



SAFETY DATA SHEET

1. Identification

Product identifier SHEETROCK® Brand All Purpose Joint Compound, Ready-Mixed

Other means of identification

SDS number 61000010001

Synonyms Joint Compound (Ready-Mixed) , Taping Compound, Mud, Finishing Compound

Recommended use Interior use.

Recommended restrictions Use in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations.

Manufacturer/Importer/Supplier/Distributor information

Company name United States Gypsum Company

Address 550 West Adams Street
Chicago, Illinois 60661-3637

Telephone 1-800-874-4968

Website www.usg.com

Emergency phone number 1-800-507-8899

2. Hazard(s) identification

Physical hazards Not classified.

Health hazards Not classified.

OSHA defined hazards Not classified.

Label elements

Hazard symbol None.

Signal word None.

Hazard statement None.

Precautionary statement

Prevention Observe good industrial hygiene practices. Contaminated work clothing must not be allowed out of the workplace. Wear protective gloves.

Response Get medical attention/advice if you feel unwell. Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.

Storage Store as indicated in Section 7.

Disposal Dispose of in accordance with local, state, and federal regulations.

Hazard(s) not otherwise classified (HNOC) None known.

Supplemental information None.

3. Composition/information on ingredients

Mixtures

Chemical name	CAS number	%
Limestone	1317-65-3	> 65
Talc	14807-96-6	< 3
Attapulgite	12174-11-7	< 5
Mica	12001-26-2	< 5
Perlite	93763-70-3	< 5
Quartz (sand)	14808-60-7	< 5
Kaolin	1332-58-7	< 2

Composition comments All concentrations are in percent by weight.

Raw materials in this product contain respirable crystalline silica as an impurity. The weight percent of respirable crystalline silica found in this product is < 0.7%. Testing of this product and its constituents suggests that under normal conditions the expected use of this product will not result in exposure to respirable crystalline silica that exceeds the OSHA PEL. However, actual exposures to respirable crystalline silica on a given jobsite must be determined by workplace hygiene testing.

4. First-aid measures

Inhalation Dust irritates the respiratory system, and may cause coughing and difficulties in breathing. Move injured person into fresh air and keep person calm under observation. Get medical attention if symptoms persist.

Skin contact Contact with dust: Rinse area with plenty of water. Get medical attention if irritation develops or persists.

Eye contact Dust in the eyes: Do not rub eyes. Flush thoroughly with water. If irritation occurs, get medical assistance.

Ingestion Rinse mouth. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.

Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed Dust may irritate eyes and mucous membranes of the nose, throat and upper respiratory system causing sneezing and/or coughing. May cause allergic skin disorders in sensitive individuals.

Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed Provide general supportive measures and treat symptomatically.

General information Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved.

5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable extinguishing media Use fire-extinguishing media appropriate for surrounding materials.

Unsuitable extinguishing media Not applicable.

Specific hazards arising from the chemical Not a fire hazard.

Special protective equipment and precautions for firefighters Selection of respiratory protection for firefighting: follow the general fire precautions indicated in the workplace. Self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective clothing must be worn in case of fire.

Fire fighting equipment/instructions Use standard firefighting procedures and consider the hazards of other involved materials.

Specific methods Cool material exposed to heat with water spray and remove it if no risk is involved.

General fire hazards No unusual fire or explosion hazards noted.

6. Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures See Section 8 of the SDS for Personal Protective Equipment.

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up Large Spills: Scoop spilled materials and recover as much of the product as possible for use. If spillage is unrecoverable dispose according to local, state, and federal regulations.

Small Spills: Wipe up with absorbent material (e.g. cloth, fleece). Clean surface thoroughly to remove residual contamination.

Environmental precautions Avoid discharge to drains, sewers, and other water systems.

7. Handling and storage

Precautions for safe handling Avoid inhalation of dust and contact with skin and eyes. Minimize dust generation and accumulation. In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment. Observe good industrial hygiene practices. Use proper lifting techniques.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated place. Store in a closed container away from incompatible materials. Protect from moisture. Keep away from heat. Do not use if material has spoiled, i.e., there is a moldy appearance or an unpleasant odor. Keep containers closed when not in use.

