

# METZO<sup>®</sup> PLAST HDPE/MF, HDPE/T and HDPE/ET

## 1. Identification of the substance/preparation and of the company/undertaking

Product Name: METZO<sup>®</sup> PLAST HDPE/MF (sheets and films)  
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Chemical nature: METZO<sup>®</sup> PLAST HDPE/MF PE-HD (high density polyethylene)  
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Mixture out of PE-HD (high density polyethylene) and PE-LD  
(low density polyethylene)

Product type: Solid matter

### Name of the company / supplier:

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Utilization of this material: Deep-drawable plastic sheets and films

## 2. Hazards Identification

This product does not require a hazard warning label in accordance with GHS criteria.

Classification of this product and mixture: not classified

## 3. Composition/information on ingredients:

Formulation: Preparation of PE-HD (respective PE-HD and PE-LD) and colours

Component	CAS Number	Amount	EINECS / ELINCS	Sym	R-Phrases
Polyethylene	9002-88-4	< 100 % weight	Exempt	NA	NA
Polyethylene Hexene Copolymer	25213-02-9	< 100 % weight	Exempt	NA	NA
Additives	Various	< 4 % weight	NA	NA	NA
Colours	Various	< 4 % weight	NA	NA	NA

### Occupational Exposure Limits:

Component	Limit	TWA	STEL	Ceiling / Peak	Notation
Polyethylene	ACGIH	3 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	NA	NA	NA
Polyethylene	German MAK	6 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	NA	NA	NA
Polyethylene Hexene Copolymer	ACGIH	Not established	NA	NA	NA

Control as Particulate Not Otherwise Classified (PNOC). The ACGIH Guideline for respirable dust is 3,0 mg/m<sup>3</sup> and 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup> for total dust. The OSHA PEL for respirable dust is 5,0 mg/m<sup>3</sup> and 15,0 mg/m<sup>3</sup> for total dust.

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## 4. First-aid measures

Inhalation:	Move person to fresh air. If effects occur, consult physician.
Ingestion:	If swallowed, seek medical attention. May cause gastrointestinal blockage. Do not give laxatives. Do not induce vomiting unless directed by medical personnel.
Skin Contact:	Wash skin with plenty of water. Seek first aid or medical attention as needed. If molten materials come in contact with the skin, do not apply ice but cool under ice water or running stream of water. DO NOT attempt to remove the material from skin. Removal could result in severe tissue damage. Seek medical attention immediately. Suitable emergency safety shower facility should be immediately available.
Eye Contact:	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.
Emergency Personnel Protection:	First Aid responders should pay attention to self-protection and use the recommended protective clothing (chemical resistant gloves, splash protection). If potential for exposure exists refer to section 8 for specific personal protective equipment.
Notes to physician:	If burn is present, treat as any thermal burn, after decontamination. If lavage is performed, suggest endotracheal and/or esophageal control. Danger from lung aspiration must be weighed against toxicity when considering emptying the stomach. 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

Fire classification:	OSHA Classification (29 CFR 1910.1200): Not classified by OSHA as flammable or combustible.
Extinguishing Media:	Water fog or fine spray. Dry chemical fire extinguishers. Carbon dioxide fire extinguishers. Foam.
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. Hand held dry chemical or carbon dioxide extinguishers may be used for small fires.
Unusual Fire and Explosion Hazards:	Pneumatic conveying and other mechanical handling operations of regrind material can generate combustible dust. To reduce the potential for dust explosions, do not permit dust to accumulate.
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. Combustion products may include and are not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Nitrogen oxides</li> <li>- Carbon monoxide</li> <li>- Carbon dioxide</li> </ul>

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Special Protective Equipment:  
for Fire-fighters:

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

Remark:

Electrical equipments and electrical lighting has to be protected in compliance with the standards to avoid that dust came in contact with hot surfaces, electrical sparks or other sources of ignition.

Dispose decays of brand and water of fire-fighting in compliance with local prescriptions.

## 6. Accidental Release Measures:

Personal Precautions

Use appropriate safety equipment. For additional information, refer to Section 8, Exposure Controls and Personal Protection

Environmental Precautions:

Prevent from entering into soil, ditches, sewers, waterways and / or groundwater. See section 12, Ecological information.

Steps to be taken if material is released:

Sweep up. Collect in suitable and properly labeled containers. See section 13, Disposal Considerations for additional information

## 7. Handling and storage

General Handling:

No smoking, open flames or sources of ignition in handling and storage area. Good housekeeping and controlling of dusts are necessary for safe handling of product. Avoid breathing process fumes. Use with adequate ventilation. Workers should be protected from the possibility of contact with molten product. Do not get molten material in eyes, on skin or clothing. Pneumatic conveying of milled material and other mechanical handling operations can generate combustible dust. To reduce the potential of dust explosions, electrically bond and ground equipment and do not permit dust to accumulate. Dust can be ignited by static discharge.

Storage:

Store in compliance with local prescriptions.

## 8. Exposure controls / Personal Protection

**Personal Protection:**

- Respiratory Protection:  
(to be used by manufacturing)

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 process. Use an approved air-purifying respirator when vapours are generated at increased temperatures or when dust or mist is present. Use the following CE approved air-purifying respirator: When dust/mist are present use a/an Particular filter, type P2. When combinations of vapours, acids, or dust/mists are present use a/an Organic vapour cartridge with a particulate pre-filter, type AP2.

