

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

## SECTION 1 – PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION AND USE

PRODUCT IDENTIFIER: EPOVIT 11 20 11 / 12 / 15 / 16 / 18 / 19  
PRODUCT USE: Embedding Medium for Metallographic Use  
CAS NUMBER: N/A (all components are TSCA listed)

CHEMICAL NAME: NA (mixture)  
CHEMICAL FAMILY: Phenolic Molding Compound

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## SECTION 2 – COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

<u>CHEMICAL NAME</u>	<u>CAS NO.</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>OSHA PEL</u>	<u>ACGIH TLV</u>
Phenol*	108-95-2	<2.5	5 ppm	5 ppm
Carbon Black*	1333-86-4	<1.0	3.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	3.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Glass Fiber (respirable nuisance dust)	65997-17-3	<50	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	10 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Amorphous Silica (respirable nuisance dust)	61790-53-2	<15	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Alumina Trihydrate (respirable nuisance dust)	21645-51-2	<5	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Phenolic Resin	9003-35-4	<40	NE	NE
Melamine-Formaldehyde Polymer	9003-08-1	<5	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Hexamethylenetetramine	100-97-0	<6	15 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	10 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Stearic Acid	57-11-4	<1.5	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	3 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Hydrated Lime	1305-62-0	<2	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

The remaining ingredients are not hazardous as defined in OSHA's Hazard Communication Standard 29 CFR 1910.1200.

\* See Sections 3 and 11

## SECTION 3 – HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

EFFECTS OF OVEREXPOSURE: \*Phenol, formaldehyde, and ammonia vapors may be released during molding processes. Overexposure to these vapors may cause irritation to eyes, nose, throat and skin. Sensitized individuals may experience allergic skin reactions. Exposure to dust from machining operations may cause nose and throat irritation. The glass fiber and mineral filler components are considered a mechanical irritants and nuisance dust.

\*IARC has listed carbon black as a Class 2B possible human carcinogen based on laboratory studies with animals.

INHALATION: Dusts and vapors may cause irritation of the respiratory tract.

EYE CONTACT: Dusts and vapors may cause irritation.

SKIN CONTACT: May cause irritation and/or allergic reactions in sensitized individuals.

INGESTION: None known.

CHRONIC: Yes

## SECTION 4 – FIRST AID MEASURES

- INHALATION:** Remove to fresh air. If respiration stops, apply appropriate emergency resuscitation techniques. Get medical attention.
- EYE CONTACT:** Flush eyes with water for at least 15 minutes. Call a physician if irritation persists.
- SKIN CONTACT:** Wash with soap and water at first opportunity. See physician if irritation persists.
- INGESTION:** If accidentally swallowed, dilute by drinking large quantities of water. Immediately contact poison control center or hospital emergency room for any other treatment directions.
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## SECTION 5 – FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

- FLASH POINT:** NA NE LEL NE UEL
- METHOD USED:** NA
- AUTOIGNITION TEMPERATURE:** Typically >550°C by Pensky-Martens method.
- EXTINGUISHING MEDIA:** Water Fog, Foam, CO<sub>2</sub>, Dry Chemical
- SPECIAL FIRE FIGHTING PROCEDURES:** Firefighters should be equipped with a self-contained breathing apparatus as decomposition in a fire may produce toxic fumes.
- UNUSUAL FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARDS:** CAUTION: high concentration of airborne dust may form an explosive mixture with air. Ensure that good house keeping practices are followed, as well as applicable guidelines such as National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 654, "Prevention of Fire and Dust Explosions from the Manufacturing, Processing, and Handling of Combustible Particulate Solids.
- HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS:** May include: phenol, formaldehyde, ammonia, carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, hydrogen cyanide, particular matter, and other organic compounds including benzo(a)pyrene.
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## SECTION 6 – ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

- PERSONAL PRECAUTIONS:** Avoid breathing dust and vapors. Avoid eye contact. Avoid repeated or prolonged skin contact. Use proper PPE for the situation ([see Section 8](#)). Eye wash stations should be easily accessible to areas where product is used.
- ENVIRONMENTAL PRECAUTIONS:** None needed.
- CLEANING METHODS:** Sweep or vacuum spills. To minimize dust, vacuum cleaning is preferred.
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## SECTION 7 – HANDLING AND STORAGE

