



# SAFETY DATA SHEET

## 1. Identification

**Product identifier** USG® True™ Wood Ceiling Panels  
**Other means of identification**  
**SDS number** 43000005004  
**Synonyms** Fire-rated MDF Core, Wood Veneer and Clear Topcoat  
**Recommended use** Ceilings and walls  
**Recommended restrictions** None known.

### Manufacturer/Importer/Supplier/Distributor information

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## 2. Hazard(s) identification

**Physical hazards** Not classified.  
**Health hazards** Carcinogenicity Category 1A  
Reproductive toxicity Category 1B  
**OSHA defined hazards** Combustible dust

### Label elements



**Signal word** Danger  
**Hazard statement** May cause cancer. May damage fertility or the unborn child. May form combustible dust concentrations in air.

### Precautionary statement

**Prevention** Obtain special instructions before use. Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Prevent dust accumulation to minimize explosion hazard. Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking. Keep container tightly closed. Ground/bond container and receiving equipment. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection. Observe good industrial hygiene practices.

**Response** If exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention. Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse. In case of fire: Use appropriate media to extinguish.

**Storage** Store locked up.

**Disposal** Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.

**Hazard(s) not otherwise classified (HNOC)** None known.

**Supplemental information** None.

## 3. Composition/information on ingredients

### Mixtures

Chemical name	CAS number	%
Wood dust	Not applicable	59 - 98

<b>Composition comments</b>	All concentrations are in percent by weight unless ingredient is a gas. Gas concentrations are in percent by volume.
<b>4. First-aid measures</b>	
<b>Inhalation</b>	Move to fresh air. Call a physician if symptoms develop or persist.
<b>Skin contact</b>	Wash off with soap and water. Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists.
<b>Eye contact</b>	Do not rub eyes. Rinse with water. Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Rinse mouth. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
<b>Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed</b>	Dusts may irritate the respiratory tract, skin and eyes. Coughing.
<b>Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed</b>	Provide general supportive measures and treat symptomatically. Keep victim under observation. Symptoms may be delayed.
<b>General information</b>	IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention. If you feel unwell, seek medical advice (show the label where possible). Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, and take precautions to protect themselves. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.
<b>5. Fire-fighting measures</b>	
<b>Suitable extinguishing media</b>	Water fog. Foam. Dry chemical powder. Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ). Apply extinguishing media carefully to avoid creating airborne dust. Avoid high pressure media which could cause the formation of a potentially explosible dust-air mixture.
<b>Unsuitable extinguishing media</b>	Do not use water jet as an extinguisher, as this will spread the fire.
<b>Specific hazards arising from the chemical</b>	Explosion hazard: Avoid generating dust; fine dust dispersed in air in sufficient concentrations and in the presence of an ignition source is a potential dust explosion hazard. During fire, gases hazardous to health may be formed.
<b>Special protective equipment and precautions for firefighters</b>	Self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective clothing must be worn in case of fire.
<b>Fire fighting equipment/instructions</b>	In case of fire and/or explosion do not breathe fumes. Move containers from fire area if you can do so without risk.
<b>Specific methods</b>	Use standard firefighting procedures and consider the hazards of other involved materials.
<b>General fire hazards</b>	May form combustible dust concentrations in air.
<b>6. Accidental release measures</b>	
<b>Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures</b>	Keep unnecessary personnel away. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Use only non-sparking tools. Dust deposits should not be allowed to accumulate on surfaces, as these may form an explosive mixture if they are released into the atmosphere in sufficient concentration. Wear appropriate protective equipment and clothing during clean-up. Ensure adequate ventilation. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained. For personal protection, see section 8 of the SDS.
<b>Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up</b>	Eliminate all ignition sources (no smoking, flares, sparks, or flames in immediate area). Take precautionary measures against static discharge. Use only non-sparking tools. Avoid dispersal of dust in the air (i.e., clearing dust surfaces with compressed air). Stop the flow of material, if this is without risk.  Large Spills: Wet down with water and dike for later disposal. Shovel the material into waste container. Following product recovery, flush area with water.  Small Spills: Sweep up or vacuum up spillage and collect in suitable container for disposal.
<b>Environmental precautions</b>	Never return spills to original containers for re-use. For waste disposal, see section 13 of the SDS. Avoid discharge into drains, water courses or onto the ground.

