



## SAFETY DATA SHEET

### 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

#### 1.1 Product identifier

**Product name** MASTACOVE45 CORNICE CEMENT  
**Synonym(s)** 45 • CORNICE CEMENT • COVE • COVE45 • MASTA COVE 45 • MASTACOVE

#### 1.2 Uses and uses advised against

**Use(s)** CORNICE CEMENT  
Cornice cement for fastening cornice to walls and ceilings (Mix with water).

#### 1.3 Details of the supplier of the product

**Supplier name** KNAUF PLASTERBOARD PTY LTD  
**Address** 31 Military Rd, Matraville, NSW, 2036, AUSTRALIA  
**Telephone** (02) 9311 6900; 1300 724 505  
**Fax** (02) 9661 6416  
**Email** [csc@knauf.com.au](mailto:csc@knauf.com.au)  
**Website** <http://www.knaufplasterboard.com.au>

#### 1.4 Emergency telephone number(s)

**Emergency** 13 11 26

### 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

#### 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

NOT CLASSIFIED AS HAZARDOUS ACCORDING TO SAFE WORK AUSTRALIA CRITERIA

#### 2.2 Label elements

No signal word, pictograms, hazard or precautionary statements have been allocated.

#### 2.3 Other hazards

No information provided.

### 3. COMPOSITION/ INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

#### 3.1 Substances / Mixtures

Ingredient	CAS Number	EC Number	Content
CALCIUM SULPHATE HEMIHYDRATE	10034-76-1	600-067-1	50 to 70%
LIMESTONE (CALCIUM CARBONATE)	1317-65-3	215-279-6	30 to 40%
QUARTZ (CRYSTALLINE SILICA)	14808-60-7	238-878-4	<0.1%
NON HAZARDOUS INGREDIENTS	Not Available	Not Available	Remainder

**Ingredient Notes** Crystalline silica is present only as content within ingredients.

### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

#### 4.1 Description of first aid measures

**Eye** If in eyes, hold eyelids apart and flush continuously with running water. Continue flushing until advised to stop by a Poisons Information Centre, a doctor, or for at least 15 minutes.

**Inhalation** If inhaled, remove from contaminated area. Apply artificial respiration if not breathing.

**Skin** If skin or hair contact occurs, remove contaminated clothing and flush skin and hair with running water.

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**Ingestion** For advice, contact a Poisons Information Centre on 13 11 26 (Australia Wide) or a doctor (at once). If swallowed, do not induce vomiting.

**First aid facilities** Eye wash facilities and safety shower should be available.

**4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed**

See Section 11 for more detailed information on health effects and symptoms.

**4.3 Immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**

Treat symptomatically.

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**5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES**

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**5.1 Extinguishing media**

Use an extinguishing agent suitable for the surrounding fire.

**5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture**

Non flammable. May evolve toxic gases if strongly heated.

**5.3 Advice for firefighters**

No fire or explosion hazard exists.

**5.4 Hazchem code**

None allocated.

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**6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

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**6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

Wear Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) as detailed in section 8 of the SDS.

**6.2 Environmental precautions**

Prevent product from entering drains and waterways.

**6.3 Methods of cleaning up**

Contain spillage, keep moist and place in suitable containers for disposal or reapplication. Within enclosed environments clean spill site using wet methods or an approved industrial vacuum device. Avoid generating dust.

**6.4 Reference to other sections**

See Sections 8 and 13 for exposure controls and disposal.

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**7. HANDLING AND STORAGE**

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**7.1 Precautions for safe handling**

Before use carefully read the product label. Use of safe work practices are recommended to avoid eye or skin contact and inhalation. Observe good personal hygiene, including washing hands before eating. Prohibit eating, drinking and smoking in contaminated areas.

**7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**

Store in a cool, dry, well ventilated area, removed from incompatible substances and foodstuffs. Ensure containers are adequately labelled, protected from physical damage and sealed when not in use.

**7.3 Specific end use(s)**

No information provided.

