

Safety Data Sheet

ULTRAFORM® H4320 UNCOLORED Q600 POLYACETAL

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1. Product and Company Identification

Company
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Synonyms:

POLYOXYMETHYLENE COPOLYMER

2. Hazards Identification

Emergency overview

CAUTION:
MAY CAUSE EYE, SKIN AND RESPIRATORY TRACT IRRITATION.
MAY CAUSE RESPIRATORY SENSITIZATION (OSHA 29 CFR 1910.1048)
UNDER HOT MELT PROCESSING CONDITIONS, WEAR PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT TO PREVENT THERMAL BURNS.
HEATING DURING PROCESSING OF PRODUCT MAY RESULT IN RELEASE OF THE DECOMPOSITION PRODUCT FORMALDEHYDE.
MAY EMIT FORMALDEHYDE WHICH CAN CAUSE CANCER.

State of matter: solid
Colour: opaque
Odour: odourless

Potential health effects

Primary routes of exposure:

Routes of entry for solids and liquids include eye and skin contact, ingestion and inhalation. Routes of entry for gases include inhalation and eye contact. Skin contact may be a route of entry for liquified gases.

Acute toxicity:

Contact with molten product may cause thermal burns. The resin in pelleted form poses a low hazard.

Irritation / corrosion:

Irritation is possible when the product comes in contact with the skin, respiratory tract or the eyes.

Sensitization:

No data available concerning sensitizing effects. provisional classification.

Chronic toxicity:

Repeated dose toxicity: No adverse effects have been reported in the processing and use of the product. No known chronic effects.



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Genotoxicity: No data available concerning mutagenic effects. provisional classification.

Medical conditions aggravated by overexposure:

The use of products that contain or liberate formaldehyde is regulated under the OSHA Formaldehyde Standard (see 29 CFR 1910.1048).

Potential environmental effects

Aquatic toxicity:

The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from the structure of the product. There is a high probability that the product is not acutely harmful to aquatic organisms.

Degradation / environmental fate:

Experience shows this product to be inert and non-degradable.

3. Composition / Information on Ingredients

<u>CAS Number</u>	<u>Content (W/W)</u>	<u>Chemical name</u>
24969-26-4	> 98.0 %	polyoxymethylene copolymerizate (POM)

4. First-Aid Measures

General advice:

Burns caused by molten material require hospital treatment.

If inhaled:

If formaldehyde vapour is inhaled, remove person to fresh air and keep warm, if necessary summon physician.

If on skin:

If contacted with decomposition products wash affected areas with soap and water.

If in eyes:

In case decomposition products come into contact with the eyes, immediately flush with running water for at least 15 minutes.

If swallowed:

Ingestion is not likely in the available physical form. If ingested, seek medical attention.

5. Fire-Fighting Measures

Flash point:	320 - 340 °C	(ASTM D1929)
Self-ignition temperature:		not self-igniting

Suitable extinguishing media:

water, foam, dry extinguishing media

Hazards during fire-fighting:

carbon monoxide, formaldehyde,
Formation of further decomposition and oxidation products depends upon the fire conditions.

Protective equipment for fire-fighting:

Firefighters should be equipped with self-contained breathing apparatus and turn-out gear.



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6. Accidental release measures

Environmental precautions:

This product is not regulated by RCRA. This product is not regulated by CERCLA ('Superfund').

Cleanup:

Reclaim for processing if possible. Sweep/shovel up. Place into suitable containers for reuse or disposal in a licensed facility.

Further information:

High risk of slipping due to leakage/spillage of product.

7. Handling and Storage

Handling

General advice:

Avoid inhalation of dusts/mists/vapours. Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at machinery.

Protection against fire and explosion:

Containers should be grounded against electrostatic charge.

Storage

General advice:

Keep container tightly closed. Avoid deposition of dust.

Storage stability:

Protect against moisture.

