



Material Safety Data Sheet

Dow Chemical (Australia) Ltd

Product Name: STYROFOAM(TM) LB-PAC-T Extruded Polystyrene Foam **Issue Date:** 14.08.2012

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Dow Chemical (Australia) Ltd encourages and expects you to read and understand the entire (M)SDS, as there is important information throughout the document. We expect you to follow the precautions identified in this document unless your use conditions would necessitate other appropriate methods or actions.

1. Product and Company Identification

Product Name

STYROFOAM™ LB-PAC-T Extruded Polystyrene Foam

Identified uses

Thermal insulation.

COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

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EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBER

24-Hour Emergency Contact:

1800-033-882

Local Emergency Contact:

1800 033 882

For advice, contact a doctor (at once) or the Australian Poisons Information Centre: 131 126

2. Hazards Identification

HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES CLASSIFICATION: Not classified as hazardous to health according to the criteria of the National Occupational Health and Safety Commission, Australia

3. Composition Information

Component	Amount	Classification:	CAS #	EC #
1-Chloro-1,1-difluoroethane	<= 10.0 %	F+: R12; N: R59	75-68-3	200-891-8
Chlorodifluoromethane	<= 5.0 %	N: R59	75-45-6	200-871-9

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See Section 16 for full text of R-phrases.
Extruded polystyrene foam containing a halogenated flame retardant system.

4. First Aid Procedures

Description of first aid measures

General advice: If potential for exposure exists refer to Section 8 for specific personal protective equipment. If potential for exposure exists refer to Section 8 for specific personal protective equipment.

Inhalation: Move person to fresh air; if effects occur, consult a physician.

Skin Contact: Wash skin with plenty of water.

Eye Contact: If irritation occurs, Flush eyes thoroughly with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses after the initial 1-2 minutes and continue flushing for several additional minutes. If effects occur, consult a physician, preferably an ophthalmologist.

Ingestion: No emergency medical treatment necessary.

Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Aside from the information found under Description of first aid measures (above) and Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed (below), no additional symptoms and effects are anticipated.

Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

No specific antidote. Treatment of exposure should be directed at the control of symptoms and the clinical condition of the patient.

5. Fire Fighting Measures

Suitable extinguishing media

Water fog or fine spray. Dry chemical fire extinguishers. Carbon dioxide fire extinguishers. Foam.

Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Hazardous Combustion Products: During a fire, smoke may contain the original material in addition to combustion products of varying composition which may be toxic and/or irritating. In smoldering or flaming conditions, carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide and carbon are generated. Combustion products may include trace amounts of: Hydrogen bromide. Hydrogen chloride. Hydrogen fluoride. Based on combustion toxicity testing, the effects of combustion from this foam are not more acutely toxic than the effects of combustion from common building materials such as wood.

Unusual Fire and Explosion Hazards: Container may vent and/or rupture due to fire. Mechanical cutting, grinding or sawing can cause formation of dusts. To reduce the potential for dust explosion, do not permit dust to accumulate. This product contains a flame retardant to inhibit accidental ignition from small fire sources. This plastic foam product is combustible and should be protected from flames and other high heat sources. For more information, contact Dow. Dense smoke is produced when product burns.

Advice for firefighters

Fire Fighting Procedures: Keep people away. Isolate fire and deny unnecessary entry. Soak thoroughly with water to cool and prevent re-ignition. If material is molten, do not apply direct water stream. Use fine water spray or foam. Cool surroundings with water to localize fire zone.

Special Protective Equipment for Firefighters: Wear positive-pressure self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) and protective fire fighting clothing (includes fire fighting helmet, coat, trousers, boots, and gloves). If protective equipment is not available or not used, fight fire from a protected location or safe distance.

See Section 9 for related Physical Properties

6. Accidental Release Measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures: There are no special required instructions.

Environmental precautions: There are no special required instructions.

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up: Recover spilled material if possible. See Section 13, Disposal Considerations, for additional information.

7. Handling and Storage

Handling

General Handling: Fabrication methods which involve cutting into this product may release the blowing agent(s) remaining in the cells. Provide adequate ventilation to assure localized concentrations in release areas are maintained below the lower flammable limit. This product is combustible and may constitute a fire hazard if improperly used or installed. When installed, this product should be adequately protected as directed by national building regulations or instructions in the specific application brochure. See Section 8, EXPOSURE CONTROLS AND PERSONAL PROTECTION.

