# **Gyproc ThermaLine SUPER** Safety Data Sheet

# **Health & Safety**

### 1. Identification of the substances / preparation and company

### 1.1 Product identifier: Gyproc ThermaLine SUPER

### 1.2 Relevant identified uses:

Gyproc thermal laminates are used as thermal or sound insulating internal linings in buildings.

## 1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet:

Supplier	British Gypsum
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This information reflects typical values and is not a product specification.

### 2. Hazards identification

THE MOST IMPORTANT HAZARDS ARE:

### 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture:

This product is <u>not</u> classified as dangerous according to CHIP.

Dust from mixing or sanding may irritate the respiratory system, skin and eyes.

## 3. Composition / information on ingredients

General composition: Calcium sulphate dihydrate encased in paper liners with a thermal laminate bonded to the back. Natural plasterboard constituents may include clay and minor amounts of quartz. Small quantities of chopped glass fibre, microsilica and vermiculite may be added, with starch, foam and dispersants.

Gyproc ThermaLine SUPER has a phenolic foam insulant laminate, backed on both sides with a multi-layer vapour control layer.

### 4. First aid measures

### 4.1 Description of first aid measures:

<u>Eye contact</u>	P305/- P313	In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.
<u>Skin contact</u>	P264 -	After contact with skin, wash immediately with plenty of soap and water.
<u>Ingestion</u>	P331 -	If swallowed, do not induce vomiting, seek medical advice immediately and show this document.
	P301/ - P330	If swallowed rinse mouth with water (only if the person is conscious).
Inhalation	P304/ - P340	In case of accident by inhalation, remove casualty to fresh air and keep at rest.

General

# Get medical attention if any symptoms persist.

### 5. Fire fighting measures

## 5.1 Extinguishing media:

Suitable extinguishing media – water, foam, carbon dioxide or dry powder.

### 5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture:

The product does not pose a fire hazard. However, some packaging materials may burn.

## 6. Accidental release measures

# 6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures:

Not applicable.

### 7. Handling and storage

### 7.1 Precautions for safe handling:

<u>Use</u> – Minimise dust generation when sawing or sanding in poorly ventilated places. Avoid eye contact - see Section 8 for recommended personal protective equipment, and Section 3 for hazards identification.

Plasterboards will not support body weight in between rafters, joints or frame members.

Fixers must work from an independent support system.

<u>Manual handling</u> – Sheets of plasterboard can be unwieldy, use an appropriate lifting technique. The weight of each sheet can vary between products. For manual handling purposes assume the following:

## Gyproc ThermaLine SUPER weights

Board thickness mm	Board width mm	Board length mm	Board weight kg	Pallet weight tonnes
50	1200	2400	25.0	0.45
60	1200	2400	26.7	0.37
70	1200	2400	27.8	0.36
80	1200	2400	29.3	0.31
90	1200	2400	30.7	0.32

**NB** All weights are approximate.

<u>Mechanical handling</u> – The dimensions of the pallet vary depending on the product size. To avoid potentially overloading a lift truck, it is important that any effect on load centres is considered. The nominal weight of each palletised load is given within the weights table in this section of this document.

# 7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities:

<u>Storage</u> – Store on pallets supplied in dry conditions. To maintain stability, place pallets on firm level ground, and ensure that stacks are both level and vertical.

**NB** When working with individual boards, only work from a single pallet, not a stack.



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<u>Pallet stacking heights</u> – The maximum stack heights on level concrete floors and vertical stacks are as follows:

Board width mm		Pallet stack height packs
1200	2400	6

### 8. Exposure control / personal protection

## 8.1 Control parameters:

### Workplace exposure limit

Substance	Total inhalable	Respirable
Plaster	10mg/m³ 8hr TWA	4mg/m³ 8hr TWA
Quartz (silica)	-	0.1mg/m³ 8hr TWA
Man Made Mineral Fibres (MMMF)	5mg/m³ 8hr TWA (gravimetric method)	-

# 8.2 Exposure controls:

### **Personal protection**

<u>Respiratory</u>	P284 - Use only in well-ventilated areas. Wear eye / face protection. Face masks to <i>EN 149 FFP2</i> .
<u>Skin</u>	P303 - Wear suitable protective clothing.
Eye	<ul><li>P305/ - Wear eye / face protection.</li><li>P313 Eye protection to <i>BS EN 166</i>.</li></ul>

### 9. Physical and chemical properties

### 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties:

<u>Appearance</u> Flat sheet boards in different widths and thicknesses, with a square or tapered edge.

#### **10. Stability and reactivity**

### 10.1 Reactivity:

No special physical conditions need to be avoided. No specific restrictions regarding incompatible materials.

### **11.** Toxicology information

### **11.1** Information on toxicological effects:

No known toxicological effects.

### **12. Ecological information**

Stable product with no known adverse environmental effects.

### **13. Disposal consideration**

#### 13.1 Waste treatment methods:

Gypsum, the main raw material for plasterboard, is a sulphate but is classified as non-hazardous. Waste from gypsum plasterboard products is fully recyclable. For more information contact the British Gypsum Plasterboard Recycling Service Team on 0800 6335040 or visit the British Gypsum website at british-gypsum.com

### **14. Transport information**

Not classified as hazardous for transportation.

### **15. Regulatory information**

Not classified under the CHIP regulations.

### **16. Other information**

Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations The Manual Handling Operations Regulations HSE Guidance Note EH40: Workplace Exposure Limits Gypsum Wastes – Environment Agency Information Sheet The British Gypsum **White Book** The British Gypsum **Site Book** The British Gypsum website: british-gypsum.com

# *Note to user:* This Safety Data Sheet does not constitute a workplace risk assessment for COSHH.

There are a number of situations where the approach to manual handling of British Gypsum products should be considered. For further guidance, please refer to the Manual Handling Section of the **Site Book** or the Manual Handling Guide, available to download from british-gypsum.com.

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