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**8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION**

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**8.1 Control parameters****Exposure standards**

Ingredient	Reference	TWA		STEL	
		ppm	mg/m <sup>3</sup>	ppm	mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Calcium carbonate (Limestone, Marble, Whiting)	SWA (AUS)	--	10	--	--
Quartz (respirable dust)	SWA (AUS)	--	0.1	--	--

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### Biological limits

No biological limit values have been entered for this product.

### 8.2 Exposure controls

**Engineering controls** Avoid inhalation. Use in well ventilated areas. Where an inhalation risk exists, mechanical extraction ventilation is recommended. Maintain dust levels below the recommended exposure standard.

### PPE

<b>Eye / Face</b>	Wear dust-proof goggles.
<b>Hands</b>	Wear PVC or rubber gloves.
<b>Body</b>	When using large quantities or where heavy contamination is likely, wear coveralls.
<b>Respiratory</b>	Where an inhalation risk exists, wear a Class P1 (Particulate) respirator.



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## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

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### 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

<b>Appearance</b>	WHITE POWDER
<b>Odour</b>	SLIGHT ODOUR
<b>Flammability</b>	NON FLAMMABLE
<b>Flash point</b>	NOT RELEVANT
<b>Boiling point</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Melting point</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Evaporation rate</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>pH</b>	7.5 (Approximately) (mixed with water)
<b>Vapour density</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Specific gravity</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Solubility (water)</b>	SLIGHTLY SOLUBLE
<b>Vapour pressure</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Upper explosion limit</b>	NOT RELEVANT
<b>Lower explosion limit</b>	NOT RELEVANT
<b>Partition coefficient</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Autoignition temperature</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Decomposition temperature</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Viscosity</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Explosive properties</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Oxidising properties</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Odour threshold</b>	NOT AVAILABLE

### 9.2 Other information

<b>Relative density</b>	2.5
<b>VOC</b>	< 50 g/L

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## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

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### 10.1 Reactivity

Carefully review all information provided in sections 10.2 to 10.6.

### 10.2 Chemical stability

Stable under recommended conditions of storage.

### 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

Polymerization will not occur.

### 10.4 Conditions to avoid

Avoid heat, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources.

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**10.5 Incompatible materials**

Incompatible with acids (e.g. nitric acid), fluorine, aluminium (hot) and ammonium salts.

**10.6 Hazardous decomposition products**

May evolve carbon oxides and calcium oxides when heated to decomposition.

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**11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

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**11.1 Information on toxicological effects**

**Acute toxicity** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

**Information available for the ingredient(s):**

Ingredient	Oral Toxicity (LD50)	Dermal Toxicity (LD50)	Inhalation Toxicity (LC50)
LIMESTONE (CALCIUM CARBONATE)	> 5000 mg/kg (rat)	--	--

**Skin** Contact may result in irritation, redness, rash and dermatitis.  
**Eye** Contact may result in irritation, lacrimation, pain and redness.  
**Sensitisation** Not classified as causing skin or respiratory sensitisation.  
**Mutagenicity** Insufficient data available to classify as a mutagen.  
**Carcinogenicity** Crystalline silica is classified as carcinogenic to humans (IARC Group 1). However, there is a body of evidence supporting the fact that increased cancer risk would be limited to people already suffering from silicosis. However, due to the low levels present, adverse health effects are not anticipated with normal use.  
**Reproductive** Not classified as a reproductive toxin.  
**STOT - single exposure** Over exposure may result in irritation of the nose and throat, with coughing.  
**STOT - repeated exposure** Repeated exposure to respirable silica may result in pulmonary fibrosis (silicosis). Silicosis is a fibronodular lung disease caused by deposition in the lungs of fine respirable particles of crystalline silica. Principal symptoms of silicosis are coughing and breathlessness.  
**Aspiration** Not relevant.

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**12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

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**12.1 Toxicity**

Calcium carbonate occurs naturally in a wide variety of substances including limestone, marble and egg shells. It is not anticipated to cause adverse environmental effects.

**12.2 Persistence and degradability**

Dissolved calcium carbonate dissociates into calcium and carbonate ions. Calcium ions will be assimilated by living organisms in the water and the carbonate will become part of the carbon cycle.

**12.3 Bioaccumulative potential**

This product does not bioaccumulate.

**12.4 Mobility in soil**

Due to its limited solubility, calcium carbonate precipitates and deposits on the sediment.

