

## Section 1 - CHEMICAL, PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

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**Chemical Name:** Mixture**MSDS Origination Date:** 03-01-01**Synonyms:** None**Last Revision Date:** 03-29-10**Internal Product Codes:** 44,45,48**Product Use:** Erosion control for construction

## Section 2 - COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

| Components                    | CAS Number | % Weight |
|-------------------------------|------------|----------|
| Great Lakes Aspen             | N/A        | ≥83      |
| Jute Netting                  | N/A        | ≤16      |
| Rayon or Polypropylene Thread | N/A        | < 1      |

**Component Information/Information on Non-Hazardous Components:**

This product may be regulated, have exposure limits or other information identified as the following:  
Wood Dust, All Soft and Hard Woods.

## Section 3 - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

**Product Overview:**

Product is a mat of wood excelsior covered or encased with a Jute netting. Excelsior is a slender, curved wood shaving that may contain wood dust. *Under normal handling, storage, and application conditions overexposure to wood dust from this product is not anticipated.*

**Potential Health Effects:**

|            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
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| Eyes       | Exposure to dusts may cause mechanical eye irritation.                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Skin       | Handling of product may cause mechanical skin irritation. Repeated skin contact may cause an allergic skin sensitization reaction.                                                                                                                               |
| Ingestion  | Ingestion of this product is unlikely. If ingestion does occur, it may produce gastric irritation and discomfort.                                                                                                                                                |
| Inhalation | <i>Under normal use conditions, overexposure to wood dust is not anticipated.</i><br>Inhalation of wood dusts may cause irritation and dryness of the respiratory system. Repeated inhalation exposure may cause an allergic respiratory sensitization reaction. |

#### Section 4 - FIRST AID MEASURES

|                            |                                                                                                                               |
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| <b>Eyes:</b>               | In case of contact, flush eyes with water for 15 minutes. Obtain medical attention if irritation persists.                    |
| <b>Skin:</b>               | In case of contact, wash thoroughly with soap and large amounts of water. If irritation develops, get medical attention.      |
| <b>Ingestion:</b>          | Due to the physical nature of this material, ingestion is unlikely to occur. If ingestion does occur, seek medical attention. |
| <b>Inhalation:</b>         | If respiratory irritation or other symptoms develop, seek medical attention.                                                  |
| <b>Notes to Physician:</b> | None.                                                                                                                         |

#### Section 5 - FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

|                                     |                   |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Flash Point:</b>                 | N/A               |
| <b>Method Used:</b>                 | N/A               |
| <b>Upper Flammable Limit (UFL):</b> | N/A               |
| <b>Lower Flammable Limit (LFL):</b> | N/A               |
| <b>Auto Ignition:</b>               | N/A               |
| <b>Flammability Classification:</b> | N/A               |
| <b>Rate of Burning:</b>             | Moderate to rapid |

**General Fire Hazards:**  
Product will ignite upon exposure to ignition source.

**Hazardous Combustion Products:**  
Carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, aldehydes, and various hydrocarbon fragments.

**Extinguishing Media:**  
Water, dry chemical, or sand.

**Fire Fighting Equipment/Instructions:**  
Fire fighters should wear full-face, self contained breathing apparatus and impervious protective clothing. Fire fighters should avoid inhaling any combustion products.

**NFPA Ratings:** Health: 1, Fire: 1, Reactivity: 0, Other: 0

**HMIS Ratings:** Health: 1, Fire: 1, Reactivity: 0, Personal Protection: N/A

#### Section 6 - ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

|                                |                                            |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| <b>Containment Procedures:</b> | Contain by any means necessary.            |
| <b>Clean-Up Procedures:</b>    | Vacuum or sweep up material as necessary.  |
| <b>Evacuation Procedures:</b>  | Keep unnecessary people out of area.       |
| <b>Special Instructions:</b>   | Remove sources of ignition during cleanup. |

### Section 7 - HANDLING AND STORAGE

**Procedures for Handling:** Remove all sources of ignition when handling this product.

**Recommended Storage Methods:** Store in a cool, dry area away from moisture, excessive heat, and sources of ignition.

### Section 8 - EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

**Exposure Guidelines:**

- A. General Product Information  
Keep formation of dust to a minimum.
- B. Component Exposure Limits  
Wood Dust, All Soft and Hard Woods. OSHA PEL: 5 mg/m<sup>3</sup> ; OSHA STEL: 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

**Engineering Controls:**

Use as necessary to avoid contact with ignition sources.

**Personal Protective Equipment:**

- Eye/Face: Wear safety glasses, goggles, or other appropriate eye/face protection.
- Skin: Normal work clothing and gloves are recommended.
- Respiratory: When necessary, appropriate NIOSH/MSHA approved respiratory protection should be used.
- General: None.

