. Self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective clothing must be worn in case of fire.

Use standard firefighting procedures and consider the hazards of other involved materials.

Cool material exposed to heat with water spray and remove it if no risk is involved.

No unusual fire or explosion hazards noted.

#### 6. Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

See Section 8 of the SDS for Personal Protective Equipment.

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Large Spills: Scoop spilled materials and recover as much of the product as possible for use. If spillage is unrecoverable dispose according to local, state, and federal regulations.

Small Spills: Wipe up with absorbent material (e.g. cloth, fleece). Clean surface thoroughly to remove residual contamination.

**Environmental precautions** 

Avoid discharge to drains, sewers, and other water systems.

## 7. Handling and storage

Precautions for safe handling

Avoid inhalation of dust and contact with skin and eyes. Minimize dust generation and accumulation. In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment. Observe good industrial hygiene practices. Use proper lifting techniques.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated place. Store in a closed container away from incompatible materials. Protect from moisture. Keep away from heat. Do not use if material has spoiled, i.e., there is a moldy appearance or an unpleasant odor. Keep containers closed when not in use.

Filled 4.5 gallon pails of joint compound may be stacked a maximum of 3 layers high on a standard 48 x 48 pallet (16 pails per layer, 3 layers high). Pallets may only be stacked a maximum of two high.

Filled cartons of joint compound may be stacked a maximum of 3 layers high on a standard 42 x 42 or 42 x 48 pallet (16 pails per layer, 3 layers high). Pallets may only be stacked a maximum of two high.

# 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

Occupational exposure limits

US. OSHA Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants (29 CFR 1910.1000)

Components	Туре	Value	Form		
Limestone (CAS 1317-65-3)	PEL	5 mg/m3	Respirable fraction.		
		15 mg/m3	Total dust.		
US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards					
Components	Туре	Value	Form		

Components	Туре	Value	Form	
Limestone (CAS 1317-65-3)	TWA	5 mg/m3	Respirable.	
		10 mg/m3	Total	
Perlite (CAS 93763-70-3)	TWA	5 mg/m3	Respirable.	
		10 mg/m3	Total	

**Biological limit values** No biological exposure limits noted for the ingredient(s). Appropriate engineering

controls

Provide sufficient ventilation for operations causing dust formation. Observe occupational

exposure limits and minimize the risk of exposure.

Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

Eve/face protection

Skin protection

Hand protection It is a good industrial hygiene practice to minimize skin contact. For prolonged or repeated skin

contact use suitable protective gloves.

Wear approved safety goggles.

Other Normal work clothing (long sleeved shirts and long pants) is recommended.

If engineering controls do not maintain airborne concentrations below recommended exposure Respiratory protection

> limits (where applicable) or to an acceptable level (in countries where exposure limits have not been established), an approved respirator must be worn. Use a NIOSH/MSHA approved air purifying respirator as needed to control exposure. Consult with respirator manufacturer to determine respirator selection, use, and limitations. Use positive pressure, air-supplied respirator for uncontrolled releases or when air purifying respirator limitations may be exceeded. Follow respirator protection program requirements (OSHA 1910.134 and ANSI Z88.2) for all respirator

use.

Thermal hazards None.

General hygiene considerations

Always observe good personal hygiene measures, such as washing after handling the material and before eating, drinking, and/or smoking. Routinely wash work clothing and protective equipment separately from regular wash. Observe any medical surveillance requirements.

# 9. Physical and chemical properties

**Appearance** 

Semi-solid. Physical state **Form** Paste. Color Off-white.

Odor Low to no odor. **Odor threshold** Not applicable.

7.5 - 9.9pН

Melting point/freezing point Not applicable. 212 °F (100 °C) Initial boiling point and boiling

range

Not applicable. Flash point Not applicable. **Evaporation rate** Not applicable. Flammability (solid, gas)

Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits

Flammability limit - lower

Not applicable.

(%)

Flammability limit - upper

Not applicable.

(%)

**Explosive limit - lower (%)** Not applicable. **Explosive limit - upper (%)** Not applicable. Vapor pressure Not applicable. Vapor density Not applicable. Relative density 1 - 1.3 (H2O=1)

Solubility(ies)

Solubility (water) Soluble in water. Partition coefficient Not applicable.

(n-octanol/water)

Not applicable. **Auto-ignition temperature** Not applicable. **Decomposition temperature Viscosity** Not applicable.

Other information

**Bulk density** 8.3 - 11 lb/gal

7 g/l (Calculated by EPA Method 24) VOC (Weight %)

# 10. Stability and reactivity

The product is stable and non-reactive under normal conditions of use, storage and transport. Reactivity

Material is stable under normal conditions. **Chemical stability** 

Possibility of hazardous

reactions

Hazardous polymerization does not occur.

Conditions to avoid

None known. Incompatible materials None known.

Hazardous decomposition

products

Above 1472°F (800°C) limestone (CaCO3) can decompose to lime (CaO) and release carbon

dioxide (CO2).

# 11. Toxicological information

# Information on likely routes of exposure

May cause discomfort if swallowed. Ingestion

Airborne dust may irritate throat and upper respiratory system causing coughing. Inhalation

May cause allergic skin reactions especially in individuals with pre-existing skin disease such as Skin contact

eczema. (See Section 16).

Eye contact Airborne dust may cause mechanical eye irritation.

Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics Dust may irritate eyes and mucous membranes of the nose, throat and upper respiratory system

causing sneezing and/or coughing.