Storage

When large quantities of this product are stored or fabricated, blowing agents may be released. Released blowing agents may thermally decompose to form gases which may accelerate corrosion or rust formation of heaters, boilers, gas fired recirculating air furnaces or heaters, or gas water heaters. Flammable vapors may accumulate in some storage situations. In order to prevent buildup of combustible vapors, do not store large quantities of this product in unventilated spaces.

8. Exposure Controls / Personal Protection

Exposure Limits

Component	List	Type	Value
1-Chloro-1,1-difluoroethane	AIHA WEEL	TWA	4,100 mg/m3 1,000 ppm
Chlorodifluoromethane	ACGIH	TWA	1,000 ppm
	EU IOELV	TWA	3,600 mg/m3 1,000 ppm
	AU OEL	TWA	3,540 mg/m3 1,000 ppm

Concentrations of the blowing agents anticipated incidental to proper handling are expected to be well below those which cause acute inhalation effects and below exposure guidelines.

Personal Protection

Eye/Face Protection: Eye protection should not be necessary. For fabrication operations safety glasses (with side shields) are recommended. If there is a potential for exposure to particles which could cause eye discomfort, wear chemical goggles.

Skin Protection: No precautions other than clean body-covering clothing should be needed.

Hand protection: Use gloves to protect from mechanical injury. Selection of gloves will depend on the task.

Respiratory Protection: Respiratory protection should be worn when there is a potential to exceed the exposure limit requirements or guidelines. If there are no applicable exposure limit requirements or guidelines, wear respiratory protection when adverse effects, such as respiratory irritation or discomfort have been experienced, or where indicated by your risk assessment process. When respiratory protection is required for certain operations, including but not limited to saw, router or hot-wire cutting, use an approved air-purifying respirator. In dusty or misty atmospheres, use an approved particulate respirator. The following should be effective types of air-purifying respirators: Organic vapor cartridge with a particulate pre-filter.

Ingestion: No precautions necessary due to the physical properties of the material.

Engineering Controls

Ventilation: Use local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to maintain airborne levels below exposure limit requirements or guidelines. If there are no applicable exposure limit requirements or guidelines, general ventilation should be sufficient for most operations. Local exhaust ventilation may be necessary for some operations.

Other Information

Selection and use of personal protective equipment should be in accordance with the recommendations in one or more of the relevant Australian/New Zealand Standards, including:
AS/NZS 1336: Recommended practices for eye protection in the industrial environment.
AS/NZS 1337: Eye protectors for industrial applications.
AS/NZS 1715: Selection, use and maintenance of respiratory protective devices.
AS/NZS 2161: Occupational protective gloves.
AS/NZS 2210: Occupational protective footwear.
AS 2919: Industrial clothing.

9. Physical and Chemical Properties

Appearance

Physical State	Board
Color	Blue
Odor	Odorless
pH	Not applicable
Melting Point	> 75 °C <i>Literature</i>
Freezing Point	Not applicable
Boiling Point (760 mmHg)	Not applicable.
Flash Point - Closed Cup	346 °C <i>Literature</i>
Flammable Limits In Air	Lower: Not applicable Upper: Not applicable
Vapor Pressure	Not applicable
Vapor Density (air = 1)	Not applicable
Specific Gravity (H₂O = 1)	Not applicable
Solubility in water (by weight)	insoluble in water
Partition coefficient, n-octanol/water (log Pow)	No data available for this product.
Autoignition Temperature	491 °C <i>Literature</i>
Decomposition Temperature	No test data available
Kinematic Viscosity	Not applicable
Solid Density	20 - 70 kg/m ³ <i>Literature</i>

10. Stability and Reactivity

Reactivity

No dangerous reaction known under conditions of normal use.

Chemical stability

Thermally stable at typical use temperatures.

Possibility of hazardous reactions

Polymerization will not occur.

Conditions to Avoid: Avoid temperatures above 300°C (572°F) Exposure to elevated temperatures can cause product to decompose. Avoid direct sunlight.

Incompatible Materials: Avoid contact with oxidizing materials. Avoid contact with: Aldehydes. Amines. Esters. Liquid fuels. Organic solvents.

