SAFETY DATA SHEET

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and Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008

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SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

1.1. Product identifier

Product Code(s) GWAX10A, GWAX30E, GWAX 50A, GWAX50E, GWAX50W, GWAX150A, GWAX150E, GWAX250E, GWAX 260A

Product Name GWAX

Synonyms Polyethylene wax

Pure substance/mixture Mixture

1.2. Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

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

Uses advised against No information available

1.3. Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Supplier
Braskem Netherlands BV
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NL - 3012NJ- Rotterdam, Netherlands
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For further information, please contact
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1.4. Emergency telephone number

Emergency telephone CHEMTREC International: +1 703-741-5970

Emergency telephone - §45 - (EC)1272/2008	
Europe	**112**

SECTION 2: Hazards identification

2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008
This mixture is classified as not hazardous according to regulation (EC) 1272/2008 [CLP]

2.2. Label elements

Hazard statements
Not classified

Unknown acute toxicity
>99 % of the mixture consists of ingredient(s) of unknown acute dermal toxicity.

>99 % of the mixture consists of ingredient(s) of unknown acute inhalation toxicity (dust/mist).

Additional information
The synthetic polymer microparticles supplied is subject to conditions laid down by entry 78 of Annex XVII to Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council.

2.3. Other hazards
May form combustible dust concentrations in air.
This substance does not meet the PBT/vPvB criteria of REACH, annex XIII

Endocrine Disruptor Information This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors.

SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

3.1 Substances

Not applicable

3.2 Mixtures

Chemical name	Weight-%	REACH registration number	EC No (EU Index No)	Classification according to Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008 [CLP]	Specific concentration limit (SCL)	M-Factor	M-Factor (long-term)
Polyethylene homopolymer 9002-88-4	>99	No data available	618-339-3	[C]	-	-	-

Classification according to Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008 [CLP] - Notes
[C] - Components with occupational exposure limits and/or biological occupational exposure limits requiring monitoring

Full text of H- and EUH-phrases: see section 16

Acute Toxicity Estimate
If LD50/LC50 data is not available or does not correspond to the classification category, then the appropriate conversion value from CLP Annex I, Table 3.1.2, is used to calculate the acute toxicity estimate (ATEmix) for classifying a mixture based on its components

Chemical name	Oral LD50 mg/kg	Dermal LD50 mg/kg	Inhalation LC50 - 4 hour - dust/mist - mg/L	Inhalation LC50 - 4 hour - vapour - mg/L	Inhalation LC50 - 4 hour - gas - ppm
Polyethylene homopolymer 9002-88-4	> 4000 mg/Kg	-	-	-	-

+ This value is the harmonised acute toxicity estimate (ATE) listed in CLP Annex VI, Part 3. This harmonised ATE value must be used when calculating the acute toxicity estimate (ATEmix) for classifying a mixture containing the listed substance

This product does not contain candidate substances of very high concern at a concentration >=0.1% (Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 (REACH), Article 59).

This product contains one or more synthetic polymer microparticles as defined by entry 78 of Annex XVII to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006.

Chemical name	CAS No.	Weight-%	Synthetic polymer microparticles
Polyethylene homopolymer	9002-88-4	>99	X

SECTION 4: First aid measures

4.1. 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 afterwards drink plenty of water.

Self-protection of the first aider Wear personal protective clothing (see section 8).

4.2. Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Symptoms Product dust may be irritating to eyes, skin and respiratory system.

4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Note to doctors Treat symptomatically.

SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

5.1. Extinguishing media

Suitable Extinguishing Media Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.

Unsuitable extinguishing media No information available.

5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Specific hazards arising from the chemical Avoid generation of dust. Fine dust dispersed in air may ignite.

5.3. Advice for firefighters

Specific/special fire-fighting measures Fires need to be assessed to determine appropriate protocols and safety measures for firefighting, including establishing safe zones, extinguishing media to be used, firefighter protection, and actions to control or extinguish the fire.

Special protective equipment and precautions for fire-fighters Firefighters should wear self-contained breathing apparatus and full firefighting turnout gear. Use personal protection equipment.

SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Personal precautions Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid generation of dust. Do not breathe dust. Avoid contact with eyes. ELIMINATE all ignition sources (no smoking, flares, sparks or flames in immediate area). Take precautionary measures against static discharges.

For emergency responders Use personal protection recommended in Section 8.

6.2. Environmental precautions

Environmental precautions Do not allow into any sewer, on the ground or into any body of water. Prevent product from entering drains. See Section 12 for additional Ecological Information.

6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Methods for containment Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Prevent dust cloud. Take up mechanically, placing in appropriate containers for disposal.

Methods for cleaning up Take up mechanically, placing in appropriate containers for disposal.

