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Report on the Toxicity of Combustion

Products for the **Fireblock FFG** material when tested in accordance with the **DEFTSAN (NES 713)** test protocol

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### SCOPE

This report contains the small-scale test results for the **Fireblock FFG** when accordance with the **DEFTSAN (NES 713)** test protocol.

Section 1: Product information and photographic identification of the product received for testing

Section 2: Test method used to evaluate the toxicity of combustion gasses

Section 3: Test results

Section 4: Conclusion

Annexure "A": Company information

Annexures "B": Product information and MSDS supplied by Fest Extinguishing Services



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### 1. PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

The product has the following characteristics:

### **Product information:**

Product name:

Fireblock FFG

Product code:

FFG 20220101

Product code.

Fireblock cc

Manufacturer: Manufacturing date:

12 January 2022

Batch number:

2022-01-00001

### **Physical Properties:**

Odourless, beige coloured gel

### **Product Composition/Ingredients:**

Component 1:

Potassium polyacrylate

Component 2:

Montmorillonite

Component 3:

Quartz

Component 4:

Mica

Component 5:

Stabilizers

Component 5: Component 6:

Thickening agents

Intended application or use:

Firefighting gel

Fireblock FFG



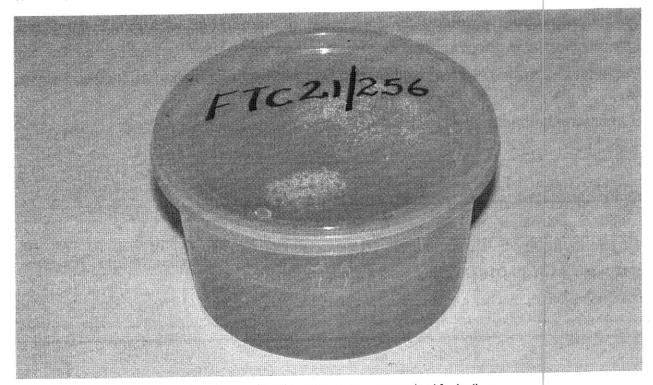


Figure 1.1: Identification of the specimen received for testing



# 2. TOXICITY: DEFSTAN (NES 713)

### 2.1. TEST PROCEDURE

One gram (1 g  $\pm$  5 mg) of the material was burned in a chamber with a volume of 1 m³. The concentrations of certain specified gases were determined by means of colorimetric (Dräger) tubes. These concentrations were then used to calculate the quantities of gases given off should a 100 g of material burned in a cubic meter (1 m³) of air.

The toxicity index is calculated from the summation of the ratios of these concentrations to the concentrations causing fatality to man after a 30-minute exposure time. Gases to be determined and their fatality limits are:

Chemical	Conc.	C-0	Chemical Formula	Conc. (ppm)
Gas Formula	(ppm)	Gas		
CO <sub>2</sub>	100 000	Nitrous Oxides	NO <sub>x</sub>	250
со	4 000	Hydrogen Cyanide	HCN	150
CH₂O	500	Acrylonitrile	C₃H₃N	400
HF	100	Ammonia	NH <sub>3</sub>	750
HCI	500	Sulphur Dioxide	SO <sub>2</sub>	400
HBr	150	Hydrogen Sulphide	H₂S	750
C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> OH	250			
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Table 2.1.1: Noxious gases with its lethal limits after 30 minutes of exposure

## 2.2. TEST EQUIPMENT

- Dräger tubes (various as per test protocol)
- Dräger pump
- Toxicity Test Facility



### 3. TEST RESULTS

The results from the toxicity test conducted on 07 February 2022 are seen in Table 3.1 below. The temperature prior to testing was 27.0 °C.

# Fest Extinguishing Services – Fireblock FFG

Gas detected	Chemical Formula	Conc./100 g ( <i>ppm</i> )	Toxicity Index
Carbon Dioxide	CO <sub>2</sub>	100 000	1.000
Carbon Monoxide	СО	5 635	1.409
Formaldehyde	CH₂O	100	0.2
Hydrogen Chloride	HCl	-	44
Phenol	C <sub>6</sub> H₅OH		**
Nitrous Oxides	NO <sub>x</sub>	82	0.328
Hydrogen Cyanide	HCN	Traces	**
Sulphur Dioxide	SO <sub>2</sub>		**

Total Toxicity Ind	ex 2.937

Table 3.1: Toxicity test results



### 4. CONCLUSION

The Fireblock FFG material supplied by Fest Extinguishing Services achieved a Total Toxicity Index of 2.937 during the DEFSTAN (NES 713) Toxicity test.

Notes:

- The Toxicity Index result is only an indication and may differ from batch to batch
- » Although the toxicity index is relatively low, it has no relevance to the performance of the product for its intended use.
- » The environmental impact of run-off water during application has not been determined as this would require water quality testing.

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ANNEXURE "B"

Product name: FIREBLOCK FFG  Generic Identification: GEL  Proposed Application: FIRE FIGHTING GEL  Product Manufacturer: FIREBLOCK cc  Manufacturing Date: 12-01-2022  Product Code No.: FFG 20220101  Batch No.: 2022-01-00001  Inysical description: n/a  Thickness (mm): n/a  Width (mm): n/a  Length (mm): n/a	Product name:  Generic Identification:  Proposed Application:  FIRE FIGHTING GEL  Product Manufacturer:  FIREBLOCK cc  Manufacturing Date:  12-01-2022  Product Code No.:  Batch No.:  2022-01-00001  hysical description:  Actual Mass (g/m²):  n/a  Thickness (mm):  n/a  Width (mm):  n/a  Length (mm):  roduct composition:  Layer 1:  n/a  Layer 2:  n/a  Layer 3:  n/a  Layer 4:  n/a  Layer 5:  n/a  Additional Information:  (MSDS to be sent separately for all Toxicity tests)		Part 9 & NES 713 (TOX) — ct Description —	FIRELAB
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Additional Information:	
Physical state:	Gel
Phase at 25 °C and 1013 Pa:	Gel
Colour:	Light beige
Odour:	odourless
Odour threshold:	n/a
Melting point/Melting range (°C):	[TO BE TESTED
Boiling point/Boiling range (°C):	>800 Degrees
Flash point:	TO BE TESTED
Auto-ignition Temperature (°C):	[TO BE TESTED  ]
Evaporation rate:	[TO BE TESTED   ]
Flammability:	Not flammable
Vapour density:	TO BE TESTED
Density:	[TO BE TESTED  ]
Water solubility:	Not applicable
Thermal decomposition:	TO BE TESTED
Additional (	Notes:
Fire fighting gel	