Filled 4.5 gallon pails of joint compound may be stacked a maximum of 3 layers high on a standard 48 x 48 pallet (16 pails per layer, 3 layers high). Pallets may only be stacked a maximum of two high.

Filled cartons of joint compound may be stacked a maximum of 3 layers high on a standard 42 x 42 or 42 x 48 pallet (16 pails per layer, 3 layers high). Pallets may only be stacked a maximum of two high.

8. Exposure controls/personal protection**Occupational exposure limits****US. OSHA Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants (29 CFR 1910.1000)**

Components	Type	Value	Form
Kaolin (CAS 1332-58-7)	PEL	5 mg/m ³	Respirable fraction.
		15 mg/m ³	Total dust.
Limestone (CAS 1317-65-3)	PEL	5 mg/m ³	Respirable fraction.
		15 mg/m ³	Total dust.

US. OSHA Table Z-3 (29 CFR 1910.1000)

Components	Type	Value	Form
Kaolin (CAS 1332-58-7)	TWA	5 mg/m ³	Respirable fraction.
		15 mg/m ³	Total dust.
		50 mppcf	Total dust.
		15 mppcf	Respirable fraction.
Mica (CAS 12001-26-2)	TWA	20 mppcf	
Perlite (CAS 93763-70-3)	TWA	5 mg/m ³	Respirable fraction.
		15 mg/m ³	Total dust.
		50 mppcf	Total dust.
		15 mppcf	Respirable fraction.
Talc (CAS 14807-96-6)	TWA	0.1 mg/m ³	Respirable.
		20 mppcf	
		2.4 mppcf	Respirable.

US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values

Components	Type	Value	Form
Kaolin (CAS 1332-58-7)	TWA	2 mg/m ³	Respirable fraction.
Mica (CAS 12001-26-2)	TWA	3 mg/m ³	Respirable fraction.
Talc (CAS 14807-96-6)	TWA	2 mg/m ³	Respirable fraction.

US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards

Components	Type	Value	Form
Kaolin (CAS 1332-58-7)	TWA	5 mg/m ³	Respirable.
		10 mg/m ³	Total
Limestone (CAS 1317-65-3)	TWA	5 mg/m ³	Respirable.
		10 mg/m ³	Total
Mica (CAS 12001-26-2)	TWA	3 mg/m ³	Respirable.
Perlite (CAS 93763-70-3)	TWA	5 mg/m ³	Respirable.
		10 mg/m ³	Total
Talc (CAS 14807-96-6)	TWA	2 mg/m ³	Respirable.

Biological limit values

No biological exposure limits noted for the ingredient(s).

Appropriate engineering controls

Provide sufficient ventilation for operations causing dust formation. Observe occupational exposure limits and minimize the risk of exposure.

Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

Eye/face protection	Wear approved safety goggles.
Skin protection	
Hand protection	It is a good industrial hygiene practice to minimize skin contact. For prolonged or repeated skin contact use suitable protective gloves.
Skin protection	
Other	Normal work clothing (long sleeved shirts and long pants) is recommended.
Respiratory protection	If engineering controls do not maintain airborne concentrations below recommended exposure limits (where applicable) or to an acceptable level (in countries where exposure limits have not been established), an approved respirator must be worn. Use a NIOSH/MSHA approved air purifying respirator as needed to control exposure. Consult with respirator manufacturer to determine respirator selection, use, and limitations. Use positive pressure, air-supplied respirator for uncontrolled releases or when air purifying respirator limitations may be exceeded. Follow respirator protection program requirements (OSHA 1910.134 and ANSI Z88.2) for all respirator use.
Thermal hazards	None.
General hygiene considerations	Always observe good personal hygiene measures, such as washing after handling the material and before eating, drinking, and/or smoking. Routinely wash work clothing and protective equipment separately from regular wash. Observe any medical surveillance requirements.

