



# MSDS

## MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

**Grades :** 550 LF, LJ  
 880 LAH, LFH, LJH  
 970 LA, LF, LJ, LAH ,LFH ,LJH, LKH  
 971 LAH, LFH  
 1530 LA, LF, LJ, LAR  
 1535 LK, GC  
 Rollboard 1/8, 1/10, 1/16".

**Date Revised:** April, 2001

### I. PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION

**Trade Name:** Lytherm® Ceramic Fiber Papers.

**Chemical Name:** Alumina silica.

**Manufacturer:** Lydall - Rochester  
 P.O. Box 1960  
 Rochester, NH 03866

**Telephone:** 603-332-4600/4605 **FAX:** 603-332-9602

### II. PRODUCT INGREDIENTS

INGREDIENT NAME	CAS NUMBER	%	PEL AND TLV (except as noted)
Acrylic latex	NA	0 - 12	
Ceramic fiber	142844-00-6	88 - 100	0.5 fiber/cc recommended exposure guideline 1 fiber/cc OSHA Proposed Std. 5 mg/cu. m. OSHA respirable dust. 15 mg/cu. m. OSHA Total dust. 0.2 fiber/cc (TLV) ACGIH* for Refractory ceramic fiber (RCF)(respirable particulate).
Crystalline silica (cristobalite) will form <u>after</u> this product has been in service at temperatures greater than 1000° C.	14464-46-1	< 20	0.05 mg/cu. m. (TWA) ACGIH

\* American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists.

**NA:** Not Applicable

### III. PHYSICAL DATA

**Appearance and Odor:** White paper or board. No odor.

**Water Solubility (%):** Insoluble.

**Density:** 7.5 to 10.5 lbs/cu. ft.

### IV. FIRE AND EXPLOSION DATA

**Flash Point:** Unknown. The acrylic latex in this product will burn.

**Extinguishing Media:** Water, carbon dioxide, foam, dry chemical, Halon.

**Unusual Fire or Explosion Hazards:** None.

**Special Fire-Fighting Procedures:** None.

### V. HEALTH HAZARDS

#### A. Summary/Risks

**Summary:** Ceramic fibers used in manufacturing this product are under investigation as a possible animal carcinogen. Two categories of studies on laboratory animals, breathing high concentrations and artificial exposure (implantation) have reported tumors. No data from human epidemio-logical studies are available.

Based on animal studies the International Association for Research on Cancer (IARC) has classified ceramic fibers as a Group 2B substance, possibly carcinogenic to humans. The ACGIH, in Dec., 2000, classified RCF as "A2 – suspected human carcinogen."

This product as sold will not spontaneously generate any significant emissions of ceramic fiber dust. After this product has been in service at high temperatures (> 1000° C), ceramic fibers can transform into crystalline silica. The IARC has placed crystalline silica in Group 1, carcinogenic to humans.

**Medical conditions which may be aggravated:** Pre-existing upper respiratory and lung diseases may be aggravated by dust.

**Target Organs:** Skin, eyes, lungs.

**Acute Health Effects:** Mechanical irritation of respiratory system, skin, and eyes.

**Chronic Health Effects:** Exposure to "after service" dust containing cristobalite may cause lung damage such as silicosis.

**Primary Entry Route(s):** Inhalation, eye and skin contact.

#### B. Signs/Symptoms of Overexposure

**Inhalation:** Overexposure to dust may cause irritation or soreness in the throat and nose.

**Skin Contact:** Irritation or rash.

**Eyes:** Irritation or inflammation of the eyes.

**Ingestion:** May cause irritation to the gastro-intestinal tract.

#### C. First Aid/Emergency Procedures

**Inhalation:** Remove to fresh air. Drink water to clear throat. Blow nose to evacuate fibers.

**Skin Contact:** Wash with soap and water.

**Ingestion:** Do not induce vomiting.

**Eyes:** Flush with clean water for 15 minutes.

**CONSULT A PHYSICIAN IF ANY SYMPTOMS PERSIST.**

## VI. REACTIVITY DATA

**Chemical Incompatibilities:** Hydrofluoric acid and strong alkalis.

**Conditions to Avoid:** None in designed use.

**Hazardous Decomposition Products:** See Section II

## VII. SPILL OR LEAK PROCEDURES

**Procedures for Spill/Leak:** Vacuum dust and debris with a cleaner equipped with a HEPA filter.  
Use a dust suppressant if swept up.

**Waste Management:** This product is not listed as a hazardous waste nor does it exhibit any characteristics of a hazardous waste.

## VIII. SPECIAL PROTECTION INFORMATION

**HMIS rating:** Health = 1 Flammability = 1 Reactivity = 0  
Personal Protection = E

**Goggles:** If processing or handling this material creates excessive dust, goggles and face shield are recommended.

**Gloves:** Use barrier gloves if handling produces skin irritation.

**Respiration: LYTHERM AS SOLD:**

Less than 0.5 fiber/cc, use 3M 9900 or equivalent.

< 10 fibers/cc, use MSA COMFO Half-Mask (or equivalent) with HEPA filters.

< 50 fibers/cc, use MSA ULTRA-TWIN (or equivalent) with HEPA filters.

> 50 fibers/cc, use NIOSH approved full face respirator with positive-pressure supplied air.

**AFTER SERVICE AT TEMPS. > 1800° F:**

< 0.25 mg/cu. m, use MSA COMFO Half-Mask (or equivalent) with HEPA filters.

< 1.25 mg/cu. m, use MSA ULTRA-TWIN (or equivalent) with HEPA filters.

> 1.25 mg/cu. m, use NIOSH approved full face respirator with positive-pressure air supply.

**Ventilation:** Ventilate to minimize airborne fibers.

**Other:** Wash hands after handling. Wash contaminated clothing separately. Disposable coveralls are recommended if excessive dusting occurs.

## IX. SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS

**Special Handling/Storage:** Keep this material dry.

**Special Workplace Engineering Controls:** Ventilate to minimize airborne dust.

## X. REGULATORY

**SARA TITLE III:** This product does not contain any substances reportable under SARA Title III, Sections 302, 304, and 313.

**TSCA INVENTORY:** All substances contained in this product are listed in the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Chemical Inventory. Refractory ceramic fiber is subject to the TSCA Export Notification Requirements, Section 12(b), and must be reported to the US EPA when shipped out of the United States.

**CALIFORNIA Prop. 65:**

**WARNING:** This product contains ceramic fiber, a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer.

**WARNING:** After service at temperatures >1000° C, this product may form crystalline silica, a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer.

**DOT CLASS:** Not regulated.

**CANADA DOMESTIC SUBSTANCE LIST:** Loose refractory ceramic fiber is a class D-2.A controlled product under Canada WHMIS regulations based on the IARC classification of 2B for man-made vitreous fiber.

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