## 7. Handling and storage

### Precautions for safe handling

Obtain special instructions before use. Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Minimize dust generation and accumulation. Avoid significant deposits of material, especially on horizontal surfaces, which may become airborne and form combustible dust clouds and may contribute to secondary explosions. Routine housekeeping should be instituted to ensure that dusts do not accumulate on surfaces. Dry powders can build static electricity charges when subjected to the friction of transfer and mixing operations. Provide adequate precautions, such as electrical grounding and bonding, or inert atmospheres. Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking. Explosion-proof general and local exhaust ventilation. Avoid prolonged exposure. Pregnant or breastfeeding women must not handle this product. Should be handled in closed systems, if possible. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment. Observe good industrial hygiene practices.

### Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store locked up. Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Store away from incompatible materials (see Section 10 of the SDS).

## 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

### Occupational exposure limits

#### U.S. - OSHA

Components	Type	Value	Form
Boron sodium oxide, tetrahydrate (CAS 12280-03-4)	PEL	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Respirable dust.
Wood dust (CAS Not applicable)	PEL	15 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Total Dust.
		5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Respirable dust.
		15 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Total fraction.

#### ACGIH

Components	Type	Value	Form
Wood dust (CAS Not applicable)	TWA	1 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Inhalable fraction.

#### US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards

Components	Type	Value	Form
Wood dust (CAS Not applicable)	TWA	1 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Dust.

### Biological limit values

No biological exposure limits noted for the ingredient(s).

### Appropriate engineering controls

Explosion-proof general and local exhaust ventilation. Good general ventilation (typically 10 air changes per hour) should be used. Ventilation rates should be matched to conditions. If applicable, use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to maintain airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If exposure limits have not been established, maintain airborne levels to an acceptable level.

### Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

#### Eye/face protection

Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles).

#### Skin protection

##### Hand protection

Wear appropriate chemical resistant gloves. Suitable gloves can be recommended by the glove supplier.

##### Skin protection

##### Other

Wear suitable protective clothing.

#### Respiratory protection

If engineering controls do not maintain airborne concentrations below recommended exposure limits (where applicable) or to an acceptable level (in countries where exposure limits have not been established), an approved respirator must be worn.

#### Thermal hazards

Wear appropriate thermal protective clothing, when necessary.

### General hygiene considerations

Observe any medical surveillance requirements. When using, do not eat, drink or smoke. 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 to remove contaminants.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

### Appearance

**Physical state** Solid.

**Form** Panel.

**Color** Varies.

**Odor** Odorless.

**Odor threshold** Not available.

**pH** Not available.

**Melting point/freezing point** Not available.

**Initial boiling point and boiling range** Not available.

**Flash point** Not available.

**Evaporation rate** Not available.

**Flammability (solid, gas)** Combustible dust.

### Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits

**Flammability limit - lower (%)** Not available.

**Flammability limit - upper (%)** Not available.

**Explosive limit - lower (%)** Not available.

**Explosive limit - upper (%)** Not available.

**Vapor pressure** Not available.

**Vapor density** Not available.

**Relative density** Not available.

### Solubility(ies)

**Solubility (water)** Insoluble

**Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water)** Not available.

**Auto-ignition temperature** Not available.

**Decomposition temperature** Not available.

**Viscosity** Not available.

### Other information

**Explosive properties** Not explosive.

**Oxidizing properties** Not oxidizing.

## 10. Stability and reactivity

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

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

**Possibility of hazardous reactions** No dangerous reaction known under conditions of normal use.

**Conditions to avoid** Keep away from heat, sparks and open flame. Contact with incompatible materials. Minimize dust generation and accumulation. Avoid high temperatures. Exposure to moisture. Protect against direct sunlight.

