

**Material Safety
Data Sheet
WS Flex 16**



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SECTION 1 - PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product Name: **WS Flex 16** **Grit Range: 180 - 2500, 3000**
Synonyms: N/A

Product Use: Coated abrasive product

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SECTION 2 - HAZARDOUS INGREDIENTS

<u>INGREDIENTS</u>	<u>C.A.S. NO.</u>	<u>& BY WEIGHT</u>
Paper Backing	None	25 - 65
Silicon Carbide Mineral	409-21-2	20 - 60
Cured Adhesive	None	5 - 25

Note: The user of this product should perform an assessment of the workpiece material(s) to fully understand the scope of hazards associated with the use of this product.

SECTION 3 - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

There are no known hazards associated with the abrasive product itself other than what is contained in the **Exposure Controls** section of this document.

There can be hazards associated with the use of this product. Always review completely all operational instructions provided by the manufacturer of any tools or machinery that this product may be used with. It is also recommended that before this product is used for grinding purposes, a risk assessment should be performed on the material being abraded.

Potential Health Effects

Inhalation: Exposure to dust generated from the use of this product can result in respiratory system irritation. Signs/symptoms may include throat or nasal irritation, wheezing, coughing, congestion, or headaches.

Eye Contact: Eye irritation. Signs/symptoms may include redness, discomfort, or in some cases, scratching of the corneal tissue.

Skin Contact: Skin irritation. Signs/symptoms may include itching, abrasion, or redness.

Ingestion: No harmful effects are known.



SECTION 4 - FIRST AID MEASURES

- Inhalation:** Move exposed person to fresh air. If signs/symptoms persist, seek medical attention.
- Eye Contact:** Immediately flush eye with water. If signs/symptoms persist, seek medical attention.
- Skin Contact:** Wash affected area with soap and water. If signs/symptoms persist, seek medical attention.
- Ingestion:** No treatment expected. If signs/symptoms persist, seek medical attention.

SECTION 5 - FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Toxic fumes may occur, Use respiratory protective equipment.

Extinguishing Media: water, foam, sand powder or CO₂ as appropriate for surrounding materials.

SECTION 6 - ACCIDENTAL REALEASE MEASURES

Not applicable.

SECTION 7 - HANDLING AND STORAGE

This product should be inspected carefully prior to use for cracks or tears. Damaged product can break apart during use and cause serious injury. Personal protective equipment should be worn to protect the eyes, face and hands. Dust and particulate generated from the use of this product can cause injury to the respiratory system if proper respiratory equipment is not worn during use. Sparks can be generated from the use of this product. Care should be taken to prevent fires.

Product should be stored in a cool dry place. Recommended conditions: 68 (±2)^oF, [20°C], 45-65% relative humidity.

SECTION 8 - EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

A risk assessment should be performed before using this product. Local mechanical exhaust ventilation is recommended while using this product to control airborne dust, fumes, and/or particulate. Respiratory protection equipment is also recommended. Refer to Section 2 for Occupational Exposure Limits of key ingredients and dust. See below for specific recommended personal protective equipment.

Respiratory Protection:

Avoid breathing fumes and dust generated by the use of this product. Select and use an OSHA-approved respirator based upon the airborne concentrations of this abrasive's ingredients and the workpiece material being abraded to prevent overexposure.

Skin Protection:

Care should be taken to avoid contact with the skin. Use appropriate gloves and protective clothing to minimize skin contact and reduce the possibility of physical abrasion.



Eye Protection:

Always wear eye and face protection. Goggles or full face shield are recommended.

Hearing Protection:

Hearing protection may be desired, depending on specific application or machinery.

Exposure Limit Values:

<u>INGREDIENT</u>	<u>C.A.S. NO.</u>	<u>E.C. NO.</u>	<u>OSHA PEL (mg/m³)</u>		<u>ACGIH / TWA (mg/m³)</u>	
			<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>RESPIRABLE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>RESPIRABLE</u>
Silicon Carbide	409-21-2	206-991-8	15	5	10	3
Dust			10	3		

SECTION 9 – PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

General Physical Form:	Solid
Flash Point:	Not Applicable
Boiling Point:	Not Applicable
Melting Point:	Not Applicable
Specific Gravity:	Not Applicable
Solubility in Water:	Insignificant

SECTION 10 – STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Stability:	Coated abrasives are stable when handled or stored.
Reactivity:	Unknown.
Conditions to avoid:	No decomposition in normal use.
Materials to avoid:	No dangerous reactions known.
Hazardous decomposition:	At temperatures exceeding 482°F (250°C) hazardous or toxic decomposition products may be generated.

SECTION 11 – TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute Toxicity

Acute oral toxicity	No data available.
Acute dermal toxicity	No data available.
Acute inhalation toxicity	No data available.

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Irritant/Corrosive Effects

Irritant effect on skin In case of prolonged, frequent contact, irritation is possible.

Irritant effect on eyes In case of prolonged, frequent contact, irritation is possible.

Sensitization No data available.

Effects after repeated or prolonged exposure (sub-acute, sub-chronic, chronic)

Mutagenicity No data available.

Reproduction toxicity No data available.

Carcinogenicity No data available.

Experience in practice

Repeated and prolonged skin contact may lead to defatting and irritation of the skin.

SECTION 12 - ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxic effects: No data available
Daphnia toxicity: No data available
Algae toxicity: No data available
Bacteria toxicity: No data available
General Information / Ecology: Do not discharge product unmonitored into the environment

SECTION 13 - DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Product:

Dispose in accordance with federal, state and local regulations.

Packaging:

Uncontaminated packaging may be taken for recycling.
Packaging that cannot be cleaned should be disposed of as a product waste.

It is highly recommended to consult all applicable local, state and national regulations regarding waste disposal in your area.

SECTION 14 - TRANSPORT INFORMATION

This product is not defined under USDOT, IMDG, GGVSee, or ICAO/IATA regulations as a hazardous material.

SECTION 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION

U.S. Federal Regulations:

TSCA (Toxic Substances Control Act)
This product is an article as defined by TSCA regulations, and is exempt from TSCA Inventory listing requirements.

Clean Water Act (CWA)
None of the ingredients are listed.

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Clean Air Act

None of the ingredients are listed.

OSHA: Hazardous by definition of the Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

The following ingredients are hazardous by definition of Hazard Communication Standard:

CAS No: 14808-60-7

SARA Section 302 (RQ)

None of the ingredients are listed.

SARA Hazard Category (Section 311/312)

Not classified as hazardous in accordance with the regulations.

SARA Section 313 Information

None of the ingredients are listed.

HAPS (Hazardous Air Pollutants)

None of the ingredients are listed.

IARC

None of the ingredients are listed.

NTP Report on Carcinogens

The following ingredients are listed:

CAS No.: 14808-60-7

State Regulations:

New Jersey Worker and Community Right to Know Act

The following ingredients are listed:

CAS No.: 14808-60-7

California Proposition 65

This product contains a substance known to the state of California to cause cancer.

CAS No.: 14808-60-7 Silica, Crystalline.

Pennsylvania Hazardous Substance List

The following ingredients are listed:

CAS No.: 14808-60-7

Canada Federal Regulations

Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (WHMIS) – Canada

WHMIS Classification: Not a controlled product. This product meets the definition of a “manufactured article” under WHMIS regulations.

SECTION 16– OTHER INFORMATION

HMIS Classification

Flammability: 1

Health: 1

PPE: B

Reactivity: 0

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NFPA Rating

Fire Hazard: 1
Health: 1
Reactivity: 0

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