

# CHOPPED STRAND MAT SAFETY DATA SHEET

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# SECTION 1: Identification of the Substance/Mixture and of the Company/Undertaking

#### 1.1 Product identifier

Product name: Stronghold Continuous Filament Glass Fibre (CFGF) 901

Chemical name: Fibre Glass

Product form: Substance (Technically an article)

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

Relevant identified uses: Reinforcement for Glass Reinforced Plastic GRP Roofing.

Contact the manufacturer for any other application.

#### 1.3 Details of the Supplier of the safety data sheet

Manufacturer/Supplier: The Glass Fibre Roofing Company Ltd.

Unit 33 Pontygwindy Industrial Estate, Caerphilly CF83 3HU Address:

Telephone number: 02920 888020

F-mail: sales@strongholdgrp.co.uk

This document is available online at http://www.strongholdgrp.co.uk

#### 1.4 Emergency telephone numbers

UK Telephone number: 02920 888020 (Office hours only)

UK Urgent medical problem: 111 (NHS Direct)

999 UK Life-threatening emergency:

#### **SECTION 2: Hazards Identification**

# 2.1 Classification according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 (CLP)

Continuous Filament Glass Fibre (CFGF) Products are not classified as a dangerous substance in accordance with regulations. They are not subject to notification under chemical regulations such as REACH, are not subject to classification and labelling according to GHS and do not technically require a Safety Data Sheet (SDS). An SDS is provided to ensure safe use and handling and use of CFGF products.

This substance does not have a workplace exposure limit.

This substance is not identified as a PBT substance.

#### **Health Hazards**

Irritating to skin: Category 3 Eye irritation: Category 2B Category 5 Acute toxicity:

#### 2.2 Label elements

# Labelling according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 [CLP]

Hazard pictograms:



Signal word: Warning

#### **Hazard statements:**

| May be harmful if swallowed. | H303 |
|------------------------------|------|
| Causes mild skin irritation. | H316 |
| Causes eye irritation.       | H320 |
| May be harmful if inhaled.   | H333 |

# **Precautionary statements - Prevention:**

Wash contaminated skin thoroughly after handling. P264 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection. P280

Other hazards: No information available.

# **SECTION 3: Composition/Information on Ingredients**

#### 3.1 Substances

| Product name                | Glass %      | Size %      | Binder % | Water %  |
|-----------------------------|--------------|-------------|----------|----------|
| Woven roving                | 98.8 – 99.85 | 0.15 – 1.00 | Nil      | 0 – 0.20 |
| Emulsion chopped strand mat | 93.5 - 96.65 | 0.35 – 1.35 |          | 0 – 0.20 |

# Fibre glass: CAS No 65997-17-3

Size: Size is a mixture of chemicals applied to the glass strands. Most of this mixture is made up of basically non-reactive high molecular weight polymers, often natural ingredients (starches) with no reactive sites, which are not listed as substances in the EINECS nor in the ELINCS appendices.

Sometimes size also contains substances of organosilane family or other substances. The manufacturer considers this risk as negligible as, even though listed as dangerous products, the concentration is extremely low (under 0.1% of total weight) and they are polymerised during the production of glass fibres production.

# **SECTION 4: First Aid Measures**

# 4.1 Description of first aid measures

| Eye Contact:  | Immediately flush eyes with clean water for at least 15 minutes. If irritation persists, get medical help.  |
|---------------|---|
| Skin contact: | If irritation occurs to the skin, rinse with soap and water. Make sure to refrain from rinsing with warm water since warm water will make the skin pores open to allow fibreglass to penetrate more deeply. If fibreglass penetrates the skin, use a wash cloth to help pull out the fibreglass. To avoid further irritation, do not rub or scratch affected skin. If irritation persists, get medical help. Make sure to refrain from using compressed air to remove fibreglass from the skin. |
| Inhalation:   | If inhaled, immediately remove the affected person to fresh air. If irritation persists, get medical help.  |
| Ingestion:    | Normally, ingestion of this material is unlikely. If it does occur, watch the person for several days to make sure that gastrointestinal disturbance does not occur. Do not let the person vomit unless required by medical personnel. If disturbance persists, get   |

medical help.

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

Inhalation: Ingestion of the material is unlikely. However, ingestion of the material may cause

gastrointestinal disturbance.

Ingestion: Breathing fibreglass dusts and particulates may cause irritation of the nose, throat

and respiratory tract.

Skin contact: Fibreglass dusts and particulates may cause temporary irritation.

Eye Contact: Fibreglass dusts and particulates may cause temporary irritation to the eyes.

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

No information available. Notes to physician:

# **SECTION 5: Firefighting Measures**

# 5.1 Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media: Non-flammable. But the size and packing material may burn.

Use dry chemical, foam, carbon dioxide and water as extinguishing media.

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

Hazardous combustion products: Primary combustion products are carbon monoxide, hydrogen, carbon dioxide

and water. Other undetermined compounds can be released in small quantities.

5.3 Advice for firefighters

Protective equipment for firefighters: Fire fighters must use self-contained breathing apparatus and wear full

protective gear.

# **SECTION 6: Accidental Release Measures**

# 6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Remove all sources of ignition, heat, flames and sparks. For non-emergency personnel:

Take precautionary measures against static charges.

Ensure adequate ventilation.

Use personal protective equipment.

For emergency responders: Avoid breathing vapours or mists. In the event of fire and/or explosion

DO NOT breathe fumes. Use personal protective equipment.