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- Eye / Face Protection

If there is a potential for exposure to particles which could cause eye discomfort, wear chemical goggles. Chemical goggles should be consistent with EN 166 or equivalent. If exposure causes eye discomfort, use a full-face respirator.

**Engineering Controls:**

- Ventilation:

Dusts and mists have to be evacuated.

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.

## 9. Physical and Chemical Properties

Physical state:

Sheets and films in various thicknesses  
varying

Colour

faint specific odour

Odour:

Softening temperature

> 100 °C (DIN EN ISO 306

Flash point

340 °C

Self-ignition temperature

380 °C (DIN 51794)

Density (Nature)

approx. 1,03 kg/dm<sup>3</sup> (DIN 53479)

Solubility in water

insoluble in cold and hot water

Lower explosion limit:

As a result of our supplier with this product and his knowledge of its composition, he does not expect any hazard as long as the product is used appropriately and in accordance with the intended use.

Upper explosion limit

As a result of our supplier with this product and his knowledge of its composition, he do not expect any hazard as long as the product is used appropriately and in accordance with the intended use.

## 10. Stability and Reactivity

Conditions to avoid:

Avoid extreme heat. Avoid all sources of ignition: heat, sparks, and open flame

Chemical stability:

This product is considered stable under normal ambient and anticipated storage and handling conditions of temperature and pressure.

Thermal decomposition

To avoid thermal degradation do not overheat, degradation starts at approximately 300 °C  
approx. 300 °C

Hazardous reactions:

To avoid thermal degradation do not overheat

Substances to avoid:

The product is chemically stable.

Hazardous decomposition products:

Not applicable

Hazardous Polymerisation:

Low molecular weight hydrocarbons, alcohols, aldehydes, acids and ketones can be formed during thermal processing  
Hazardous polymerization will not occur.

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## 11. Toxicological Information

Acute toxicity

Assessment of acute toxicity:

Contact with molten product may cause thermal burns

Irritation:

Assessment of irritating effects:

No irritation is expected under intended use and appropriated handling

Other relevant toxicity information:

Based on our experience, the experience of our suppliers and the information available, no adverse health effects are expected if handle das recommended with suitable precautions for designated uses.

Additional toxicology information:

This product contains polymerized Olefins

During thermal processing (> 177 °C) olefins can release vapours and gases (ldehydes, ketones and organic acids) which are irritating to the mucous membranes of the eyes, mouth, throat and lungs. Generally these irritant effects are all transitory. However, prolonged exposure to irritating off-gases can lead to pulmonary edema. Formaldehyde (an aldehyde) has been classified as a probable human carcinogen by NTP, IARC (2A) and OSHA based on animal data and limited epidemiological evidence.

The toxicological properties of this product have not been tested or have not been tested completely and its handling or use may be hazardous. EXERCISE DUE CARE:

## 12. Ecological Information

Ecotoxicity:

Assessment of aquatic toxicity:

There is a high probability that the product is not acutely harmful to aquatic organisms.

The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived by our suppliers from the structure of the product.

Persistence and degradability:

Assessment biodegradation and elimination (H2O)

The polymer component of the product is poorly biodegradable. The insoluble fraction can be removed by mechanical means in suitable waste water treatment plants. In accordance with the required stability the product is not readily biodegradable. The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from our suppliers from the structure of the product.

Bioaccumulation potential:

Assessment bioaccumulation potential:

Discharge into the environment must be avoided

Bioaccumulation potential:

The product will not be readily bioavailable due to its consistency and insolubility in water

Additional information:

Other ecotoxicological advice:

No data can be given due to the product is insoluble in water

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## 13. Disposal Considerations

For uncontaminated material the disposal options include mechanical and chemical recycling or energy recovery. In some countries landfill is also allowed. For contaminated material the options remain the same, although additional evaluation is required. For all countries the disposal methods must be in compliance with national and provincial laws and any municipal or local by-laws. All disposal methods must be in compliance with the EU framework Directives 91/156/EEC, 91/689/EEC and their subsequent adaptations, as implemented in National Laws and Regulations, as well as EU Directives dealing with priority waste streams. Transboundary shipment of wastes must be in compliance with EU Regulation 259/93 and subsequent modifications

## 14. Transport Information

International Regulations

- ADR Not classified as a dangerous good under transport regulations
- RID Not classified as a dangerous good under transport regulations
- ADNR Not classified as a dangerous good under transport regulations
- IMDG Not classified as a dangerous good under transport regulations
- IATA/CAO Not classified as a dangerous good under transport regulations

## 15. Regularity Information

### European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances (EINECS)

This product is a polymer according to the definition in Directive 92/32/EEC (7th Amendment to Directive 67/548/EEC) and all of its starting materials and international additives are listed in the European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances (EINECS) or in compliance with European (EU) chemical inventory requirements

### EC Classification and User Label Information

This product is not classified as dangerous according to EC criteria

### EU-Labeling:

**Symbols:** NA – Not Applicable  
**Risk and Safety Phrases:** S22: Do not breathe dust

## 16. Other information

NFPA Ratings:	Health: 1	Flammability: 1	Reactivity: 0	Special: NA
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