

# FIBERFRAX Z PRODUCTS

According to (EC) No 1907/2006 (REACH)

## 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE PRODUCTS AND OF THE COMPANY

### 1.1 Identification of the products

#### Trade Names: Fiberfrax Z

Fiberfrax Z products contain **Refractory Ceramic Fibres (RCF)/Alumino-silicate wools (ASW) ((RCF/ASW))**.

Index Number : 650-017-00-8 (CLP Annex VI)  
EC Number : 604-314-4  
**CAS number** : 142844-00-6  
**Chemical name** : Aluminosilicate refractory ceramic fibres  
Registration number : 01-2119458050-50-0001  
Product code : 500

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

#### 1.2.1 Relevant identified uses

Industrial/Professional use spec: For professional use only

Use of the substance/mixture : For industrial use within high temperature applications.

#### 1.2.2 Uses advised against

No additional information available

### 1.3 Identification of the company

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## 2. HAZARD IDENTIFICATION

### 2.1 Classification of the substance/mixture

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

Under the CLP-Regulation (classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures)

Carcinogenicity (inhalation) Category 1B H350i

Full text of hazard classes and H-statements : see section 16

#### Adverse physicochemical, human health and environmental effect:

No additional information available

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### 2.2 Labelling elements

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

Hazard pictograms (CLP)



Signal word (CLP)	: Danger
Hazard statements (CLP)	: H350i - May cause cancer by inhalation.
Precautionary statements (CLP)	: P201 - Obtain special instructions before use. P280 - Wear eye protection, protective gloves, Respiratory protection. P308+P313 - IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice, medical attention.
Extra phrases	: For professional users only.
Listed in Annex VI	: EC Index-No. : 650-017-00-8

### 2.2 Other hazards

Other hazards not contributing to the classification: May cause mechanical irritation to the skin, eyes and respiratory system. This substance/mixture does not meet the PBT criteria of REACH regulation, annex XIII

This substance/mixture does not meet the vPvB criteria of REACH regulation, annex XIII

## 3. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

### 3.1 Substance

COMPONENT	CAS NUMBER	Classification according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 (CLP)	% by weight
Aluminosilicate refractory ceramic fibres substance listed as REACH Candidate (Note A)(Note R)	CAS No: 142 844-00-6 EC No: 604-214-4 EC index No: 650-017-00-8 REACH No: 1-2119458050-0001	Carc. 1B H350i	100

Note A:

Without prejudice to Article 17(2), the name of the substance must appear on the label in the form of one of the designations given in Part 3. In Part 3, use is sometimes made of a general description such as '... compounds' or '... salts'. In this case, the supplier is required to state on the label the correct name, due account being taken of section 1.1.1.4.

Note R : The classification as a carcinogen need not apply to fibres with a length-weighted geometric mean diameter less two standard geometric errors greater than 6 µm.

Full text of H-statements: see section 16

### 3.2. Mixtures

Not applicable

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### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

#### 4.1 Description of first aid measures

##### Skin

In case of skin irritation rinse affected areas with water and wash gently. Do not rub or scratch exposed skin.

##### Eyes

In case of eye contact flush abundantly with water; have eye bath available. Do not rub eyes.

##### Nose and throat

If these become irritated move to a dust free area, drink water and blow nose.

If symptoms persist, seek medical advice.

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

Symptoms/injuries after skin contact : mechanical irritation

Symptoms/injuries after eye contact : mechanical irritation

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

Treat symptomatically

### 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

#### 5.1 Extinguishing media

Product is not flammable. Packaging and surrounding materials may be combustible.

Use extinguishing agent suitable for surrounding combustible materials. Foam, dry powder, Carbon dioxide, water spray. Do not use a heavy water stream.

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

No additional information available

#### 5.3 Advice for firefighters

Firefighting instructions : Prevent firefighting water from entering the environment

Protection during firefighting : Do not enter fire area without proper protective equipment, Including respiratory protection

### 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

#### 6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

##### 6.1.1. For non-emergency personnel

Protective equipment : Concerning personal protective equipment to use, see section 8.

