



Polyethylene
Visico™ ME4425

1. Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

Trade name: Visico ME4425
Material use: raw material for plastics industry
Manufacturer: Borealis
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2. Hazards identification

Health: The product is not classified as hazardous. However, during crosslinking reaction in combination with catalyst masterbatch: methanol (Flam. Liq. 2; H225, Acute Tox. 3; H301, Acute Tox. 3; H311, Acute Tox. 3; H331, STOT SE 1; H370 - see chapter 16) may be released. Methanol: Toxic by inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed. Very serious irreversible effects through inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed. Inhalation of dust may irritate the respiratory tract. Prolonged inhalation of high doses of decomposition products may give headache or irritation of the respiratory tract.

Fire: The product burns, but is not classified as flammable.

Environment: The product is not considered hazardous for the environment.

3. Composition/information on ingredients

The product is a polyethylene polymer.

Contains no substance classified as hazardous in concentrations, which should be taken into account according to EU regulations.

4. First aid measures

No specific instructions needed.

Skin contact: Cool melted product on skin with plenty of water. Do not remove solidified product.

5. Firefighting measures

Suitable extinguishing media: Water in spread jet, dry chemicals, foam or carbon dioxide.

Special exposure hazards: Principal toxicant in the smoke is carbon monoxide.

6. Accidental release measures

Vacuum or sweep up spill. All spill of material must be removed immediately to prevent slipping accidents.

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7. Handling and storage

Handling: During processing and thermal treatment of the product, small amounts of volatile hydrocarbons may be released. Provide adequate ventilation. Local exhaust ventilation may be necessary. Avoid inhalation of dust and decomposition fumes. Dust from the product gives a potential risk for dust explosion. All equipment shall be grounded.

Storage: Safety aspects do not require any special precautions in terms of storage.

8. Exposure controls/personal protection

Provide adequate ventilation. Local exhaust ventilation may be necessary.

Respiratory protection: In case of insufficient ventilation: Suitable mask with particle filter P3.

Hand protection: butyl-rubber. Please observe the instructions regarding permeability and breakthrough time which are provided by the supplier of the gloves. Also take into consideration the specific local conditions under which the product is used, such as the danger of cuts, abrasion, and the contact time. The selected protective gloves have to satisfy the specifications of EU Directive 89/686/EEC and the standard EN 374 derived from it.

9. Physical and chemical properties

Appearance: solid, natural colour

Odour: odourless

Melting point/range: 100 - 140 °C

Density: 0,9 - 1,0 g/cm³

Ignition temperature: > 320 °C

Water solubility: insoluble in water

10. Stability and reactivity

The product is a stable thermoplastic, with no chemical reactivity. The intended crosslinking reaction occurs in combination with the catalyst masterbatch and moisture: at ambient conditions, in sauna or hot water bath.

11. Toxicological information

The product is not classified as hazardous according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008. However, during crosslinking reaction in combination with catalyst masterbatch: methanol may be released. Methanol: Toxic by inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed. Very serious irreversible effects through inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed. Inhalation of dust may irritate the respiratory tract. Prolonged inhalation of high doses of decomposition products may give headache or irritation of the respiratory tract.

12. Ecological information

The product is not considered hazardous for the environment.



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13. Disposal considerations

Reuse or recycle if not contaminated. The product may be safely used as fuel. Proper combustion does not require any special flue gas control. Check with local regulations.

14. Transport information

The product is not regulated by ADR/RID, IMDG or IATA.

15. Regulatory information

In accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008, the product does not need to be classified nor labelled.

Label:

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16. Other information

Issued in accordance with Article 32 of Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006, and its amendments.

Full text of H-Statements referred to under sections 2 and 3

H225: Highly flammable liquid and vapour.

H301: Toxic if swallowed.

H311: Toxic in contact with skin.

H331: Toxic if inhaled.

H370: Causes damage to organs.

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