

# 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

Product Name: UNIFIX

**Recommended Use:** Ceramic tile adhesive.

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## 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

This material is hazardous according to criteria of ASCC; HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE.

Classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the Australian Dangerous Goods Code (ADG Code) for Transport by Road and Rail: DANGEROUS GOODS.

Risk Phrases: Highly Flammable. Irritating to eyes. Repeated exposure may cause skin dryness or cracking. Vapours

may cause drowsiness and dizziness.

Safety Phrases: Keep away from sources of ignition - No Smoking. Do not breathe vapour. Avoid contact with eyes. In

case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice. Do not

empty into drains.

Poisons

None allocated.

Schedule:

### 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Components / CAS Number Proportion Risk Phrases

Pigments and fillers >60%

Synthetic polymer(s) 10-<30%

10-3070

Acetone 10-<30% R11 R36 R66 R67

67-64-1

Methyl ethyl ketone 1-<10% R11, R36/37, R66, R67

78-93-3

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## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

For advice, contact a Poisons Information Centre (Phone eg. Australia 131 126; New Zealand 0 800 764766) or a doctor.

Inhalation: Remove victim from area of exposure - avoid becoming a casualty. Remove contaminated clothing

and loosen remaining clothing. Allow patient to assume most comfortable position and keep warm.

Keep at rest until fully recovered. If patient finds breathing difficult and develops a bluish

discolouration of the skin (which suggests a lack of oxygen in the blood - cyanosis), ensure airways are clear of any obstruction and have a qualified person give oxygen through a face mask. Apply

artificial respiration if patient is not breathing. Seek immediate medical advice.

**Skin Contact:** Wipe excess material from skin with a clean rag or paper towel (do NOT use solvent to clean skin).

If skin contact occurs, remove contaminated clothing and wash skin with running water. If irritation

occurs seek medical advice.

**Eye Contact:** If in eyes, hold eyelids apart and flush the eye continuously with running water. Continue flushing

until advised to stop by the Poisons Information Centre or a doctor, or for at least 15 minutes.

Ingestion: Rinse mouth with water. If swallowed, do NOT induce vomiting. Give a glass of water. Seek

medical advice.

**Medical attention** and special

Treat symptomatically.

# 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

**Hazards from combustion** 

products:

treatment:

Flammable paste. On burning will emit toxic fumes, including those of oxides of carbon

special protective equipment:

Precautions for fire fighters and Heating can cause expansion or decomposition of the material, which can lead to the containers exploding. If safe to do so, remove containers from the path of fire. Keep containers cool with water spray. Fire fighters to wear self-contained breathing

apparatus and suitable protective clothing if risk of exposure to vapour or products of

combustion.

**Suitable Extinguishing Media:** Normal foam, dry agent (carbon dioxide, dry chemical powder).

**Hazchem Code:** 3Y

# 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

**Emergency procedures:** If contamination of sewers or waterways has occurred advise local emergency services.

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Methods and materials for containment and clean up:

SMALL SPILLS: Slippery when wet. Avoid accidents, clean up immediately. Wipe up with rag or absorbent paper. Any residual material can be cleaned up with mineral turpentine

or similar hydrocarbon solvent, or acetone based nail polish remover.

LARGE SPILLS: Shut off all possible sources of ignition. Clear area of all unprotected personnel. Slippery when spilt. Avoid accidents, clean up immediately. Wear protective equipment to prevent skin and eye contact and breathing in vapours. Work up wind or increase ventilation. Contain - prevent run off into drains and waterways. Use absorbent (soil, sand or other inert material). Collect and seal in properly labelled containers or drums for disposal.

### 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Conditions for safe storage: Store in cool place and out of direct sunlight. Store in a well ventilated area away from

foodstuffs, oxidising agents and sources of heat or ignition. Keep containers closed

when not in use - check regularly for leaks.

Precautions for safe handling: Avoid skin and eye contact and breathing in vapour. May form flammable vapour

mixtures with air. All potential sources of ignition (open flames, pilot lights, furnaces, spark producing switches and electrical equipment etc) must be eliminated both in and

near the work area. Do NOT smoke.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

#### **Occupational Exposure Limits:**

No value assigned for this specific material by the National Occupational Health and Safety Commission. However, Exposure Standard(s) for constituent(s):

Acetone: 8hr TWA = 1185 mg/m3 (500 ppm), 15 min STEL = 2375 mg/m3 (1000 ppm)

Methyl ethyl ketone (MEK): 8hr TWA = 445 mg/m3 (150 ppm), 15 min STEL = 890 mg/m3 (300 ppm)

As published by the National Occupational Health and Safety Commission.

TWA - The time-weighted average airborne concentration over an eight-hour working day, for a five-day working week over an entire working life.

STEL (Short Term Exposure Limit) - the average airborne concentration over a 15 minute period which should not be exceeded at any time during a normal eight hour work day. According to current knowledge this concentration should neither impair the health of, nor cause undue discomfort to, nearly all workers.

These Exposure Standards are guides to be used in the control of occupational health hazards. All atmospheric contamination should be kept to as low a level as is workable. These exposure standards should not be used as fine dividing lines between safe and dangerous concentrations of chemicals. They are not a measure of relative toxicity.