#### Information on toxicological effects

Not expected to be a hazard under normal conditions of intended use. Acute toxicity Prolonged or repeated skin contact may cause drying, cracking, or irritation. Skin corrosion/irritation

Serious eye damage/eye

irritation

Direct contact with eyes may cause temporary irritation.

#### Respiratory or skin sensitization

Respiratory sensitization Not a respiratory sensitizer.

Skin sensitization The product contains a small amount of sensitizing substance which may provoke an allergic

reaction among sensitive individuals after repeated contact.

For detailed information, see section 16.

Data does not suggest that this product or any components present at greater than 0.1% are Germ cell mutagenicity

mutagenic or genotoxic.

Carcinogenicity This product is not expected to increase the risk of cancer.

# IARC Monographs. Overall Evaluation of Carcinogenicity

Attapulgite (CAS 12174-11-7)

2B Possibly carcinogenic to humans.

3 Not classifiable as to carcinogenicity to humans.

Not expected to be a reproductive hazard. Reproductive toxicity

Specific target organ toxicity -

single exposure

No data available, but none expected.

Specific target organ toxicity -

repeated exposure

Not classified.

**Aspiration hazard** Not an aspiration hazard.

Prolonged exposure may cause chronic effects. For detailed information, see section 16. **Chronic effects** 

#### 12. Ecological information

The product is not classified as environmentally hazardous. However, this does not exclude the **Ecotoxicity** 

possibility that large or frequent spills can have a harmful or damaging effect on the environment.

Persistence and degradability No data available.

Bioaccumulative potential Bioaccumulation is not expected.

Mobility in soil No data available. Other adverse effects None expected.

# 13. Disposal considerations

Dispose in accordance with applicable federal, state, and local regulations. Recycle responsibly. **Disposal instructions** 

Dispose of in accordance with local regulations. Local disposal regulations

Hazardous waste code Not regulated.

Waste from residues / unused

products

Dispose of in accordance with local regulations.

Contaminated packaging Dispose of in accordance with local regulations.

# 14. Transport information

DOT

Not regulated as dangerous goods.

**IATA** 

Not regulated as dangerous goods.

**IMDG** 

Not regulated as dangerous goods.

Transport in bulk according to Not applicable.

Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and

the IBC Code

# 15. Regulatory information

**US federal regulations** 

This product is not known to be a "Hazardous Chemical" as defined by the OSHA

Hazard Communication Standard, 29 CFR 1910.1200.

TSCA Section 12(b) Export Notification (40 CFR 707, Subpt. D)

Not regulated.

US. OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1050)

Not listed.

**CERCLA Hazardous Substance List (40 CFR 302.4)** 

Not listed.

Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA)

No

Hazard categories Immediate Hazard - No

Delayed Hazard - No Fire Hazard - No Pressure Hazard - No Reactivity Hazard - No

SARA 302 Extremely hazardous substance

Not listed.

SARA 311/312 Hazardous

chemical

SARA 313 (TRI reporting)

Not regulated.

## Other federal regulations

Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112 Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs) List

Not regulated.

Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112(r) Accidental Release Prevention (40 CFR 68.130)

Not regulated.

Safe Drinking Water Act

Not regulated.

(SDWA)

#### **US** state regulations

#### **US. Massachusetts RTK - Substance List**

Limestone (CAS 1317-65-3) Perlite (CAS 93763-70-3)

#### US. New Jersey Worker and Community Right-to-Know Act

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#### US. Pennsylvania Worker and Community Right-to-Know Law

Limestone (CAS 1317-65-3) Perlite (CAS 93763-70-3)

# **US. Rhode Island RTK**

Not regulated.

#### **US. California Proposition 65**

WARNING: This product contains a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer.

# US - California Proposition 65 - Carcinogens & Reproductive Toxicity (CRT): Listed substance

Attapulgite (CAS 12174-11-7)

#### **International Inventories**

All components of this product are in compliance with the listing Requirements of the U.S. Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Chemical Substance Inventory.

# 16. Other information, including date of preparation or last revision

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**Further information** 

Attapulgite: Carcinogenic to experimental animals via a route of exposure not relevant to human exposure per ACGIH.

Skin Sensitization Potential: This product contains an amount of Triazinetriethanol (THT) (CAS No. 4719-04-4) that is within the approved EPA regulated limits. THT can act as a sensitizer. Numerous human studies with concentrations up to 1% yielded negative (no sensitization) results. However, some results showed positive reactions in concentrations <0.5% mostly in persons with eczema.

Crystalline silica: Raw materials in this product may contain respirable crystalline silica as an impurity. Exposures to respirable crystalline silica are not expected during the normal use of this product. However, actual levels must be determined by workplace hygiene testing. Prolonged and repeated exposure to airborne free respirable crystalline silica can result in lung disease (i.e., silicosis) and/or lung cancer.

**Bucket NFPA Classification:** 

Health: 0 Flammability: 1 Physical hazard: 0

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Hazard Scale: 0 = Minimal 1 = Slight 2 = Moderate 3 = Serious 4 = Severe

**NFPA Ratings** 



**List of abbreviations** NFPA: National Fire Protection Association.

References Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS)

HSDB® - Hazardous Substances Data Bank

Torben et al. (2001). Environmental and Health Assessment of Substances in Household

Detergents and Cosmetic Products.

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information should be used to make an independent determination of the methods to safeguard

workers and the environment.