### Section 9 - PHYSICAL & CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

|                                                                 |                            |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>Appearance:</b> Wood fiber covered or encased with Jute mesh | <b>Odor:</b> Mild          |
| <b>Physical State:</b> Solid                                    | <b>pH:</b> N/A             |
| <b>Vapor Pressure:</b> N/A                                      | <b>Vapor Density:</b> N/A  |
| <b>Boiling Point:</b> N/A                                       | <b>Freezing Point:</b> N/A |

### Section 10 - CHEMICAL STABILITY & REACTIVITY INFORMATION

|                                          |                                                                                |
|------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Chemical Stability:</b>               | Stable.                                                                        |
| <b>Conditions to Avoid:</b>              | Avoid excessive heat and ignition sources.                                     |
| <b>Incompatibility:</b>                  | Avoid contact with oxidizing agents and drying oils.                           |
| <b>Hazardous Decomposition Products:</b> | Carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, aldehydes, and various hydrocarbon fragments. |
| <b>Hazardous Polymerization:</b>         | Hazardous polymerization will not occur.                                       |

### Section 11 - TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Acute Toxicity/Target Organ Information:**

- A. General Product/Component Information  
Wood dusts are generally considered respiratory irritants and sensitizers. However, the ability of the dusts to cause sensitization reactions varies greatly with the species of wood. *Under normal use conditions, overexposure to wood dust from this product is not anticipated.*

**Epidemiology:** No data available for this product.

**Carcinogenicity:**

- A. General Product/Component Information  
There is some evidence that exposure to certain wood dusts may be associated with an increased risk of certain nasal cancers. However, that risk appears to vary greatly with the species of wood and the duration and extent of exposure. *Under normal use conditions, overexposure to wood dust from this product is not anticipated.*
- B. Component Carcinogenicity Listings  
Not listed by ACGIH, IARC, NIOSH, NTP, or OSHA as a carcinogen.

**Reproductive Toxicity:** No data available for this product.

**Neurotoxicity:** No data available for this product.

**Mutagenicity:** No data available for this product.

**Other Information:** No data available for this product.

### Section 12 - ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Ecotoxicity:** No data available for this product.

**Environmental Fate:** 99% of product is composed of natural and biodegradable components.

### Section 13 - DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

**US EPA Waste Number & Descriptions:**

- A. General Product Information  
As shipped, not regulated as a hazardous waste.
- B. Component Waste Numbers  
No EPA Waste Numbers are applicable for this product's components.

**Disposal Instructions:**

Dispose of waste material in accordance with all applicable Federal, State or provincial and local environmental regulations.

### Section 14 - TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

**DOT Information:**

|                |                                       |
|----------------|---------------------------------------|
| Shipping Name: | Not regulated as a hazardous material |
| Hazard Class:  | Not regulated                         |
| UN/NA #:       | Not regulated                         |
| Packing Group: | Not regulated                         |

**Label(s) Required:** None

**Additional Shipping Information:** None

**International Transportation Regulations:** Not regulated as dangerous goods

### Section 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION

**US Federal Regulations:**

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|----|-----------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| A. | General Product Information | N/A                                                                                                                                                      |
| B. | Component Information       | None of this product's components are listed under SARA Section 302 (40 CFR 355 Appendix A), SARA Section 313 (40 CFR 372.65), or CERCLA (40 CFR 302.4). |

**State Regulations:**

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|----|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| A. | General Product Information | N/A                                                                                             |
| B. | Component Information       | None of this product's components are listed on the state lists from CA, FL, MA, MN, NJ, or PA. |

**Other Regulations:**

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|----|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| A. | General Product Information | N/A                                                                                              |
| B. | Component Information       | None of the components are listed on the Canadian Controlled Product Ingredient Disclosure List. |

### Section 16 - OTHER INFORMATION

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**Key/Legend:**

|                   |                                                                     |
|-------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
| ACGIH             | American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists           |
| CERCLA            | Comprehensive Environment Response, Compensation, and Liability Act |
| CFR               | Code of Federal Regulations                                         |
| DOT               | Department of Transportation                                        |
| EPA               | Environmental Protection Agency                                     |
| HMIS              | Hazard Materials Information System                                 |
| IARC              | International Agency for Research Cancer                            |
| mg/m <sup>3</sup> | milligrams per cubic meter                                          |
| MSHA              | Mine Safety and Health Administration                               |
| N/A               | Not Applicable or Not Available                                     |
| NIOSH             | National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health                |
| NFPA              | National Fire Protection Association                                |
| NTP               | National Toxicology Program                                         |
| OSHA              | Occupational Safety and Health Administration                       |
| PEL               | Permissible Exposure Limit                                          |
| SARA              | Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act                        |
| STEL              | Short Term Exposure Limit                                           |

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