

# PRODUCT SAFETY DATA SHEET

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<p><b>1. Identification of Substances &amp; Company</b></p> <p><b>ASPHALT</b></p> <p><b>Company</b> Midland Quarry Products Limited Leicester Road Whitwick Leicestershire LE67 5GR Telephone: (01530) 831000 Fax: (01530) 832299</p>	<p><b>6. Accidental Release Measures</b></p> <p><b>Personal Precautions</b> Ensure the temperature of the Asphalt does not present a Safety Hazard. Wear overalls and gloves.</p> <p><b>Environmental Precautions</b> Entry into watercourses should be avoided.</p> <p><b>Methods for Cleaning</b> No Special requirements</p>										
<p><b>2. Composition / Information on Ingredients</b></p> <p>Asphalts are mixtures, of aggregates and bitumen, some of which may be recycled materials. Bitumen is a hydrocarbon derived from the distillation of petroleum crude oil. Asphalts containing additives are out of the scope of this data sheet. For further details of the specifications refer to the Relevant Technical Data Sheet.</p>	<p><b>7. Handling and Storage</b></p> <p><b>Handling</b> Skin contact with hot materials should be avoided. Inhalation of fumes should be avoided as far as is reasonably practicable.</p> <p><b>Storage</b> No special requirements. Refer to the relevant Technical Data Sheet for the specific product.</p>										
<p><b>3. Hazards Identification</b></p> <p>These products are <b>NOT</b> classified as <b>hazardous</b> in accordance any statutory legislation such as CHIP. If used as intended we do not envisage any COSHH Risk Exposure Rating. The main hazards presented by Asphalt depend on the temperature of the material.</p> <p>The following hazards may apply:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hot materials may burn the skin.</li> <li>Fumes from Asphalt are unlikely to be hazardous when laid in open air situations, but there may be a risk to health by continuous inhalation of high vapour concentrations which might arise in confined or semi-confined spaces.</li> </ul>	<p><b>8. Exposure Controls / Personal Protection</b></p> <p><b>Take Measures to Prevent</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Inhalation of dust.</li> <li>Inhalation of excessive quantities of dust during cutting or surface treatment of hardened asphalt.</li> </ol> <p><b>Workplace Exposure Limits</b></p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>(a) Asphalt Fumes - W.E.L.</td> <td>5mg/m<sup>3</sup> 8 Hours T.W.A.</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>10mg/m<sup>3</sup> 15 Min T.W.A.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>(b) Total Dust - W.E.L.</td> <td>10mg/m<sup>3</sup> 8 Hours T.W.A.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Respirable Dust - W.E.L.</td> <td>4mg/m<sup>3</sup> 8 Hours T.W.A.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Respirable Quartz - W.E.L.</td> <td>0.1mg/m<sup>3</sup> 8 Hours T.W.A.</td> </tr> </table> <p>W.E.L. = Workplace Exposure Limit T.W.A. = Time Weighted Average</p> <p><b>Respiratory Protection</b> Suitable masks if dust / fume is present in significant quantities.</p> <p><b>Hand Protection</b> Gloves.</p> <p><b>Eye Protection</b> Goggles may be required.</p> <p><b>Skin Protection</b> Overalls.</p>	(a) Asphalt Fumes - W.E.L.	5mg/m <sup>3</sup> 8 Hours T.W.A.		10mg/m <sup>3</sup> 15 Min T.W.A.	(b) Total Dust - W.E.L.	10mg/m <sup>3</sup> 8 Hours T.W.A.	Respirable Dust - W.E.L.	4mg/m <sup>3</sup> 8 Hours T.W.A.	Respirable Quartz - W.E.L.	0.1mg/m <sup>3</sup> 8 Hours T.W.A.
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<p><b>4. First Aid Measures</b></p> <p><b>Summary of First Aid Procedures</b></p> <p><b>Inhalation</b> Immediately remove to fresh air. Seek medical attention.</p> <p><b>Skin Contact</b> Burns caused by contact with hot material should be cooled by immediately drenching with cold water.</p> <p><b>Eye Contact</b> Irrigate with water for at least ten minutes. If pain persists seek medical attention.</p> <p><b>Ingestion</b> Remove to fresh air and give water to drink. Seek medical advice.</p>											
<p><b>5. Fire Fighting Measures</b></p> <p><b>Suitable Extinguishing Media</b> Dry powder, foam.</p> <p><b>Unsuitable Extinguishing Media</b> CO<sup>2</sup></p> <p><b>Special Exposure Hazards in Fire</b> Hydrocarbon fumes may be released.</p> <p><b>Special Protective Equipment for Fire Fighters</b> Full protective clothing including suitable respirator or breathing apparatus.</p>											

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<p><b>10. Stability and Reactivity</b></p> <p><b>Conditions to Avoid</b> Sources of ignition and temperatures above 200°C.</p> <p><b>Materials to Avoid</b> Strong oxidising agents, e.g. chlorates which may be used in agriculture.</p> <p><b>Hazardous Decomposition Products</b> The substances arising from the thermal decomposition of the bitumen binder in Asphalt will largely depend on the particular conditions but may contain the following:</p> <p>Carbon Dioxide, Carbon Monoxide, Water, Particulate Matter, Hydrogen Sulphide, Sulphur Oxides, Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons, Unburnt Hydrocarbons, Nitrogen Oxides, Vanadium Pentoxide.</p>	<p><b>15. Regulatory Information</b></p> <p><b>This product is NOT classified as dangerous for transport.</b></p> <p><b>Where RAP material is used as a feed product i.e. road plantings/recycled asphalt then it has been registered under REACH (Bitumen constituent).</b></p>																												
<p><b>11. Toxicological Information</b></p> <p>Fumes inhaled over a prolonged period could constitute a health hazard. Prolonged skin contact may cause dermatitis.</p>	<p><b>16. Other Information</b></p> <p><b>Training Advice</b> Wear and use of PPE.</p> <p><b>Recommended Uses and Applications</b> Industrial and construction applications</p> <p><b>Further Information</b> Health, Safety &amp; Environmental Adviser Midland Quarry Products Limited Telephone: (01530) 831000</p>																												
<p><b>12. Ecological Information</b></p> <p><b>Environmental Assessment</b> When used and disposed of as intended, no adverse environmental effects are foreseen.</p> <p><b>Mobility</b> Asphalts are non volatile materials that will sink in water and form a solid layer on the surface of the ground.</p> <p><b>Persistence and Degradability</b> Asphalts are resistant to degradation and will persist in the environment for a considerable period of time..</p> <p><b>Ecotoxicity</b> Not expected to be toxic to aquatic organisms.</p>	<p><b>Key Data Used to Compile Data Sheet</b></p> <p>HSE Guidance Note EH40 PPE Regulations (Amended) COSHH Regulations (Amended) Environmental Protection Act REACH Regulations</p>																												
<p><b>13. Disposal Consideration</b></p> <p><b>Likely Residues / Waste Product</b> Asphalt is an inert material, however please refer to local and national requirements</p> <p><b>Safe Handling of Residues / Waste Product</b> Aggregates are inert but should be disposed of in accordance with local and national legal requirements.</p>																													