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#### **Engineering controls:**

Ensure ventilation is adequate and that air concentrations of components are controlled below quoted Exposure Standards. Vapour heavier than air - prevent concentration in hollows or sumps. DO NOT enter confined spaces where vapour may have collected.

#### **Personal Protective Equipment:**

The selection of PPE is dependant on a detailed risk assessment. The risk assessment should consider the work situation, the physical form of the chemical, the handling methods, and environmental factors.

Selleys Factory Safe Handling Code: Blue

MANUFACTURE, PACKAGING AND TRANSPORT: Blue - Wear clean overalls, safety boots, general purpose gloves (PVC) and full face visor. Always wash hands before smoking, eating, drinking or using the toilet. Wash contaminated clothing and other protective equipment before storage or re-use.

If risk of inhalation exists, wear organic vapour respirator meeting the requirements of AS/NZS 1715 and AS/NZS 1716. FOR CONSUMER USE: Avoid contact with eyes and skin. Use with adequate ventilation. Wash hands after use.

### 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Physical state:PasteColour:WhiteOdour:Solvent

Solubility: Insoluble in water.

Specific Gravity: 1.6 @20°C Relative Vapour Density (air=1): >1

Vapour Pressure (20 °C): N Av Flash Point (°C): -10 (Est.) Flammability Limits (%): N Av Autoignition Temperature (°C): N Av % Volatile by Weight: 21

Solubility in water (g/L):

Melting Point/Range (°C):

Boiling Point/Range (°C):

Decomposition Point (°C):

N Av

N App

Viscosity: 200 Pa.s@25°C

**Evaporation Rate**: N Av

### 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**Chemical stability:** Stable under normal conditions of use.

Conditions to avoid: Avoid contact with foodstuffs. Avoid exposure to heat, sources of ignition, and open

flame.

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**Incompatible materials:** Incompatible with oxidising agents.

**Hazardous decomposition** 

products:

Oxides of carbon.

**Hazardous reactions:** Hazardous polymerisation will not occur.

### 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

No adverse health effects expected if the product is handled in accordance with this Safety Data Sheet and the product label. Symptoms or effects that may arise if the product is mishandled and overexposure occurs are:

**Ingestion:** Swallowing may result in nausea, vomiting, and abdominal pain.

**Eye contact:** An eye irritant.

Skin contact: Contact with skin may result in irritation. Will have a degreasing action on the skin. Repeated or

prolonged skin contact may lead to irritant contact dermatitis.

Inhalation: Material may be irritant to the mucous membranes of the respiratory tract (airways). Breathing in vapour

can result in headaches, dizziness, drowsiness, and possible nausea. Breathing in high concentrations can produce central nervous system depression, which can lead to loss of co-ordination, impaired

judgement and if exposure is prolonged, unconsciousness.

Long Term Effects:

No information available for the product.

**Toxicological Data:** 

No LD50 data available for the product.

## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Ecotoxicity** Avoid contaminating waterways.

#### 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

**Disposal methods:** Refer to Waste Management Authority. Advise flammable nature. Dispose of material

through a licensed waste contractor. Normally suitable for incineration by an approved

agent.

# 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

**Road and Rail Transport** 

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**UN No:** 1133

Class-primary 3 Flammable Liquid

Packing Group:

Proper Shipping Name: ADHESIVES

Hazchem Code: 3Y

**Marine Transport** 

Classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG Code) for transport by sea; DANGEROUS GOODS.

**UN No:** 1133

Class-primary: 3 Flammable Liquid

Packing Group: III

Proper Shipping Name: ADHESIVES

**Air Transport** 

Classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the International Air Transport Association (IATA) Dangerous Goods Regulations for transport by air; DANGEROUS GOODS.

**UN No:** 1133

Class-primary: 3 Flammable Liquid

Packing Group:

Proper Shipping Name: ADHESIVES

### 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Classification: This material is hazardous according to criteria of ASCC; HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE.

**Hazard Category:** Xi: Irritant

Risk Phrase(s): R11: Highly Flammable.

R36: Irritating to eyes.

R66: Repeated exposure may cause skin dryness or cracking.

R67: Vapours may cause drowsiness and dizziness.

**Safety Phrase(s):** S16: Keep away from sources of ignition - No smoking.

S23: Do not breathe vapour/mist/aerosol.

S25: Avoid contact with eyes.

S26: In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical

advice.

S29: Do not empty into drains.

Poisons Schedule: None allocated.

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All the constituents of this material are listed on the Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS).

## **16. OTHER INFORMATION**

This material safety data sheet has been prepared by SH&E Shared Services, Orica.

For further copies of this sheet or other product information contact Selleys Proprietary Limited Customer Service.

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#### Reason(s) for Issue:

5 Yearly Revised Primary MSDS

This MSDS summarises to our best knowledge at the date of issue, the chemical health and safety hazards of the material and general guidance on how to safely handle the material in the workplace. Since Orica Limited cannot anticipate or control the conditions under which the product may be used, each user must, prior to usage, assess and control the risks arising from its use of the material.

If clarification or further information is needed, the user should contact their Orica representative or Orica Limited at the contact details on page 1.

Orica Limited's responsibility for the material as sold is subject to the terms and conditions of sale, a copy of which is available upon request.

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