9. Physical and chemical properties

Appearance

Physical state	Semi-solid.
Form	Paste.
Color	Off-white.
Odor	Low to no odor.
Odor threshold	Not applicable.
pH	7.5 - 9.9
Melting point/freezing point	Not applicable.
Initial boiling point and boiling range	212 °F (100 °C)
Flash point	Not applicable.
Evaporation rate	Not applicable.
Flammability (solid, gas)	Not applicable.

Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits

Flammability limit - lower (%)	Not applicable.
Flammability limit - upper (%)	Not applicable.
Explosive limit - lower (%)	Not applicable.
Explosive limit - upper (%)	Not applicable.
Vapor pressure	Not applicable.
Vapor density	Not applicable.
Relative density	1.4 - 1.8 (H ₂ O=1)
Solubility(ies)	
Solubility (water)	Soluble in water.
Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water)	Not applicable.
Auto-ignition temperature	Not applicable.
Decomposition temperature	Not applicable.
Viscosity	Not applicable.

Other information

Bulk density	12 - 15 lb/gal
VOC	2 g/l (Calculated by EPA Method 24)

10. Stability and reactivity

Reactivity	The product is stable and non-reactive under normal conditions of use, storage and transport.
Chemical stability	Material is stable under normal conditions.
Possibility of hazardous reactions	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
Conditions to avoid	None known.
Incompatible materials	None known.
Hazardous decomposition products	Above 1472°F (800°C) limestone (CaCO ₃) can decompose to lime (CaO) and release carbon dioxide (CO ₂).

11. Toxicological information

Information on likely routes of exposure

Inhalation	Airborne dust may irritate throat and upper respiratory system causing coughing.
Skin contact	May cause allergic skin reactions especially in individuals with pre-existing skin disease such as eczema. (See Section 16).
Eye contact	Airborne dust may cause mechanical eye irritation.
Ingestion	May cause discomfort if swallowed.

Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics Dust may irritate eyes and mucous membranes of the nose, throat and upper respiratory system causing sneezing and/or coughing.

Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity Not expected to be a hazard under normal conditions of intended use.

Components	Species	Test Results
Kaolin (CAS 1332-58-7)		
Acute		
Dermal		
LD50	Rat	> 5000 mg/kg
Inhalation		
LC50	Rat	> 2 mg/l, 4 Hours
Oral		
LD50	Rat	> 5000 mg/kg

Skin corrosion/irritation Prolonged or repeated skin contact may cause drying, cracking, or irritation.

Serious eye damage/eye irritation Direct contact with eyes may cause temporary irritation.

Respiratory or skin sensitization

Respiratory sensitization	Not a respiratory sensitizer.
Skin sensitization	The product contains a small amount of sensitizing substance which may provoke an allergic reaction among sensitive individuals after repeated contact. For detailed information, see section 16.

Germ cell mutagenicity Data does not suggest that this product or any components present at greater than 0.1% are mutagenic or genotoxic.

Carcinogenicity This product is not expected to increase the risk of cancer.

IARC Monographs. Overall Evaluation of Carcinogenicity

Attapulgite (CAS 12174-11-7)	2B Possibly carcinogenic to humans. 3 Not classifiable as to carcinogenicity to humans.
Talc (CAS 14807-96-6)	3 Not classifiable as to carcinogenicity to humans.

NTP Report on Carcinogens

Not listed.

OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1053)

Not regulated.

Reproductive toxicity Not expected to be a reproductive hazard.

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure No data available, but none expected.

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure Not classified.
Aspiration hazard Not an aspiration hazard.
Chronic effects Prolonged exposure may cause chronic effects. For detailed information, see section 16.

12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity The product is not classified as environmentally hazardous. However, this does not exclude the possibility that large or frequent spills can have a harmful or damaging effect on the environment.

Components	Species	Test Results
Kaolin (CAS 1332-58-7)		
Aquatic		
<i>Acute</i>		
Crustacea	LC50 Daphnia magna	> 1.1 g/l, 48 Hours

Persistence and degradability No data available.
Bioaccumulative potential Bioaccumulation is not expected.
Mobility in soil No data available.
Other adverse effects None expected.