Emergency procedures : Prohibit unauthorized persons.

##### 6.1.2. For emergency responders

Protective equipment : Ensure adequate ventilation. Concerning personal protective equipment to use, see section 8.

Emergency procedures : Manipulations are to be done only by qualified and authorised persons.

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### 6.2. Environmental precautions

Prevent entry to sewers and public waters. Notify authorities if product enters sewers or public waters.

### 6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Methods for cleaning up : Mechanically recover the product. Minimise generation of dust. Dust can be vacuumed with a vacuum cleaner containing a HEPA (High Efficiency Particulate Air) filter.

Other information : Disposal must be done according to official regulations.

### 6.4. Reference to other sections

See section 7. See Heading 8. See Heading 13.

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

### 7.1. Precautions for safe handling

Precautions for safe handling : Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Use personal protective equipment as required. Obtain special instructions before use. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Clean contaminated areas thoroughly. Ensure good ventilation of the work station.

Hygiene measures : Wash hands and other exposed areas with mild soap and water before eating, drinking or smoking and when leaving work.

### 7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Storage conditions : Product must only be kept in the original packaging. Store tightly closed in a dry and cool place.

Information about storage in one common storage facility:  
Keep away from food, drink and animal feeding stuffs.

### 7.3. Specific end use(s)

For professional users only. See Heading 8. Exposure scenarios

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROL / PERSONAL PROTECTION

### 8.1 Control parameters

Aluminosilicate refractory ceramic fibres (142844-00-6)		
United Kingdom	Remark (WEL)	1,0 f/ml (HSE EH40 Workplace Exposure Limit)
United Kingdom	Recommended monitoring procedures	
	The UK follow MDHS 59 specific for MMVF: "Man-made mineral fibre-Airborne number concentration by phase-contrast light microscopy" and MDHS 14/3 "general methods for sampling and gravimetric analysis of respirable and inhalable dust: .	

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United Kingdom	WHI-EURO method: Determination of airborne fibre number concentrations: A recommended method, by phase-contrast optical microscope.

Aluminosilicate refractory ceramic fibres (142844-00-6)	
DNEL/DMEL (additional information)	
Long term – local effect, inhalation	2,17 f/ml

### Additional information

The DNEL cited in the long term exposure section above is based on the incidence of lung tumours (not significant at all treatment levels) in a multi-dose rat study reported (inhalation toxicology, 1995, 7(4), 469502, which demonstrates a NOAEL of 162 f/ml and leads to the calculated endpoint-specific DNEL of 2.17 f/ml.

SCOEL have recommended an OEL for RCF of 0.3 f/ml based on measured lung function in exposed workers. Assuming 45 exposure, the average cumulative exposures of 147.9 (all workers in the high exposure group) and 184.8 fmo/ml (workers 60+ years of age in the high exposure group) – equivalent to average fibre concentrations of 0.27 and 0.34 f/m; respectively- were considered as no observed adverse effect levels for lung function and SCOEL therefore proposed an OEL of 0.3 f/ml. This is considerably lower than the calculated DNEL value.

### 8.2 Exposure controls

#### Hand protection:

Leather protective gloves

#### Eye protection:

Safety glasses with side shields

#### Skin and body protection

Impervious clothing. Do not take working clothes home

#### Respiratory protection

I dusts are formed: wear appropriate mask (FFP3)



#### Other information:

Do not eat, drink or smoke during use; Do not take working clothes home; Separate working clothes from town clothes. Launder separately Uses and Risk Management Measures (RMM)

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Intended use

Secondary use – Conversion into wet and dry mixtures and articles.

Process would include: Mixing forming operations, handling of RCF/ASW products, assembly of RCF/ASW containing products, machine and hand finishing of RCF/ASW products.

