

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

This safety data sheet was created pursuant to the requirements of: US - OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

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1. Identification

Product identifier

Product Name GWAX

Other means of identification

Product Code(s) GWAX30E, GWAX50E, GWAX50W, GWAX150A, GWAX150E, GWAX250E

**Synonyms** Polyethylene wax

Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use

**Recommended use**Masterbatch; hotmelt adhesives; base material for pigment and personal care.

**Restrictions on use**No information available

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

**Supplier Address** 

Braskem America, Inc. 1735 Market Street Philadelphia, PA 19103-7583 TEL: (800) 396 - 5251

**E-mail** productsafety@braskem.com

Emergency telephone number

Emergency telephone CHEMTREC: +1-703-527-3887 (INTERNATIONAL)

1-800-424-9300 (NORTH AMERICA)

# 2. Hazard(s) identification

# Classification

This chemical is considered hazardous by the 2012 OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200).

Combustible dust Yes

# Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)

Not applicable.

# Label elements

Warning

**Hazard statements** 

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May form combustible dust concentrations in air.

# Other information

No information available.

# 3. Composition/information on ingredients

#### Substance

**Synonyms** Polyethylene wax

Chemical name	CAS No	Weight-%	Trade secret
Polyethylene homopolymer	9002-88-4	>99	*

<sup>\*</sup>The exact percentage (concentration) of composition has been withheld as a trade secret.

# 4. First-aid measures

### **Description of first aid measures**

**Inhalation** Remove to fresh air.

**Eye contact** Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water, also under the eyelids.

**Skin contact** Wash skin with soap and water.

**Ingestion** Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water.

Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

**Symptoms** No information available.

Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

**Note to physicians**Treat symptomatically.

5. Fire-fighting measures

surrounding environment.

**Unsuitable extinguishing media** No information available.

**Specific hazards arising from the** Avoid generation of dust. Fine dust di

chemical

Avoid generation of dust. Fine dust dispersed in air may ignite.

#### **Explosion data**

Sensitivity to mechanical impact None. Sensitivity to static discharge Yes.

Special protective equipment and precautions for fire-fighters

Firefighters should wear self-contained breathing apparatus and full firefighting turnout gear. Use personal protection equipment.

# 6. Accidental release measures

## Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Personal precautions Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid generation of dust. Avoid contact with eyes. Use

personal protective equipment as required. Do not breathe dust. ELIMINATE all ignition sources (no smoking, flares, sparks or flames in immediate area). Take precautionary

measures against static discharges.

**Other information** Refer to protective measures listed in Sections 7 and 8.

#### Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Methods for containment Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Prevent dust cloud.

Methods for cleaning up

Take up with inert, damp, non-combustible material using clean non-sparking tools and

place into loosely covered plastic containers for later disposal. Pick up and transfer to

properly labeled containers.

Prevention of secondary hazards Take up with inert, damp, non-combustible material using clean non-sparking tools and

place into loosely covered plastic containers for later disposal. Take precautionary

measures against static discharge.

## 7. Handling and storage

### Precautions for safe handling

Advice on safe handling Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Ensure adequate

ventilation. Avoid generation of dust. Do not breathe dust. Avoid contact with eyes. Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking. Use spark-proof tools and explosion-proof equipment. Take precautionary measures

against static discharges.

#### Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

**Storage Conditions**Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Store locked up.

Keep out of the reach of children.

# 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

### Control parameters

Exposure Limits This product, as supplied, does not contain any hazardous materials with occupational

exposure limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies.

### Biological occupational exposure limits

This product, as supplied, does not contain any hazardous materials with biological limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies.

# **Appropriate engineering controls**

Engineering controls Showers

Eyewash stations Ventilation systems.

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

**Eye/face protection** Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles).

Hand protection Impervious gloves.

**Skin and body protection** Impervious clothing.

Respiratory protection No protective equipment is needed under normal use conditions. If exposure limits are

exceeded or irritation is experienced, ventilation and evacuation may be required.

**General hygiene considerations** Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Do not breathe dust.

# 9. Physical and chemical properties

# Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance Solid opaque granules

Physical state Solid

ColorWhite to slight yellowOdorOdorless to WaxyOdor thresholdNo data available

Property pH	<u>Values</u>	Remarks • Method No data available
Melting point / freezing point	90 - 130 °C / 194 - 266 °F	DIN 51007
Initial boiling point and boiling range		No data available
Flash point	> 210 °C / > 410 °F	DIN 2719
Evaporation rate		No data available
Flammability		No data available
Flammability Limit in Air		
Upper flammability or explosive limits		No data available
Lower flammability or explosive limits		No data available
Vapor pressure		No data available
Vapor density		No data available
Relative density	0.85 - 0.90 g/cm <sup>3</sup>	No data available
Water solubility	Insoluble in water	No data available
Solubility(ies)	Soluble in hydrocarbons, Organic solvents	No data available
Partition coefficient		No data available
Autoignition temperature	350 °C / 662 °F	No data available
Decomposition temperature		No data available
Kinematic viscosity		No data available
Dynamic viscosity	10 mPas - 900 mPas	DIN 2555
Other telephone the		

Other information

Explosive properties
Oxidizing properties
No information available

Liquid DensityNo information availableBulk density0.87 - 0.89 g/cm³ (DIN 1183-1)

# 10. Stability and reactivity

**Reactivity** None under normal use conditions.

Chemical stability Stable under normal conditions.

