

# SAFETY INFORMATION

# TOPFLOW SCREED A

Anhydrite based self-leveling screed

# 1 IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE AND OF THE COMPANY/UNDERTAKING

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Substance name TOPFLOW SCREED A

This safety datasheet only applies to anhydrite-based products. It does not apply to cement-containing products

For further details of the specific tion refer to the relevant Technical Data Sheet.

# 1.2 Relevant identified uses of the sub-tance or mixture and uses advised against

Please check the identified uses in Table 1 of the Appendix of this SDS. Uses advised against: There are no uses advised against.

# 1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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# 1.4 Emergency telephone

Emergency telephone number available during office

hours: *Tel 0800 917 8888* 

Emergency telephone number available outside office

hours: No

# **2 HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**

# 2.1 Classification of the substance 2.1.1 Classification according to Directive 67/548/ EEC:

Hazardous - Irritant R34, R38, R41, R43

# 2.1.2 Classific tion according to Regulation EC 1272/2008:

# Signal Word: Danger

STOT SE3, Eye damage 1, Skin Sensitisation 1, Skin Irritation 2.

H315. H317. H318. H372

Wet screed can cause serious alkali burns if in direct contact with skin or eyes.

#### Skin:



Alkali burns, a form of skin ulceration, may result from contact with freshly mixed concrete. Contact with strongly alkaline solutions such as concrete can initially cause

nerve damage. Contact with strongly alkaline solutions like wet screed can initially cause nerve damage. Chemical burns may occur without the person being aware because they do not feel any pain. Contact with wet screed can cause skin disease. Irritant contact dermatitis is caused by the combination of the wetness, alkalinity and abrasiveness of the product. Allergic contact dermatitis may be caused by individual sensitivity to chromium compounds in cement.

#### Eves:



Wet concrete in contact with eyes can cause irritation, inflamm tion or serious alkali burns, which may lead to blindness.

#### Ingestion:

Swallowing small amounts of fresh concrete is unlikely to cause any significant eaction. Larger amounts can cause irritation of the stomach and intestines.

#### Inhalation



Wet screed is not likely to create dust, but respirable dust may be released by the

surface treatment and cutting or drilling of hardened concrete. If inhaled in excessive quantities over a prolonged period or extended period, respirable dust can constitute a long term health hazard. Dusts



containing Respirable Crystalline Silica\* (quartz) present a greater hazard. Long-term exposure to respirable dust can lead to respiratory system damage and disease. Respirable crystalline silica has been associated with the lung disease silicosis. The quartz content of the product will vary, and is related to the type of aggregate used in the production of the concrete. Advice on the quartz content and other chemical information is available from the supplying unit.

\*Any references to respirable silica in this document only apply if hardened concrete is cut, drilled, milled or planed

# **3 COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

Topfl w Screed A anhydrite-based screed is a mixture of:

- Anhydrite binder (a mixture of calcium sulphate, calcium fluoride and calcium di ydroxide).
- Sand aggregate.
- Admixtures to modify the properties of the fresh or hardened screed.
- Water.

Hazardous Ingredients:					
Substance Name	EC No	%	DSD Classification	CLP Classification	
Calcium Dihyrdoxide	278 - 137-3	<2	Xi; R41	H318	
Crystaline Silicia*	238- 878-4	>50	Xn; R48/20	H372	

# **4 FIRST AID MEASURES**

#### 4.1 Description of fir t aid measures

# General advice

No known delayed effects. Consult a physician for all exposures except for minor instances.

# Following inhalation

If dust from cutting, drilling or grinding screed is inhaled, remove to fresh air. If breathing difficulties or inflamm tion are experienced, seek medical attention.

# Following skin contact

Where skin contact occurs with wet screed, either directly or through saturated clothing, the screed must be washed off immediately with soap and water.

### Following eye contact

Immediately and thoroughly irrigate with copious amounts of eye wash solution or clean water.