# 6.2 Environmental precautions

The product should not be allowed to enter drains, water courses or the soil. Environmental precautions:

DO NOT flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system.

# 6.3 Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Methods for cleaning up: In case of release to land, the material should be scooped up as waste and put into

a special container and stored in a designated area.

In case of release of water, the material will sink and disperse along the bottom of waterways or ponds and cannot be easily removed after it is waterborne. However,

the material is non-hazardous in water.

# **SECTION 7: Handling and Storage**

#### 7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Precautions for safe handling: Try to prevent the packing material from be damaged and keep the product inside

the packing material to minimize the generation of dusts.

Maintain a clean work environment and avoid generation of fibreglass fragments

from improper handling.

# 7.2 Conditions for safe storage, 3 including any incompatibilities

Storage conditions: Keep product in its packaging until use to minimize potential dust generation.

#### 7.3 Specific end use(s)

The identified uses for this product are detailed in Section 1.2.

# **SECTION 8: Exposure Controls / Personal Protection**

#### 8.1 Control parameters

#### National and international hygiene standards are as follows:

| Component               | Permissible Exposure Limit of OSHA (8-hr Average Weight) | Permissible Exposure Limit of ACGIH (8 hr Average Weight) |
|-------------------------|--|---|
| Total Dust              | 15 mg/m3   | 10 mg/m3  |
| Respirable particulates | 5 mg/m3  | 3 mg/m3   |
| Respirable Fibre        | Not available  | 1 fibre/ml  |

# 8.2 Exposure controls

#### Occupational exposure limits

Production areas are closed off and a required relative humidity is maintained. Engineering measures:

# Personal protective equipment

General Information: Use personal protective equipment.

Respiratory protection: Wear a suitable mask when working in an environment where dust

concentration is high.

Eye protection: Wear safety glasses and face shield.

Normal loose working clothing (long-sleeved shirts and long pants) is Skin and body protection:

recommended. Skin irritation occurs primarily at the contact areas such as around

the neck and waist.

Hand protection: Wear gloves. Skin irritation occurs primarily at the contact areas such as wrists and

between the fingers.

#### **Environmental exposure controls**

Environmental exposure controls: DO NOT allow material to contaminate ground water system.

# **SECTION 9: Physical and Chemical Properties**

# 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

| Property                     | Values            | Remark            |
|------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Appearance                   | White / off white |                   |
| Physical state               | Solid             |                   |
| Particle size                | No data available | No data available |
| Odour                        | No odour          |                   |
| Odour threshold              | No data available | No data available |
| рН                           | No data available | No data available |
| Melting point/range          | No data available | No data available |
| Freezing point               | No data available | No data available |
| Boiling point                | No data available | No data available |
| Flash point                  | No data available | No data available |
| Evaporation rate             | No data available | No data available |
| Flammability limits in air   |                   |                   |
| Upper                        | >800°C            |                   |
| Lower                        | No data available | No data available |
| Vapour pressure              | No data available | No data available |
| Vapour density               | No data available | No data available |
| Density                      | No data available | No data available |
| Water solubility             | No data available | No data available |
| Partition coefficient        | No data available | No data available |
| n-octanol/water              | No data available | No data available |
| Solubility in other solvents | No data available | No data available |
| Auto ignition temperature    | No data available | No data available |
| Decomposition temperature    | No data available | No data available |
| Viscosity, kinematic         | No data available | No data available |
| Viscosity, dynamic           | No data available | No data available |
| Explosive properties         | No data available | No data available |
| Oxidizing properties         | No data available | No data available |

# **SECTION 10: Stability and Reactivity**

#### 10.1 Reactivity

This is a non-reactive material.

# 10.2 Chemical stability

This is a stable material.

# 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

None.

#### 10.4 Conditions to avoid

None.

#### 10.5 Incompatible materials

None.

#### 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

Hazardous polymerisation will not occur.

#### **SECTION 11: Toxicological Information**

# 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity: None.

Irritability: Fibreglass dusts may cause irritation to skin and eye. Ingestion of fibreglass may

> cause irritation to the throat, stomach and gastrointestinal tract. Inhalation may cause coughing, sneezing and nose and throat irritation. Experience indicates that inhalation of a large amount of fibreglass may cause difficulty in breathing,

congestion and chest tightness.

Carcinogenicity: The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC), agency of the World

> Health Organization (WHO), has determined that fibreglass is a non-carcinogenic material because the evidence is inadequate to prove that fibreglass can cause

humans and experimental animals to develop cancer.

# **SECTION 12: Ecological Information**

#### 12.1 Toxicity

No data available for this product. Fibreglass products are not listed as a material harmful to animals, plants and fish.

The product contains a substance or substances that will contribute to global warming (greenhouse effect). Not expected to have ozone depletion potential.

#### **SECTION 13: Disposal Considerations**

#### 13.1 Waste treatment methods

RCRA Hazard Class: Non-hazardous.

Disposal Instructions: Dispose waste material according to local environmental regulations.

# **SECTION 14: Transport Information**

#### **Transport instructions:**

Rolling and moisture should be avoided in transit.

14.1 UN Number

None.

14.2 UN proper shipping name

None.

14.3 Transport hazard class

None.

14.4 Packing group

None.

14.5 Environmental hazards

None.

# **SECTION 15: Regulatory Information**

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

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# **SECTION 16: Other Information**

None.

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