Possibility of hazardous reactions None under normal processing.

**Conditions to avoid** Excessive heat. Heating in air. Dust formation.

**Incompatible materials**None known based on information supplied.

Hazardous decomposition products Decomposition products depend on temperature, exposure to air, and the presence of other

substances. Processing may release irritating fumes, olefinic and paraffinic compounds, carbon monoxide, and carbon dioxide. Potential thermal decomposition products include trace aldehydes (including formaldehyde), alcohols, organic acids, and hydrocarbons.

# 11. Toxicological information

### Information on likely routes of exposure

#### **Product Information**

**Inhalation** Specific test data for the substance or mixture is not available. May cause irritation of

respiratory tract.

**Eye contact** Specific test data for the substance or mixture is not available.

**Skin contact** Specific test data for the substance or mixture is not available.

**Ingestion** Specific test data for the substance or mixture is not available.

### Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics

**Symptoms** No information available.

**Acute toxicity** 

**Numerical measures of toxicity** 

**Component Information** 

Oral LD50	Dermal LD50	Inhalation LC50
> 4000 mg/Kg (rat)	-	-

# Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure

**Skin corrosion/irritation** No information available.

Serious eye damage/eye irritation No information available.

Respiratory or skin sensitization No information available.

**Germ cell mutagenicity** No information available.

**Carcinogenicity** No information available.

The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen.

Chemical name	ACGIH	IARC	NTP	OSHA
Polyethylene homopolymer	-	Group 3	-	-
9002-88-4				

### Legend

## IARC (International Agency for Research on Cancer)

Group 3 - Not Classifiable as to Carcinogenicity in Humans

**Reproductive toxicity** No information available.

**STOT - single exposure** No information available.

**STOT - repeated exposure** No information available.

**Aspiration hazard** No information available.

Other adverse effects No information available.

Interactive effects No information available.

# 12. Ecological information

**Ecotoxicity** The environmental impact of this product has not been fully investigated.

Persistence and degradability No information available.

**Bioaccumulation** There is no data for this product.

Other adverse effects No information available.

# 13. Disposal considerations

# Waste treatment methods

Waste from residues/unused

products

Dispose of in accordance with local regulations. Dispose of waste in accordance with

environmental legislation.

**Contaminated packaging** Do not reuse empty containers.

# 14. Transport information

**DOT** Not regulated

<u>IATA</u> Not regulated

IMDG Not regulated

EmS-No

# 15. Regulatory information

Note: Please contact supplier for regulatory information

### **International Inventories**

**TSCA** 

Contact supplier for inventory compliance status.

### **US Federal Regulations**

# **SARA 313**

Section 313 of Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA). This product does not contain any chemicals which are subject to the reporting requirements of the Act and Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 372.

# SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories

Should this product meet EPCRA 311/312 Tier reporting criteria at 40 CFR 370, refer to Section 2 of this SDS for appropriate classifications.

# **CWA (Clean Water Act)**

This product does not contain any substances regulated as pollutants pursuant to the Clean Water Act (40 CFR 122.21 and 40 CFR 122.42).

### **CERCLA**

This material, as supplied, does not contain any substances regulated as hazardous substances under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) (40 CFR 302) or the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) (40 CFR 355). There may be specific reporting requirements at the local, regional, or state level pertaining to releases of this material.

### **US State Regulations**

### **California Proposition 65**

See NOTE at top of Section 15 of SDS.

### **U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations**

See NOTE at top of Section 15 of SDS.

### U.S. EPA Label Information

EPA Pesticide Registration Number Not applicable

# 16. Other information

NFPA Health hazards 0 Flammability 1 Instability 0 Special hazards - Halls Health hazards 0 Flammability 1 Physical hazards 0 Personal protection X

Key or legend to abbreviations and acronyms used in the safety data sheet

#### Legend Section 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

TWA TWA (time-weighted average) STEL STEL (Short Term Exposure Limit)

Ceiling Maximum limit value \* Skin designation

# Key literature references and sources for data used to compile the SDS

Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ChemView Database

European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) EPA (Environmental Protection Agency)

Acute Exposure Guideline Level(s) (AEGL(s))

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency High Production Volume Chemicals

Food Research Journal

Hazardous Substance Database

International Uniform Chemical Information Database (IUCLID)

Japan GHS Classification

Australia National Industrial Chemicals Notification and Assessment Scheme (NICNAS)

NIOSH (National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health)

National Library of Medicine's ChemID Plus (NLM CIP)

National Library of Medicine's PubMed database (NLM PUBMED)

National Toxicology Program (NTP)

New Zealand's Chemical Classification and Information Database (CCID)

Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development Environment, Health, and Safety Publications

Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development High Production Volume Chemicals Program

Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development Screening Information Data Set

World Health Organization

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