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. Clean contaminated objects and areas thoroughly observing environmental regulations.

6.4. Reference to other sections

Reference to other sections See section 8 for more information See section 13 for more information

SECTION 7: Handling and storage

7.1. 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. Take precautionary measures against static discharges.

General hygiene considerations Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Storage Conditions Keep containers tightly closed in a cool, well-ventilated place. Keep out of the reach of children.

7.3. Specific end use(s)

Specific use(s) Masterbatch; hotmelt adhesives; base material for pigment and personal care.

SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1. Control parameters

Exposure Limits

Chemical name	European Union	Austria	Belgium	Bulgaria	Croatia
Polyethylene homopolymer 9002-88-4	-	-	-	TWA: 10.0 mg/m^3	-
Chemical name	Cyprus	Czech Republic	Denmark	Estonia	Finland
Polyethylene homopolymer 9002-88-4	-	TWA: 5 mg/m^3	-	-	-
Chemical name	Ireland	Italy MDLPS	Italy AIDII	Latvia	Lithuania
Polyethylene homopolymer 9002-88-4	-	-	-	TWA: 5 mg/m^3	TWA: 10 mg/m^3

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

Derived No Effect Level (DNEL) - Workers No information available

Derived No Effect Level (DNEL) - General Public No information available.

Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC) No information available.

8.2. Exposure controls

Engineering controls	Showers Eyewash stations Ventilation systems.
Personal protective equipment	
Eye/face protection	Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles). Eye protection must conform to standard EN 166.
Hand protection	Impervious gloves. Gloves must conform to standard EN 374.
Skin and body protection	Impervious clothing. (EN ISO 6529).
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.
Environmental exposure controls	No information available.

SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance	Solid opaque granules
Physical state	Solid
Colour	White to slight yellow
Odour	Odourless to Waxy
Odour threshold	No information available

Property	**Values**	**Remarks • Method**
Melting point / freezing point	90 - 130 °C	DIN 51007
Initial boiling point and boiling range		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
Flash point	> 200 °C	DIN 2719
Autoignition temperature	350 °C	
Decomposition temperature		No data available
pH		No data available
pH (as aqueous solution)		No data available
Kinematic viscosity		No data available
Dynamic viscosity	10 mPas – 900 mPas	DIN 2555
Water solubility	Insoluble in water	
Solubility(ies)	Organic solvents Soluble in hydrocarbons	
Partition coefficient		No data available

Vapour pressure		No data available
Relative density		No data available
Bulk density	0.85 - 0.95 g/cm³	DIN 1183-1
Liquid Density		No data available
Vapour density		No data available
Particle characteristics		
Particle Size		No data available
Particle Size Distribution		No data available

9.2. Other information

9.2.1. Information with regards to physical hazard classes
Not applicable

9.2.2. Other safety characteristics
No information available
Sensitivity to mechanical impact None

SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

10.1. Reactivity

Reactivity None under normal use conditions.

10.2. Chemical stability

Stability Stable under normal conditions.

Explosion data
Sensitivity to mechanical impact None.
Sensitivity to static discharge None.

10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

Possibility of hazardous reactions None under normal processing.

10.4. Conditions to avoid

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

10.5. Incompatible materials

Incompatible materials Strong oxidising agents.

10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

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.

SECTION 11: Toxicological information

11.1. Information on hazard classes as defined in Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

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 Product dust may be irritating to eyes, skin and respiratory system.

Acute toxicity

Numerical measures of toxicity
Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

Unknown acute toxicity
>99 % of the mixture consists of ingredient(s) of unknown acute dermal toxicity.
>99 % of the mixture consists of ingredient(s) of unknown acute inhalation toxicity (dust/mist).

Component Information

Chemical name	Oral LD50	Dermal LD50	Inhalation LC50
Polyethylene homopolymer	> 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 sensitisation No information available.

Germ cell mutagenicity No information available.

Carcinogenicity No information available.

Reproductive toxicity No information available.

STOT - single exposure No information available.

STOT - repeated exposure No information available.

Aspiration hazard No information available.

11.2. Information on other hazards

11.2.1. Endocrine disrupting properties

Endocrine disrupting properties This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors.

11.2.2. Other information

Other adverse effects No information available.

SECTION 12: Ecological information

12.1. Toxicity

Ecotoxicity The environmental impact of this product has not been fully investigated. Material in pellet or bead form may mechanically cause adverse effects if ingested by waterfowl or aquatic life. Avoid release to the environment.

12.2. Persistence and degradability

Persistence and degradability No information available.

12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

Bioaccumulation There is no data for this product.

12.4. Mobility in soil

Mobility in soil No information available.

12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

PBT and vPvB assessment No information available.

12.6. Endocrine disrupting properties

Endocrine disrupting properties This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors.

