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Product Name

Balsa Wood and Associated Sawdust (Ochroma lagopus and

Ochroma pryramidale)

Article Number

NA NA

1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

Other Names Product Use

Structural core material, model making, surfboards.

Company Name

Saunders Midwest LLC, 29 E Madison St. Suite 900

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2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE. NOT DANGEROUS GOODS.

Wood dust is classified as hazardous according to the criteria of OSHA and California Prop 65

Risk Phrases

For wood dust:

R2 Risk of explosion by fire or other source of ignition.

R36 Imitating to eyes.

R37 Imitating to respiratory system, R42 May cause sensitization by inhalation, R43 May cause sensitization by skin contact, R49 May cause cancer by inhalation.

Safety Phrases

\$16 Keep away from sources of Ignition, \$22 Do not breathe dust.

S22 Do not breathe dust.
S25 Avoid contact with eyes
S39 Wear eye / face protection.
S51 Use only in well ventilated areas.

NA

3. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Ingredient (common name)

CAS Number

Proportion of Ingredients 100%

Baisa wood

Product contains no hazardous Ingredients

per 29 CFR 1910,1200

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

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Inhalation

In mild cases of balsa dust inhalation, remove affected person from the area and into fresh air. In extreme cases, when breathing is hindered or stopped, immediately call emergency medical services. If breathing is hindered, give

oxygen. If breathing is stopped administer CPR.

Ingestion

If large quantities have been ingested, seek prompt medical attention.

8kin Eyes

Wash dust off of skin with soap and water. Irrigate eyes with water, lifting lower and upper eyelids. If irritation persists, seek

5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

For major fires call the Fire Department. Ensure that an escape

path is available from any fire.

Suitable Extinguishing Media

Smother flames with water, dry chemical CO2. Wood will smolder unless fully exlinguished. Wet wood dust with water to

prevent dispersion into the air.

Precautions for Fire Fighters

Wood dust is a strong to severe explosion hazard if a dust "cloud" contacts an ignition source. Wear protective clothing and self contained breathing apparatus.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Methods for Containment and Cleanup Pick up wood mechanically. Sweep up or vacuum any dust, taking care not to inhale the dust.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Do not breathe in any wood dust and avoid eye contact with wood dust...

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Exposure Standard

OSHA

Wood dust (soft wood):

TWA: = 15 mg/m3 (total dust)

TWA = 5 mg/ m3 (respirable fraction)

Engineering Controls

Ensure adequate ventilation when working with balsa wood and dust is created. Work areas should be cleaned daily and dust should be removed by vacuum cleaning or the wet sweeping method. Under factory conditions, sawing, drilling and sanding should be done with equipment fitted with local exhaust devices capable of removing wood dust, at the source. Hand power tools should be fitted with dust bags and used in well ventilated areas.

Personal Protection

Respiratory Protection

Wear a breathing filter mask when working with balsa wood and dust

is created.

Body Protection

Wear overalls when working with balsa wood and dust is created,

Clean skin thoroughly after work,

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Eye protection

Wear safety glasses when working with balsa wood.

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9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appoarance

Odor

White to light brown colored wood. The grain of the wood is soft to

the touch. Balsa wood dust is white to light brown colored fibrous dust.

None

Vapor Pressure

Not applicable Density at 20°C 60 - 250kg/m³

Freezing / Meiting point

Not applicable

No information available

Solubility

Insoluble

Specific Gravity

No information available

Flash Point Flammable Limits LEL No Information available No information available

Flammable Limits UEL

No information available

Ignition Temperature

> 200°C

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Chemical Stability

Stable

Hazardous Decomposition Products

Carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, organic acids, traces

of hydrocarbons.

Hazardous Reactions

Wood dust may pose a strong to severe explosion hazard if cloud of

wood dust comes into contact with an ignition source.

Incompatible Materials

Strong oxidizers may cause wood to Ignite.

Conditions to Avoid Keep away from sources of ignition.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Toxicity Studies Routes of Exposure

No information available

Inhalation, Ingestion, Eye, Skin

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