Hazardous decomposition products

Does not normally decompose. Evolution of small amounts of hydrogen halides occur when heated over 250°C (482°F). Decomposition products depend upon temperature, air supply and the presence of other materials. Decomposition products can include and are not limited to: Aromatic compounds. Aldehydes. Ethylbenzene. Polymer fragments. Styrene. Decomposition products can include trace amounts of: Hydrogen bromide. Hydrogen chloride. Hydrogen fluoride. Under high heat, non-flaming conditions, small amounts of aromatic hydrocarbons such as styrene and ethylbenzene are generated.

11. Toxicological Information

Acute Toxicity

Ingestion

Swallowing is unlikely because of the physical state. Very low toxicity if swallowed. Harmful effects not anticipated from swallowing small amounts.

As product: Single dose oral LD50 has not been determined.

Aspiration hazard

Based on available information, aspiration hazard could not be determined.

Dermal

Skin absorption is unlikely due to physical properties.

As product: The dermal LD50 has not been determined.

Inhalation

Dust may cause irritation to upper respiratory tract (nose and throat). Fumes/vapors released during thermal operations such as hot wire cutting may cause respiratory irritation. Concentrations of the blowing agents anticipated incidental to proper handling are expected to be well below those which cause acute inhalation effects and below exposure guidelines.

As product: The LC50 has not been determined.

Eye damage/eye irritation

Solid or dust may cause irritation due to mechanical action. Fumes/vapor released during thermal operations such as hot-wire cutting may cause eye irritation.

Skin corrosion/irritation

Essentially nonirritating to skin. Mechanical injury only.

Sensitization

Skin

No relevant data found.

Respiratory

No relevant data found.

Repeated Dose Toxicity

Additives are encapsulated in the product and are not expected to be released under normal processing conditions or foreseeable emergency.

Chronic Toxicity and Carcinogenicity

No relevant data found.

Developmental Toxicity

Chlorodifluoromethane (HCFC-22) caused birth defects in animals only at doses toxic to the mother. Dose levels producing these effects were many times higher than any dose levels expected from exposure due to use.

Reproductive Toxicity

No relevant data found.

Genetic Toxicology

No relevant data found.

12. Ecological Information

Toxicity

Not expected to be acutely toxic to aquatic organisms.

Persistence and Degradability

Surface photodegradation is expected with exposure to sunlight. No appreciable biodegradation is expected.

Bioaccumulative potential

Bioaccumulation: No bioconcentration is expected because of the relatively high molecular weight (MW greater than 1000).

Mobility in soil

Mobility in soil: In the terrestrial environment, material is expected to remain in the soil., In the aquatic environment, material is expected to float.

13. Disposal Considerations

All efforts to recycle material should be made. However, this material contains a halogenated flame retardant and should not be recycled with other non-flame retarded plastics. This material may be disposed of preferably by incineration under approved conditions or, in some countries, in approved landfills. Customers are advised to check their local legislation governing the disposal of waste materials. If incinerated, it is recommended that the flue gases be treated by a scrubber before exhausting to the atmosphere.

14. Transport Information

ADG Non-Bulk
NOT REGULATED

ADG Bulk
NOT REGULATED

IMDG
NOT REGULATED

ICAO/IATA
NOT REGULATED

This information is not intended to convey all specific regulatory or operational requirements/information relating to this product. Additional transportation system information can be obtained through an authorized sales or customer service representative. It is the responsibility of the transporting organization to follow all applicable laws, regulations and rules relating to the transportation of the material.

15. Regulatory Information

European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances (EINECS)

The components of this product are on the EINECS inventory or are exempt from inventory requirements.

Australia. Industrial Chemical (Notification and Assessment) Act

The principal components and additives of this product are included in the Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS) or comply with the requirements of the Industrial Chemicals (Notification and Assessment) Act 1989.

Classification and User Label Information

No regulatory requirements known.

Safety data sheet available for professional users on request.

16. Other Information

Risk-phrases in the Composition section

R12 Extremely flammable.
R59 Dangerous for the ozone layer.

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Legend

NA	Not available
W/W	Weight/Weight
OEL	Occupational Exposure Limit
STEL	Short Term Exposure Limit
TWA	Time Weighted Average
ACGIH	American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists, Inc.
DOW IHG	Dow Industrial Hygiene Guideline
WEEL	Workplace Environmental Exposure Level
HAZ_DES	Hazard Designation

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