Seek medical attention immediately.

#### After ingestion

Remove to fresh air. If person is conscious, rinse out mouth and give water to drink. Seek medical advice.

#### **5 FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES**

### 5.1 Extinguishing media

# 5.1.1 Suitable extinguishing media

Not applicable

# 5.1.2 Unsuitable extinguishing media

Not applicable

#### 5.2 Special exposure hazards

None

# 5.3 Special Protective Equipment for Firefigh ers

None

#### **6 ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

# 6.1 For personal precautions

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Wear impervious clothing, gloves and boots. Wear eye protection. See Section 8 for guidance on personal protective equipment. See Section 7 for guidance on handling the product.

#### **6.2 Environmental precautions**

Prevent wet screed from entering watercourses, ditches and drains.

# 6.3 Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Clean up any spillage before the screed hardens, using suction or mechanical removal methods.

### **7 HANDLING AND STORAGE**

# 7.1 Precautions for safe handling

#### 7.1.1 Protective measures

Avoid skin and eye contact. Wet screed can cause alkali burns if in direct contact with skin or eyes. Contact with wet screed may also cause skin disease by the combination of the wetness, alkalinity and abrasiveness of the product.

Do not sit or kneel in wet, un-hardened screed without wearing the correct personal protective equipment.

Where wet screed enters boots or gloves, or saturates clothing, the article should be removed immediately and washed before further use.

Refer to Section 8 for guidance on personal protection.



### 7.2 Conditions for safe storage

Screed is normally used upon receipt. However, during the hardening process access by unauthorised persons should be prevented.

Refer to the relevant Technical Data

Sheet for the specific p oduct.

# 8 EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

#### 8.1 Take measures to Prevent

a) Direct skin or eye contact with wet screed. It is also important not to kneel or sit in wet screed as harmful contact can occur through saturated clothing.
b) Inhalation of dust created by the surface treatment and cutting of hardened screed which contains quartz. If inhaled in excessive quantities over an extended period, respirable dust containing quartz can constitute a long term health hazard. Please also observe the other limits in the table below.

# 8.2 Exposure Control Limits / Source

Total Dust -	W.E.L.	10mg/m <sup>3</sup>	8 Hrs	T.W.A.
Respirable Dust -	W.E.L.	4mg/m³	8 Hrs	T.W.A
Respirable Quartz	W.E.L.	$0.1 \text{mg/m}^3$	8 Hrs	T.W.A
Crystalline Silica* (SiO²)				
Calcium Fluoride	W.E.L	$2.5 \text{mg/m}^3$	8 Hrs	T.W.A
Calcium Sulphate	W.E.L	2.0mg/m <sup>3</sup>	8 Hrs	T.W.A
Calcium Dihydroxide	W.E.L	5.0mg/m <sup>3</sup>	8 Hrs	T.W.A

W.E.L. = Workplace Exposure Limit T.W.A. = Time Weighted Average

#### 8.3.1 Control measures

Dust caused by cutting or drilling hardened screed should be controlled by containment, suppression and extraction/ filt ation where possible.

# 8.3.2 Inhalation

S22 - Do not breathe dust.

# 8.3.2.1 Eye/Skin/Hands protection

S24/25 - Avoid contact with skin and eyes.
S26 - In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.
S36/37/39 - Wear suitable protective clothing, gloves and eye / face protection.

#### 8.3.2.2 Respiratory protection

Respiratory protection is not usually required when working with wet screed, If work creates dust (e.g. when cutting or drilling hardened screed), and engineering controls do not keep dust levels below the levels shown in the table above, then suitable respiratory protection should be used to protect against inhalation of dust, and

to ensure exposure is below the Workplace Exposure Levels given in the table.

#### 8.4.2.2 Hand Protection

Impermeable gloves should be worn.

# 8.4.2.2 Eye Protection

Goggles should be worn to prevent the product entering the eyes (including dust).