Reference ES 2\*

RMM - Hierarchy of Controls

- Where it is practical to do so, automatically feed RCF/ASW in to the process
- Where practical to do so, segregate dry and wet processing
- Enclose the process where practically possible.
- Where practical to do so, segregate machine areas and restrict access to operators involved in the process.
- Enclose Machines as far as practically possible.
- Install LEV where possible, when machine finishing, handling, compressing and hand cutting to remove dust at source
- Employ experienced personnel – trained in the correct use of fibrous products
- PPE and RPE used for all dusty tasks
- Provide vacuum cleaner connection point to central system where practical or use a portable

HEPA vacuum

- Regular clean up – using a wet scrubbing unit where practically possible and in general a HEPA vacuum should be used.
- Dry brushing and use of compressed air should be prohibited
- Waste materials to be contained at source, labelled and stored separately for disposal or recycling.

Intended use

Tertiary use - maintenance and service life (Industrial or professional use)

Process: Small scale repairs involving removal and installation of RCF/ASW products. Use of the product in an enclosed system, where there is occasional control access or no access.

Reference ES 3\*

RMM - Hierarchy of Controls

- Use pre-cut, pre-sized pieces where practically possible.
- Allow access only to trained (authorised) operators
- Where practically possible, perform all hand cutting in a segregated area, on a down draft bench.
- Clean up work area regularly during the shift using a HEPA equipped vacuum cleaner.
- Prohibit use of dry brushing and compressed air cleaning.
- Bag and seal waste immediately at source.
- Use PPE and RPE appropriate to task.
- Employ good hygiene practices.

Intended use

Tertiary use- installation and removal (industrial or professional).

Large scale removal and installation of RCF/ASW from Industrial processes. Large scale removal and installation by professionals.

Reference ES 4\*

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### RMM - Hierarchy of Controls

- Where practically possible enclose or segregate the work area.
- Allow only authorised personnel.
- Pre-wet insulation prior to removal where practically possible.
- Where practically possible use a water lance for removal or vacuum-truck.
- Use down draft bench for hand cutting products.
- Cover pre-cut section during transport and storage to prevent secondary exposure.
- Where practically possible provide multiple vacuum hoses for convenient cleanup of spillage or use portable HEPA filtered vacuums.
- Bag waste materials immediately at source
- Prohibit use of dry brushing and or compressed air cleaning.
- Experienced personnel only
- Use appropriate PPE and RPE appropriate to expected concentrations.

### 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Physical state	: Solid	Solubility	: Water: < 1 mg/l
Appearance	: Fibres	Partition coefficient	: Not applicable
Boiling point	: Not applicable	Odour	: None
Flash point	: Not applicable	Melting point	: > 1740° C
Autoflammability	: Not applicable	Flammability	: Not applicable
Oxidising properties	: Not applicable	Explosive properties	: Not applicable
Specific gravity	: Not applicable	Vapour pressure	: Not applicable
Log Pow	: No data available		

### Length weighted geometric mean diameter of fibres contained in the product

1.4 - 3 µm.

### 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

#### 10.1. Reactivity

Stable under normal conditions of use.

#### 10.2. Chemical stability

The product is stable at normal handling and storage conditions.

#### 10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

No dangerous reactions known.

#### 10.4. Conditions to avoid

No additional information available.

#### 10.5. Incompatible materials

None.

#### 10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous decomposition products should not be produced.

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## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 11.1. Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity (oral)

Not classified (Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met)

Acute toxicity (dermal)

Not classified (Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met)

Acute toxicity (inhalation)

Not classified (Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met)

Skin corrosion/irritation

Not classified (Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met)

Serious eye damage/irritation

Not classified (Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met)

Respiratory or skin sensitization

Not classified (Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met)

Germ cell mutagenicity

Not classified (Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met)

Carcinogenicity

May cause cancer by inhalation.

