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Material Safety Datasheet

Aluminium Gutters & Downpipes

1. Identification of the substrate/preparation and of the company/undertaking

1.1 Identification/Trade name: Aluminium Gutters & Downpipes

1.2 Manufacturer/Supplier:

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2. Hazards identification

The major hazards identified for these products are physical and include cuts, abrasions, manual handling and sparks generated from cutting processes.

There is a minor dust and fume hazard produced during cutting of aluminium products, which could cause respiratory problems. There are set Occupational Exposure Standards for aluminium dust and fumes.

3. Composition and information about the Components

Cast and moulded aluminium products

4. First-aid measures

| Exposure Route | Symptom | Treatment | |
|----------------|---------------------------------|--|--|
| Inhalation | Irritation of respiratory tract | Remove from exposure and into fresh air. If discomfort persists seek medical advice. | |
| Eye contact | Smarting | Wash out with plenty of clean water. If irritation persists seek medical attention | |

5. Fire-fighting measures

This metal in these products does not constitute a fire hazard. Use extinguishing media appropriate to the surrounding fire conditions.

6. Accidental release measures

Damaged product can be taken up and disposed of to landfill as inert waste if necessary however recycling is the preferred method of disposal. The products are not classified as hazardous under COSHH Regulations.



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7. Handling and storage

When handling product, due regard should be paid to the risks outlined in the Manual Handling Operations Regulations 1992, appropriate PPE should be used (see section 7). When cutting the product with a saw or angle grinder, appropriate measures to control dust should be used (see section 7). The product should be stored in a safe and stable manner.

8. Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1 Occupational Exposure Standard (OES)

| Aluminium metal | Total inhalable dust | Respirable dust |
|--|----------------------|---------------------|
| Long-term exposure limit (8-hour TWA reference period) | 10 mgm ⁻³ | 4 mgm ⁻³ |

8.2 Personal protective equipment:

Wear suitable protective clothing e.g. overalls, gloves and safety boots to reduce the chances of physical injury while using this product.

Local Exhaust Ventilation, goggles and a dust mask to the relevant European standard (EN149) may be required if a cutting method that liberates dust is used.

9. Physical and chemical properties

| Appearance | Shaped metal product |
|---------------------------|---|
| Colour | Silvery grey (may be polyester powder coated) |
| Odour | None |
| pH | N/A |
| Boiling Point | N/A |
| Melting Point | N/A |
| Flash Point | N/A |
| Flammability | N/A |
| Auto Ignition Temperature | N/A |
| Explosive Properties | Not explosive |

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10. Stability and reactivity

Aluminium forms an oxide barrier on air contact which prevents further tarnishing.

11. Toxicological information

These products are not classified as toxic.

12. Ecological information

Stable product with no known adverse environmental effects

13. Disposal considerations

Dispose of this product at any approved solid waste disposal site.

Disposal of the product should be in accordance with any local or national regulations although recycling is preferred.

14. Transport information

Classification for conveyance: - None required.

15. Regulatory information

Chemicals (Hazard Information and Packaging for Supply) Regulations 1994. Control of Substances Hazardous to Health 2002 (amended).

16. Other information

No other information.

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