8. Exposure Controls and Personal Protection

Components with workplace control parameters

Formaldehyde	OSHA	TWA value 0.75 ppm ; STEL value 2 ppm ; OSHA
	ACGIH	Action level 0.5 ppm ;
		CLV 0.3 ppm ;

Advice on system design:

Provide local exhaust ventilation to control dusts/vapours.

Personal protective equipment

Respiratory protection:

Wear a NIOSH-certified (or equivalent) particulate respirator. Wear respiratory protection if ventilation is inadequate.

Hand protection:

Wear gloves to prevent contact during mechanical processing and/or hot melt conditions.

Eye protection:

Tightly fitting safety goggles (chemical goggles).

General safety and hygiene measures:

Wear protective clothing to prevent contact during mechanical processing and/or hot melt conditions. Avoid inhalation of dust. Wash soiled clothing immediately.



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9. Physical and Chemical Properties

Form:	pellets	
Odour:	odourless	
Colour:	opaque	
pH value:		not soluble
melting range:	160 - 175 °C	(DIN EN ISO 3146)
Boiling range:		The substance / product decomposes therefore not determined.
Vapour pressure:		not applicable
Relative density:	1.35 - 1.45	
Bulk density:	850 kg/m3	
Solubility in water:		insoluble

10. Stability and Reactivity

Conditions to avoid:

Avoid prolonged exposure to extreme heat.

Substances to avoid:

inorganic acids, organic acids

Hazardous reactions:

Do not process with PVC or other plastics containing halogenated flame retardants.

Decomposition products:

Possible decomposition products: carbon monoxide, Formaldehyde

Thermal decomposition:

> 240 °C

Corrosion to metals:

No corrosive effect on metal.

11. Toxicological information

Acute toxicity

Information on: Formaldehyde

Assessment of acute toxicity:

Of high toxicity after short-term inhalation. Of high toxicity after short-term skin contact. Of high toxicity after single ingestion.

Inhalation:

Information on: Formaldehyde

Type of value: LC50

Species: rat

Value: 0.578 mg/l

Exposure time: 4 h

Dermal:

Information on: Formaldehyde

Type of value: LD50

Species: rabbit

Value: approx. 270 mg/kg



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Sensitization:

Information on: Formaldehyde
Mouse Local Lymph Node Assay (LLNA)
Species: mouse
Result: sensitizing
Guinea pig maximization test
Species: guinea pig
Result: sensitizing
Method: OECD Guideline 406

Other Information:

Based on our experience and the information available, no adverse health effects are expected if handled as recommended with suitable precautions for designated uses.

12. Ecological Information

Aquatic toxicity

Information on: Formaldehyde
Assessment of aquatic toxicity:
Acutely toxic for aquatic organisms. Depending on local conditions and existing concentrations, disturbances in the biodegradation process of activated sludge are possible.
Information on: Glass, oxide, chemicals
Assessment of aquatic toxicity:
There is a high probability that the product is not acutely harmful to aquatic organisms. The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from the structure of the product. No toxic effects occur within the range of solubility.

13. Disposal considerations

Waste disposal of substance:

Incinerate in a licensed facility. Do not discharge substance/product into sewer system.

Container disposal:

Dispose of in accordance with national, state and local regulations.

14. Transport Information

Land transport

USDOT

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Sea transport

IMDG

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Air transport
IATA/ICAO

Not classified as a dangerous good under transport regulations

15. Regulatory Information

Federal Regulations

Registration status:

Chemical TSCA, US released / listed

EPCRA 311/312 (Hazard categories):

Not hazardous;

16. Other Information

HMIS III rating

Health: 1 Flammability: 1 Physical hazard: 0

NFPA and HMIS use a numbering scale ranging from 0 to 4 to indicate the degree of hazard. A value of zero means that the substance possesses essentially no hazard; a rating of four indicates extreme danger. Although similar, the two rating systems are intended for different purposes, and use different criteria. The NFPA system was developed to provide an on-the-spot alert to the hazards of a material, and their severity, to emergency responders. The HMIS system was designed to communicate workplace hazard information to employees who handle hazardous chemicals.

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