Reproductive toxicity

Not classified (Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met)

STOT-single exposure

Not classified (Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met)

STOT-repeated exposure

Not classified (Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met)

Aspiration hazard

Not classified (Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met)

Other information : Basic toxicokinetic

Exposure is predominantly by inhalation or ingestion. Man made vitreous fibres of a similar size to RCF/ASW have not been shown to migrate from the lung and/or gut and do not become located in other parts of the body When compared to many naturally occurring minerals, RCF/ASW has a low ability to persist and accumulate in the body (half-life of long fibres (> 20 µm) in 3 week rat inhalation test is approx. 60 days).



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### Human toxicological data

In order to determine possible human health effects following RCF exposure, the University of Cincinnati has been conducting medical surveillance studies on RCF workers in the U.S. The Institute of Occupational Medicine (IOM) has conducted medical surveillance studies on RCF workers in European manufacturing facilities.

Pulmonary morbidity studies among production workers in Europe and USA have demonstrated an absence of interstitial fibrosis and no loss in lung function was observed in the longitudinal study with RCF exposure.

A statistically significant correlation between pleural plaques and cumulative RCF exposure was evidenced in the USA longitudinal study.

The USA mortality study did not show evidence of increased lung tumour development either in the lung parenchyma or in the pleura.

### Irritant Properties

Negative results have been obtained in animal studies (EU method B 4) for skin irritation. Inhalation exposures using the nose only route produce simultaneous heavy exposures to the eyes, but no reports of excess eye irritation exist. Animals exposed by inhalation similarly show no evidence of respiratory tract irritation.

Human data confirm that only mechanical irritation, resulting in itching, occurs in humans. Screening at manufacturers' plants in the UK has failed to show any human cases of skin conditions related to fibre exposure.

## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 12.1. Toxicity

Acute aquatic toxicity:

Not classified (Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met)

Chronic aquatic toxicity:

Not classified (Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met)

### 12.2. Persistence and degradability

No additional information available

### 12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

No additional information available

### 12.4. Mobility in soil

No additional information available

### 12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

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### 12.6. Other adverse effects

No additional information available

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### 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

#### 13.1 Waste treatment method

Waste disposal recommendation

Dispose in a safe manner in accordance with local/national regulations.

European list of waste (LoW) code

16.03.03\* - inorganic waste containing dangerous substances

### 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

In accordance with ADR/RID/IMDG/IATA/AND

ADR	IMDG	IATA	AND	RID
<b>14.1 UN number</b>				
Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
<b>14.2 UN proper shipping name</b>				
Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
<b>14.3 Transport hazard class(es)</b>				
Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
<b>14.4 Packing group</b>				
Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
<b>14.5 Environmental hazards</b>				
Not dangerous for the environment	Not dangerous for the environment: No Marine pollutant	Not dangerous for the environment	Not dangerous for the environment	Not dangerous for the environment

#### 14.6 Special precautions for user

Overland transport

Transport regulations (ADR) : Not applicable

Transport by sea

Transport regulations (IMDG) : Not applicable

Air transport

Transport regulations (IATA) : Not applicable

Inland waterway transport

Transport regulations (ADN) : Not applicable

Rail transport

Transport regulations (RID) : Not applicable

#### 14.7. Transport in bulk according to Annex II of Marpol and the IBC Code

Not applicable

### 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

#### 15.1 Safety, health and environment regulations/legislation specific for the substances or mixtures

##### 15.1.1 EU regulations

The following restrictions are applicable according to Annex XVII of the REACH Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006:

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28. Substances which are classified as carcinogen category 1A or 1B in Part 3 of Annex VI to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 and are listed in Appendix 1 or Appendix 2, respectively.	Aluminosilicate refractory ceramic fibres
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Aluminosilicate refractory ceramic fibres is on the REACH Candidate List  
 Aluminosilicate refractory ceramic fibres is not subject to REGULATION (EU) No 649/2012 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL of 4 July 2012 concerning the export and import of hazardous chemicals.

