

**MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET**

**ASPHALT SHINGLES AND OTHER ASPHALT COATED PRODUCTS**

**SECTION I PRODUCT INFORMATION**

**Product Name (s)** Asphalt shingles, Mineral surfaced prepared roofing, Slate surface roll roofing, Selvage edge roofing, Smooth surface roofing.

**Brand Name (s)** BP roofing Shingles, BP Slate Surfaced Roll Roofing, BP's NIS Roll Roofing, BP's Smooth Surface Roll Roofing, Vented Base Sheet, Base Ply.

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**Product Uses** For low and high (inclined) sloped roofs, as water shedding roof protector. As underlayment to roof insulations on flat roofs (for Vented and Base Ply).

**SECTION II PREPARATION INFORMATION**

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**SECTION III HAZARDOUS INGREDIENTS**

**Asphalt** 30% to 60%

**SECTION IV PHYSICAL DATA**

**1. Physical State** Solid (Asphalt coated, Surfaced sheets)

**2. Odour and Appearance** Odour - Slight petroleum odour - sheet forms  
Colour - Sheet forms colored mineral granules/white talc or sand covered blackish (asphaltic) colour

**3. Specific Gravity** 1.8 to 2.5

**4. Boiling Point** Not applicable

**5. Vapour Pressure** Not applicable

**6. Solubility in Water** Not applicable

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SECTION V FIRE AND EXPLOSION DATA	
<b>Flash Point</b>	Minimum 265°C (approx.) Method used COC
<b>Flammable limits in air % by volume</b>	Unknown
<b>Auto-ignition Temperature</b>	370°C - 480°C (approx.)
<b>Fire and Explosion Hazards</b>	Addition of water or foam may cause frothing. Flammage gas emitted on heating.
<b>Extinguishing Method</b>	Water spray, dry chemical, carbon dioxide for smal fires.
<b>Fire Fighting Procedures</b>	Use water spray to cool fire-exposed area and as a protective screen. Self-contained breathing apparatus should be worn to protect against possible release of hydrogen sulfide and sulfur dioxide is material is burning. Do not point solid water directly into burning asphalt to avoid spreading.
SECTION VI REACTIVITY DATA	
<b>Stability</b>	Stable
<b>Conditions to Avoid</b>	Excessive heat approaching flash point
<b>Materials to Avoid</b>	Oxidizing agents, strong acids
<b>Hazardous Decomposition</b>	COx, SOx, NOx, Sulfur compounds, smoke
<b>Hazardous Polymerization</b>	Not known to happen
SECTION VII ENVIRONMENTAL AND DISPOSAL INFORM/	
Product as produced is in solid state. For disposal use standard approved waste disposal procedures. If product has been affected by heat of fire and asphalt in a fluid state has been affected by heat of fire and asphalt in a fluid state has been released from product, then allow to cool and solidify before disposal. Break it up and collect in appropriate containors such as drums.	
SECTION VIII HEALTH HAZARD DATA	
This manufactured product as produced and when used under ambient conditions poses no health hazards. However, if product is heated beyond 200°C or if it catches fire, then the major constituent asphalt (bitumen) will emanate slightly toxic fumes. Melted asphalt (bitumen) from the product could act as a fuel and contribute to the fire.	
<b>Toxicity Data</b>	The International Agency for Research on Cancer states that there is inadequate evidence that bitumens alone are carcinogenic to humans.
<b>Effects of Over-Exposure</b>	
<b>Inhalation</b>	Fumes from hot asphalt cause nausea, headache, diziness.
<b>Skin and Eyes</b>	Hot asphalt burns skin and eyes. Prolonged or repeated skin contact may cause dermatitis.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Ingestion is unlikely.
<b>Note:</b>	Under extreme heat, product may liberate hot fluid asphalt.

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**SECTION IX FIRST AID**

Emergency and First Aid Procedures Information

**Skin** For hot asphalt splash, cool part by water immersion or shower. Do not attempt removal of asphalt from part but split longitudinally, if circumferential, to avoid tourniquet effect. For skin soiling without underlying burn, cleanse with mineral oil followed by soap and water.

**Eyes** Copious warm water flush for 15 minutes. Physician assessment if eyes are inflamed. Cleanse soiling with olive oil.

**Inhalation** Evacuate to fresh air. Apply CPR if required. Physicians assessment mandatory.

**Ingestion** Not applicable.

**SECTION X HANDLING PRECAUTIONS**

For product as produced, there are no special handling procedures required other than wearing gloves to protect hands from physical scratches or asphalt stains.

**SECTION XI ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

For product as produced and used, there are no special safety procedures required.

Should product catch fire through external sources, remain upwind of the fire. Avoid skin and eye contact. Avoid inhalation of fumes.

Since this product is a "Manufactured Article", EMCO Building Products Limited is not required by law to produce a Material Safety Data Sheet. This Material Safety Data Sheet is provided as a customer service information.

The recommendations and data presented are believed to be correct. However, no warranty is expressed or implied regarding the accuracy of the data or the results obtained from the use of this information.