#### 8.4.2.2 Skin Protection

Overalls and/or long-sleeved jackets and full length trousers should be worn to protect skin from contact with wet concrete. Outer clothing should be waterproof if contact with wet concrete is likely. Wear impermeable boots to protect feet. Safety wellington boots should be worn If working with wet concrete, with waterproof trousers pulled over them to help prevent concrete entering the boots. If concrete saturates clothing, or enters gloves or boots, remove the articles immediately and wash before wearing again.

In addition to the above, the use of skin barrier cream and aftercare products is also recommended.

#### 9 PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

# 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance	Off white Fluid
Odour	None
Hq	Typically 12-13 when wet
Melting point	Not determined
Boiling point	Not determined
Flash point	Not applicable
Auto Flammability	Not applicable
Flammability	Not applicable
<b>Explosive Properties</b>	Not applicable
Oxidising Properties	Not applicable
Vapour Pressure	Not applicable
Relative Density	2150kg/m <sup>3</sup>
Water Solubility	Not determined
Fat Solubility	Not determined

# 10 STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### 10.1 Conditions to avoid

None

#### 10.2 Materials to avoid

None



### 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

None.

#### 11 TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

#### 11.1 Inhalation

If inhaled over a prolonged or extended period, respirable dust from drilling or cutting hardened screed can lead to respiratory system damage and disease. Respirable crystalline silica\* has been associated with the lung disease silicosis.

### 11.2 Skin Contact

Skin contact with wet screed could result in alkali burns. Contact with wet screed may also cause skin disease by the combination of the wetness, alkalinity and abrasiveness of the product.

# 11.3 Eye Contact

Wet screed in contact with eyes can cause irritation, inflamm tion or alkali burns, which may lead to blindness.

# 11.4 Ingestion

Ingestion is very unlikely. Ingestion of large amounts may cause irritation of the stomach and intestines. Seek medical attention.

#### 12 ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

#### 12.1 Environmental Assessment

When used and disposed of as intended, no adverse environmental effects are foreseen, and screed should not pose a significant e ological hazard.

Prevent wet screed entering watercourses, ditches & drains.

# 13 DISPOSAL CONSIDERATION

## 13.1 Safe Handling of Residues / Waste Product:

Hardened screed is classed as non hazardous and 'inert' but should be disposed of in accordance with local and national legal requirements.

# 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

None - not classified as dange ous for transport

#### 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

A chemical safety assessment has been carried out for this substance

### 67/548/EEC: Irritant

#### Risk Phrases:

R34 - May cause burns.

R38 - Irritating to the skin.

R41 - Risk of serious damage to the eyes.

#### Safety Phrases

S2 - Keep out of reach of children.

S24/25 - Avoid contact with skin and eyes.

S26 - In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.

S36/37/39 - Wear suitable protective clothing, gloves and eye / face protection.

#### EC 1272/2008: Danger

Eye Dam. 1, Skin Sens. 1, Skin Irrit 2; STOT SE3 (Inhalation of dust)

#### Hazard Statements:

H315 - Causes skin irritation

H318 - Causes serious eye damage

H372 - Causes damage to organs through prolonged and repeated exposure (inhalation of respirable silica if hardened concrete is cut or drilled)

#### **Precautionary Statements:**

P102 - Keep out of reach of children

P261 - Avoid breathing dust

P262 - Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing.

P281 - Use personal protective equipment as required (see Section 8)



#### 16. OTHER INFORMATION

Training Advice: Wear and use of PPE. Recommended Uses and Applications: Industrial and construction applications.

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION:**

Contact Product Technical Support at Tarmac Limited using the details given in Section 1.

HSE Guidance Note EH40/2007
PPE Regulations 1992
COSHH Regulations 2002
Environmental Protection Act 1990
HSE Crystalline Silica EH59
Dangerous Substances Directive (DSD) 67/548/EEC
Classific tion, Labelling and Packaging Regulations (CLP)
EC1272/2008

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