12.7. Other adverse effects

Other adverse effects No information available.

PMT or vPvM properties Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

13.1. Waste treatment methods

Waste from residues/unused products Dispose of in accordance with local regulations. Dispose of waste in accordance with environmental legislation. Should not be released into the environment.

Contaminated packaging Do not dispose of with household waste. Do not flush to sewer. Do not allow to enter into surface water or drains. Do not reuse empty containers.

Waste codes / waste designations according to EWC / AVV According to the European Waste Catalogue, Waste Codes are not product specific, but application specific. Waste codes should be assigned by the user based on the application for which the product was used.

SECTION 14: Transport information

IMDG Not regulated

14.1 UN number or ID number Not regulated

14.2 UN proper shipping name Not regulated

14.3 Transport hazard class(es) Not regulated

14.4 Packing group Not regulated

14.5 Environmental hazards Not applicable
14.6 Special Precautions for Users
Special Provisions None
14.7 Maritime transport in bulk according to IMO instruments No information available

RID Not regulated
14.1 UN number Not regulated
14.2 UN proper shipping name Not regulated
14.3 Transport hazard class(es) Not regulated
14.4 Packing group Not regulated
14.5 Environmental hazards Not applicable
14.6 Special Precautions for Users
Special Provisions None

ADR Not regulated
14.1 UN number or ID number Not regulated
14.2 UN proper shipping name Not regulated
14.3 Transport hazard class(es) Not regulated
14.4 Packing group Not regulated
14.5 Environmental hazards Not applicable
14.6 Special Precautions for Users
Special Provisions None

IATA Not regulated
14.1 UN number or ID number Not regulated
14.2 UN proper shipping name Not regulated
14.3 Transport hazard class(es) Not regulated
14.4 Packing group Not regulated
14.5 Environmental hazards Not applicable
14.6 Special Precautions for Users
Special Provisions None
Note: None

SECTION 15: Regulatory information

15.1. Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

National regulations

France
Occupational Illnesses (R-463-3, France)

Chemical name	French RG number
Polyethylene homopolymer 9002-88-4	RG 66

Germany
Water hazard class (WGK) non-hazardous to water (nwg)

European Union
Take note of Directive 98/24/EC on the protection of the health and safety of workers from the risks related to chemical agents at work.

Authorisations and/or restrictions on use:
This product does not contain substances subject to authorisation (Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 (REACH), Annex XIV).
This product contains one or more substance(s) subject to authorisation (Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 (REACH), Annex XVII).

Persistent Organic Pollutants
Not applicable

Ozone-depleting substances (ODS) regulation (EC) 1005/2009
Not applicable

Ordinance on the Incentive Tax on Volatile Organic Compounds (OVOC) SR 814.018
Not applicable

WPO (GSchV) SR 814.201; WPA (GSchG) SR 814.20
Not applicable

International Inventories

TSCA Contact supplier for inventory compliance status

15.2. Chemical safety assessment

Chemical Safety Report No information available

SECTION 16: Other information

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

Legend
ATE: Acute Toxicity Estimate
SVHC: Substances of Very High Concern for Authorisation:
PBT: Persistent, Bioaccumulative, and Toxic (PBT) Chemicals
vPvB: Very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative (vPvB) Chemicals

Legend Section 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

TWA	TWA (time-weighted average)	STEL	STEL (Short Term Exposure Limit)
Ceiling	Maximum limit value	*	Skin designation

Classification procedure	
Classification according to Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008 [CLP]	Method Used
Acute oral toxicity	Calculation method
Acute dermal toxicity	Calculation method
Acute inhalation toxicity - gas	Calculation method
Acute inhalation toxicity - vapour	Calculation method
Acute inhalation toxicity - dust/mist	Calculation method
Skin corrosion/irritation	Calculation method
Serious eye damage/eye irritation	Calculation method
Respiratory sensitisation	Calculation method
Skin sensitisation	Calculation method
Mutagenicity	Calculation method
Carcinogenicity	Calculation method
Reproductive toxicity	Calculation method
STOT - single exposure	Calculation method
STOT - repeated exposure	Calculation method
Acute aquatic toxicity	Calculation method
Chronic aquatic toxicity	Calculation method
Aspiration hazard	Calculation method
Ozone	Calculation method

Key literature references and sources for data used to compile the SDS
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ChemView Database
European Food Safety Authority (EFSA)
European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) Committee for Risk Assessment (ECHA_RAC)
European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) (ECHA_API)
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
Australian 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 Toxicology Program (NTP)
New Zealand's Chemical Classification and Information Database (CCID)
Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development Environment, Health, and Safety Publications
Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development High Production Volume Chemicals Programme
Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development Screening Information Data Set
World Health Organization

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