Aluminosilicate refractory ceramic fibres is not subject to Regulation (EC) No 850/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 April 2004 on persistent organic pollutants and amending Directive 79/117/EEC

Other information, restriction and prohibition regulations:

The zircon used in this product contains small amounts of uranium and thorium, which are naturally occurring radioactive materials (NORMS). However none of the components are radioactive under the terms of the European Directive 2013/59/EURATOM. Take note of Directive 94/33/EC on the protection of young people at work. Take note of Directive 92/85/EC on the safety and health of pregnant workers at work.

### 15.1.2 National regulations

No additional information available

### 15.2 Chemical safety assessment

A chemical safety assessment has been carried out.

## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

### Abbreviations and acronyms:

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ADN	European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterways
ADR	European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road
CLP	Classification Labelling Packaging Regulation; Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008
DNEL	Derived-No Effect Level
IATA	International Air Transport Association
IMDG	International Maritime Dangerous Goods
REACH	Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006
RID	Regulations concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail

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PBT	Persistent Bioaccumulative Toxic
vPvB	Very Persistent and Very Bioaccumulative
ATE	Acute Toxicity Estimate
BCF	Bioconcentration factor
DMEL	Derived Minimal Effect level
EC50	Median effective concentration
IARC	International Agency for Research on Cancer
LC50	Median lethal concentration
LD50	Median lethal dose
LOAEL	Lowest Observed Adverse Effect Level
NOAEC	No-Observed Adverse Effect Concentration
NOAEL	No-Observed Adverse Effect Level
NOEC	No-Observed Effect Concentration
OECD	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
PNEC	Predicted No-Effect Concentration
SDS	Safety Data Sheet
STP	Sewage treatment plant
TLM	Median Tolerance Limit

Data sources : ECHA (European Chemicals Agency).

### CARE PROGRAMME

ECFIA, representing the high temperature insulation wool (HTIW) industry, has undertaken an extensive industrial hygiene programme to provide assistance to the users of all products containing HTIW.

The objectives are twofold:

- to monitor workplace dust concentrations at both manufacturers' and customers' premises.
- to document manufacturing and use of HTIW products from an industrial hygiene perspective in order to establish appropriate recommendations to reduce exposures.

### PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES TO BE TAKEN AFTER SERVICE UPON REMOVAL

In almost all applications high temperature insulating wools products (HTIW) are used as an insulating material helping to maintain temperature at 900°C or more in a closed space. As produced, HTIW are vitreous (glassy) materials which, upon continued exposure to elevated temperatures (above 900 °C) might de-vitrify. The occurrence and extent of crystalline phase formation is dependent on the duration and temperature of exposure, fibre chemistry and/or the presence of fluxing agents. As only a thin layer of the insulation hot face side is exposed to high temperature, respirable dust generated during removal operations does not typically contain detectable levels of crystalline silica (CS). In applications where the material is heat soaked, duration of heat exposure is normally short and a significant de-vitrification allowing CS to build up does not occur. This is the case for waste mould casting for instance.

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Toxicological evaluation of the effect of the presence of CS in artificially heated HTIW material has not shown any increased toxicity in vitro and in vivo. The results from different combinations of factors like increased brittleness of fibres, or microcrystals embedded in the glass structure of the fibre and therefore not biologically available may explain the lack of toxicological effects.

IARC evaluation as provided in Monograph 68 is not relevant as CS is not biologically available in after service HTIW and respirable dust generated during removals operations generally do not contain detectable levels of crystalline silica..

High concentrations of fibres and other dusts may be generated when after-service products are mechanically disturbed during operations such as wrecking. Therefore ECFIA recommends:

- control measures are taken to reduce dust emissions; and
- all personnel directly involved wear an appropriate respirator to minimise exposure and comply with local regulatory limits.

Full text of H- and EUH-statements:	
Carc. 1B	Carcinogenicity (inhalation) Category 1B
H350i	May cause cancer by inhalation.

### NOTICE:

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