13. Disposal considerations

Disposal instructions Dispose in accordance with applicable federal, state, and local regulations. Recycle responsibly.
Local disposal regulations Dispose of in accordance with local regulations.
Hazardous waste code Not regulated.
Waste from residues / unused products Dispose of in accordance with local regulations.
Contaminated packaging Dispose of in accordance with local regulations.

14. Transport information

DOT
Not regulated as dangerous goods.
IATA
Not regulated as dangerous goods.
IMDG
Not regulated as dangerous goods.
Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code Not applicable.

15. Regulatory information

US federal regulations This product is not known to be a "Hazardous Chemical" as defined by the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard, 29 CFR 1910.1200.
TSCA Section 12(b) Export Notification (40 CFR 707, Subpt. D)
Not regulated.
CERCLA Hazardous Substance List (40 CFR 302.4)
Not listed.
SARA 304 Emergency release notification
Not regulated.
OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1053)
Not regulated.
Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA)
SARA 302 Extremely hazardous substance
Not listed.
SARA 311/312 Hazardous chemical No
SARA 313 (TRI reporting)
Not regulated.

Other federal regulations

Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112 Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs) List

Not regulated.

Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112(r) Accidental Release Prevention (40 CFR 68.130)

Not regulated.

Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) Not regulated.

US state regulations

US. Massachusetts RTK - Substance List

Kaolin (CAS 1332-58-7)

Limestone (CAS 1317-65-3)

Mica (CAS 12001-26-2)

Perlite (CAS 93763-70-3)

Talc (CAS 14807-96-6)

US. New Jersey Worker and Community Right-to-Know Act

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US. Pennsylvania Worker and Community Right-to-Know Law

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US. Rhode Island RTK

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Limestone (CAS 1317-65-3)

Mica (CAS 12001-26-2)

Talc (CAS 14807-96-6)

California Proposition 65



WARNING: This product can expose you to chemicals including Attapulgite, which is known to the State of California to cause cancer. For more information go to www.P65Warnings.ca.gov.

California Proposition 65 - CRT: Listed date/Carcinogenic substance

Attapulgite (CAS 12174-11-7)

Listed: December 28, 1999

US. California. Candidate Chemicals List. Safer Consumer Products Regulations (Cal. Code Regs, tit. 22, 69502.3, subd. (a))

Attapulgite (CAS 12174-11-7)

Talc (CAS 14807-96-6)

16. Other information, including date of preparation or last revision

Issue date	07-August-2014
Revision date	13-September-2018
Version #	02

Further information

Crystalline silica: Raw materials in this product may contain respirable crystalline silica as an impurity. Exposures to respirable crystalline silica are not expected during the normal use of this product. However, actual levels must be determined by workplace hygiene testing. Prolonged and repeated exposure to airborne free respirable crystalline silica can result in lung disease (i.e., silicosis) and/or lung cancer.

Attapulgite: Carcinogenic to experimental animals via a route of exposure not relevant to human exposure per ACGIH.

Skin Sensitization Potential: This product contains an amount of Triazinetriethanol (THT) (CAS No. 4719-04-4) that is within the approved EPA regulated limits. THT can act as a sensitizer. Numerous human studies with concentrations up to 1% yielded negative (no sensitization) results. However, some results showed positive reactions in concentrations <0.5% mostly in persons with eczema.

Bucket NFPA Classification:

Health: 0

Flammability: 1

Physical hazard: 0

NFPA Ratings:

Health: 1

Flammability: 0

Physical hazard: 0

Hazard Scale: 0 = Minimal 1 = Slight 2 = Moderate 3 = Serious 4 = Severe

NFPA ratings



List of abbreviations

NFPA: National Fire Protection Association.

References

Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS)

HSDB® - Hazardous Substances Data Bank

Torben et al. (2001). Environmental and Health Assessment of Substances in Household Detergents and Cosmetic Products.

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