- HANDLING:** Avoid breathing fumes from molding or other processes involving heat. Avoid breathing dusts from cutting, machining or deflashing operations. Guard against dust accumulation of this material. High concentrations of airborne dust may form explosive mixture with air. As with all chemicals, good industrial hygiene practices should be followed when handling this material.
- STORAGE:** Keep container closed and sealed when not in use. Store in a cool, dry place below 25°C.
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## SECTION 8 – ENGINEERING CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

### VENTILATION

- LOCAL: At points of emission to maintain exposure below regulatory action levels.
- GENERAL: Ventilation should be sufficient to effectively remove and prevent buildup of any vapors, dusts, or fumes that may be generated during handling or thermal processing.

### PERSONAL PROTECTION:

- HAND: Impervious gloves should be worn to prevent skin contact (neoprene, latex, rubber, milled nitrile, and butyl).
- EYE: Wear safety glasses with side shields.
- SKIN: Wear appropriate protective clothing to minimize skin contact.
- OTHER: Use MSHA/NIOSH approved respiratory protection if level of air contaminants exceeds action levels set by OSHA.

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## SECTION 9 – PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

- APPEARANCE: Black colored granules
- ODOR: Mild and Characteristic
- PHYSICAL STATE: Solid
- BOILING POINT: NA
- MELTING POINT: NE
- FREEZING POINT: NE
- WATER SOLUBILITY: Negligible
- VAPOR PRESSURE: NA
- SPECIFIC GRAVITY: 1.70 – 1.80 g/cm<sup>3</sup>
- PARTITION COEFFICIENT: N/A
- EXPLOSIVE PROPERTIES: Mixtures of fine dust and air can create an explosion hazard.
- EVAPORATION RATE: N/A
- DENSITY: 1.70 – 1.80 g/cm<sup>3</sup>
- VISCOSITY: NA
- IGNITION: Typically >550°C by Pensky-Martens method.
- pH: Not determined

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## SECTION 10 – STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

- CHEMICAL STABILITY: Stable
- CONDITIONS TO AVOID: High temperatures.
- MATERIALS TO AVOID: Strong oxidizing agents, strong acids.
- HAZARDOUS POLYMERIZATION: Does not occur.
- HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS: May occur during fire or at very high temperatures (see Section IV for hazardous decomposition products).

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### SECTION 11 – TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

CARCINOGENIC HAZARDS: \*Carbon black is listed under California's Proposition 65 as a human carcinogen.  
REPRODUCTIVE HAZARDS: None known.

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### SECTION 12 – ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Based on current information, there are no special regulations.

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### SECTION 13 – DISPOSAL CONSIDERATION

ENVIRONMENTAL TOXICITY DATA: See regulatory information below.  
WASTE DISPOSAL METHOD: In accordance with all local, state, and federal regulations.  
CONTAINER DISPOSAL: In accordance with all local, state, and federal regulations.

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### SECTION 14 – TRANSPORT INFORMATION

DOT SHIPPING NAME: Not regulated.  
DOT HAZARD CLASSIFICATION: Non-hazardous.  
PACKAGING GROUP: Not regulated.  
UN/NA CODE: Not regulated.

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### SECTION 15 – REGULATORY INFORMATION

TSCA (*Toxic Substances Control Act*): All ingredients are TSCA listed.  
CERCLA (*Comprehensive Emergency Response, Compensation, and Liability Act*): Release of phenol above RQ level requires reporting.  
SARA TITLE III (*Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act*): Release of phenol above TPQ level requires reporting.  
311/312 HAZARD CATEGORIES: Release of phenol and carbon black may require reporting depending on the amount released.

This product contains the following toxic chemicals subject to the reporting requirements of Section 313 of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-To-Know Act of 1986 and 40 CFR 372:

<u>CAS #</u>	<u>CHEMICAL NAME</u>	<u>PERCENT BY WEIGHT</u>
108-95-2	Phenol	<2.5

## SECTION 16 – OTHER INFORMATION

NA = Not applicable  
NE = Not established

The information contained herein is based on data considered accurate. However, no warranty is expressed or implied regarding the accuracy of these data or the result to be obtained from the use thereof.

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## SECTION 17 – PREPARATION OF SAFETY DATA SHEET

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