**Incompatible materials** Strong oxidizing agents.

**Hazardous decomposition products** No hazardous decomposition products are known.

## 11. Toxicological information

### Information on likely routes of exposure

**Inhalation** Prolonged inhalation may be harmful.

**Skin contact** No adverse effects due to skin contact are expected.

**Eye contact** Direct contact with eyes may cause temporary irritation.

<b>Ingestion</b>	Expected to be a low ingestion hazard.
<b>Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics</b>	Dusts may irritate the respiratory tract, skin and eyes. Coughing.
<b>Information on toxicological effects</b>	
<b>Acute toxicity</b>	Not expected to be acutely toxic.
<b>Skin corrosion/irritation</b>	Prolonged skin contact may cause temporary irritation.
<b>Serious eye damage/eye irritation</b>	Direct contact with eyes may cause temporary irritation.
<b>Respiratory or skin sensitization</b>	
<b>ACGIH sensitization</b>	
Wood dust (CAS Not applicable)	Dermal sensitization Respiratory sensitization
<b>Respiratory sensitization</b>	Not a respiratory sensitizer.
<b>Skin sensitization</b>	This product is not expected to cause skin sensitization.
<b>Germ cell mutagenicity</b>	No data available to indicate product or any components present at greater than 0.1% are mutagenic or genotoxic.
<b>Carcinogenicity</b>	May cause cancer.

**IARC Monographs. Overall Evaluation of Carcinogenicity**

Wood dust (CAS Not applicable) 1 Carcinogenic to humans.

**NTP Report on Carcinogens**

Wood dust (CAS Not applicable) Known To Be Human Carcinogen.

**OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1050)**

Not regulated.

<b>Reproductive toxicity</b>	May damage fertility or the unborn child.
<b>Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure</b>	Not classified.
<b>Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure</b>	Not classified.
<b>Aspiration hazard</b>	Not an aspiration hazard.
<b>Chronic effects</b>	Prolonged inhalation may be harmful. Prolonged exposure may cause chronic effects.

**12. Ecological information**

<b>Ecotoxicity</b>	The product is not classified as environmentally hazardous. However, this does not exclude the possibility that large or frequent spills can have a harmful or damaging effect on the environment.
<b>Persistence and degradability</b>	No data is available on the degradability of this product.
<b>Bioaccumulative potential</b>	
<b>Mobility in soil</b>	No data available.
<b>Other adverse effects</b>	No other adverse environmental effects (e.g. ozone depletion, photochemical ozone creation potential, endocrine disruption, global warming potential) are expected from this component.

**13. Disposal considerations**

<b>Disposal instructions</b>	Collect and reclaim or dispose in sealed containers at licensed waste disposal site. Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.
<b>Local disposal regulations</b>	Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations.
<b>Hazardous waste code</b>	The waste code should be assigned in discussion between the user, the producer and the waste disposal company.
<b>Waste from residues / unused products</b>	Dispose of in accordance with local regulations. Empty containers or liners may retain some product residues. This material and its container must be disposed of in a safe manner (see: Disposal instructions).
<b>Contaminated packaging</b>	Since emptied containers may retain product residue, follow label warnings even after container is emptied. Empty containers should be taken to an approved waste handling site for recycling or disposal.

## 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 Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code** Not applicable.

## 15. Regulatory information

**US federal regulations** This product is a "Hazardous Chemical" as defined by the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard, 29 CFR 1910.1200.

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

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

Not regulated.

### OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1050)

Not regulated.

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

Not listed.

### Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA)

**Hazard categories** Immediate Hazard - No  
Delayed Hazard - Yes  
Fire Hazard - Yes  
Pressure Hazard - No  
Reactivity Hazard - No

### SARA 302 Extremely hazardous substance

Not listed.

**SARA 311/312 Hazardous chemical** Yes

**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 (SDWA)** Not regulated.

### US state regulations

#### US. Massachusetts RTK - Substance List

Not regulated.

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

Boron sodium oxide, tetrahydrate (CAS 12280-03-4)  
Wood dust (CAS Not applicable)

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

Wood dust (CAS Not applicable)

#### 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

Wood dust (CAS Not applicable)

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

**Issue date** 01-April-2016  
**Revision date** -  
**Version #** 01  
**Further information** Refer to NFPA 654, Standard for the Prevention of Fire and Dust Explosions from the Manufacturing, Processing, and Handling of Combustible Particulate Solids, for safe handling.  
**HMIS® ratings** Health: 2\*  
Flammability: 2  
Physical hazard: 0

### NFPA ratings



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