**12.5 Other adverse effects**

No information provided.

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**13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

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**13.1 Waste treatment methods**

**Waste disposal** Ensure product is covered with moist soil to prevent dust generation and dispose of to approved Council landfill. Contact the manufacturer/supplier for additional information (if required).  
**Legislation** Dispose of in accordance with relevant local legislation.

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**14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

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NOT CLASSIFIED AS A DANGEROUS GOOD BY THE CRITERIA OF THE ADG CODE, IMDG OR IATA

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	LAND TRANSPORT (ADG)	SEA TRANSPORT (IMDG / IMO)	AIR TRANSPORT (IATA / ICAO)
<b>14.1 UN Number</b>	None allocated.	None allocated.	None allocated.
<b>14.2 Proper Shipping Name</b>	None allocated.	None allocated.	None allocated.
<b>14.3 Transport hazard class</b>	None allocated.	None allocated.	None allocated.
<b>14.4 Packing Group</b>	None allocated.	None allocated.	None allocated.

**14.5 Environmental hazards**

No information provided.

**14.6 Special precautions for user**

Hazchem code None allocated.

**15. REGULATORY INFORMATION****15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture**

**Poison schedule** A poison schedule number has not been allocated to this product using the criteria in the Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP).

**Classifications** Safework Australia criteria is based on the Globally Harmonised System (GHS) of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals.

The classifications and phrases listed below are based on the Approved Criteria for Classifying Hazardous Substances [NOHSC: 1008(2004)].

**Hazard codes** None allocated.

**Risk phrases** None allocated.

**Safety phrases** None allocated.

**Inventory listing(s)** **AUSTRALIA: AICS (Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances)**  
All components are listed on AICS, or are exempt.

**16. OTHER INFORMATION**

**Additional information** **RESPIRATORS:** In general the use of respirators should be limited and engineering controls employed to avoid exposure. If respiratory equipment must be worn ensure correct respirator selection and training is undertaken. Remember that some respirators may be extremely uncomfortable when used for long periods. The use of air powered or air supplied respirators should be considered where prolonged or repeated use is necessary.

**EXPOSURE CONTROL:** If utilised in a closed system the potential for over exposure is reduced. If not used in a closed system, local exhaust ventilation is recommended to control exposure. Provide eye wash and safety shower in close proximity to points of potential exposure. Where the potential for an inhalation risk exists, an approved respirator may be required. Do not eat, store, consume food, tobacco or drink in areas where product is used.

**PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT GUIDELINES:**

The recommendation for protective equipment contained within this report is provided as a guide only. Factors such as method of application, working environment, quantity used, product concentration and the availability of engineering controls should be considered before final selection of personal protective equipment is made.

**HEALTH EFFECTS FROM EXPOSURE:**

It should be noted that the effects from exposure to this product will depend on several factors including: frequency and duration of use; quantity used; effectiveness of control measures; protective equipment used and method of application. Given that it is impractical to prepare a report which would encompass all possible scenarios, it is anticipated that users will assess the risks and apply control methods where appropriate.

**PRODUCT NAME MASTACOVE45 CORNICE CEMENT****Abbreviations**

ACGIH	American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists
CAS #	Chemical Abstract Service number - used to uniquely identify chemical compounds
CNS	Central Nervous System
EC No.	EC No - European Community Number
EMS	Emergency Schedules (Emergency Procedures for Ships Carrying Dangerous Goods)
GHS	Globally Harmonized System
GTEPG	Group Text Emergency Procedure Guide
IARC	International Agency for Research on Cancer
LC50	Lethal Concentration, 50% / Median Lethal Concentration
LD50	Lethal Dose, 50% / Median Lethal Dose
mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Milligrams per Cubic Metre
OEL	Occupational Exposure Limit
pH	relates to hydrogen ion concentration using a scale of 0 (high acidic) to 14 (highly alkaline).
ppm	Parts Per Million
STEL	Short-Term Exposure Limit
STOT-RE	Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure)
STOT-SE	Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)
SUSMP	Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons
SWA	Safe Work Australia
TLV	Threshold Limit Value
TWA	Time Weighted Average

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