

# KERAMICAST

## Fibrous and Decorative Plaster

### PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Keramicast is a formulated hemihydrate plaster ( $\text{CaSO}_4 \cdot 1/2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ) produced from naturally occurring high purity gypsum mineral. It is off-white in colour. It is used for the production of fibrous plasterwork and GRG. It is also traditionally used in ceramics for the production of working moulds for both jiggering and slip casting

### PRODUCT BENEFITS

- + Working properties suitable for both casting of decorative plasterwork and the production of working moulds for ceramics
- + produces good strength fibrous plasterwork pieces
- + good reproduction of fine detail



### OTHER MARKETS

Ceramics

### APPLICATIONS

Fibrous plaster, Tableware

### TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Plaster to Water Ratio	
Plaster to Water Ratio (by weight)	1.79:1
Water to plaster ratio (by weight)	56%
Chemical Properties	
Chemical Composition	$\text{CaSO}_4 \cdot 1/2\text{H}_2\text{O}$
Colour	white
Setting Parameters	
Vicat Ring Fluidity (cm)	19
Initial setting time (minutes)	8
Final setting time (minutes)	12
Linear Expansion (%)	0,28
Mechanical Properties	
Brinell Hardness (MPa)	60
Dry compressive strength (Mpa)	22
Pore Volume (%)	30%
Physical Properties	
Particle Size (% weight retained)	3.5% at 150 $\mu\text{m}$ 13% at 90 $\mu\text{m}$ 23% at 63 $\mu\text{m}$ 40% at 32 $\mu\text{m}$
Loose bulk density (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )	960
Bulk density (compacted) kg / m <sup>3</sup>	1360

The technical data outlined represents typical figures only. For further details, please contact Saint-Gobain Formula directly.

### INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

Please use with the recommended plaster water ratio, with a mixing time of approx. 2 to 4 minutes. The precise consistency to use

will need to be adjusted to suit the individual application. Changes to plaster to water ratio will influence product performance particularly setting time and strength.

## PACKAGING AND SHELF LIFE

	Packaging Available	Shelf Life (Month)
Bag	25 kg	6 months

When stored under dry conditions and in its original packaging, the product will have a specified shelf life that commences from the date of manufacture that is displayed on each sack. Shelf life depends on the packaging type. For those products where a defined 'best before' date is applicable, BBE (Best Before End) followed by the date will be displayed on each sack.

## STORAGE

Plaster based products are not recommended for conditions where they are likely to be located externally or in any way subjected to weathering or excessive dampness.

Absorption of moisture can result in changes to physical properties, including a reduction in the set strength of plasters and also a lengthening of setting time.

Gypsum minerals can be affected by absorption of moisture and may change physical properties.

To help protect the product during use, open or part used bags should be carefully folded and closed. Each bag is date stamped and stocks should be rotated so that the oldest material is used first.

## CERTIFICATION



DOP n° NK001

## ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH AND SAFETY

Material Safety Data Sheets of Saint-Gobain

Formula plasters and gypsum minerals are available for all products and may be obtained directly on our website in the [product](#) and [documentation](#) sections.

No liability is accepted by Saint-Gobain Formula for injury to any person or loss or damage to property by improper use of the product.

## NOTIFICATION

The plaster to water ratios quoted are those used in Saint-Gobain Formula's standard test methods and are not necessarily those used in practice.

The precise consistency to use will need to be adjusted to suit the individual application. Changes to plaster to water ratio will influence product performance, particularly setting time and strength.

Unless otherwise stated, Saint-Gobain Formula's standard test methods apply. To obtain a copy of the test method, please contact Saint-Gobain Formula directly.

This literature cancels and replaces any previous document. All information given is provided in good faith and may be subject to change.

It's advisable to contact Saint-Gobain Formula in case of any doubt arising from the content of such information.

## CONTACT

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SAFETY DATA SHEET

(REACH regulation (EC) n° 1907/2006 - n° 2015/830)

SECTION 1 : IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE/MIXTURE AND OF THE COMPANY/UNDERTAKING

1.1. Product identifier

Product name : KERAMICAST

1.2. Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Keramicast is a formulated hemihydrate plaster, used in the production of fibrous plasterwork and GRG

1.3. Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Registered company name : Saint-Gobain Formula.

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http://www.saintgobainformula.com

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1.4. Emergency telephone number : 0344 892 0111 .

Association/Organisation : https://www.toxbase.org.

SECTION 2 : HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

In compliance with EC regulation No. 1272/2008 and its amendments.

This mixture does not present a physical hazard. Refer to the recommendations regarding the other products present on the site.

This mixture does not present a health hazard with the exception of possible occupational exposure thresholds (see paragraphs 3 and 8).

This mixture does not present an environmental hazard. No known or foreseeable environmental damage under standard conditions of use.

2.2. Label elements

In compliance with EC regulation No. 1272/2008 and its amendments.

No labelling requirements for this mixture.

2.3. Other hazards

The mixture does not contain substances classified as 'Substances of Very High Concern' (SVHC)  $\geq 0.1\%$  published by the European CHemicals Agency (ECHA) under article 57 of REACH: <http://echa.europa.eu/fr/candidate-list-table>

The mixture satisfies neither the PBT nor the vPvB criteria for mixtures in accordance with annexe XIII of the REACH regulations EC 1907/2006.

SECTION 3 : COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

3.2. Mixtures

Composition :

Identification	(EC) 1272/2008	Note	%
INDEX: PLATRE 1 CAS: 7778-18-9 EC: 231-900-3 REACH: 1-2119444918-26 CALCIUM SULPHATE		[1]	50 $\leq$ x % < 100

Information on ingredients :

[1] Substance for which maximum workplace exposure limits are available.

SECTION 4 : FIRST AID MEASURES

As a general rule, in case of doubt or if symptoms persist, always call a doctor.

NEVER induce swallowing by an unconscious person.

4.1. Description of first aid measures

In the event of splashes or contact with eyes :

Wash thoroughly with fresh, clean water for 15 minutes holding the eyelids open.

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If there is any redness, pain or visual impairment, consult an ophthalmologist.

### **In the event of splashes or contact with skin :**

Watch out for any remaining product between skin and clothing, watches, shoes, etc.

### **In the event of swallowing :**

Seek medical attention, showing the label.

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

No specific symptoms or effects have been reported.

### **4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**

No data available.

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## **SECTION 5 : FIREFIGHTING MEASURES**

Non-flammable.

### **5.1. Extinguishing media**

#### **Suitable methods of extinction**

Any means suitable for extinguishing surrounding fire.

#### **Unsuitable methods of extinction**

None.

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

None.

### **5.3. Advice for firefighters**

Special protective equipment for fire-fighters: None.

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## **SECTION 6 : ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

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

Consult the safety measures listed under headings 7 and 8.

#### **For first aid worker**

First aid workers will be equipped with suitable personal protective equipment (See section 8).

### **6.2. Environmental precautions**

Prevent any material from entering drains or waterways.

### **6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up**

Retrieve the product by mechanical means (sweeping/vacuuming) : do not generate dust.

### **6.4. Reference to other sections**

No data available.

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## **SECTION 7 : HANDLING AND STORAGE**

Requirements relating to storage premises apply to all facilities where the mixture is handled.

### **7.1. Precautions for safe handling**

Always wash hands after handling.

#### **Fire prevention :**

Prevent access by unauthorised personnel.

#### **Recommended equipment and procedures :**

For personal protection, see section 8.

Observe precautions stated on label and also industrial safety regulations.

#### **Prohibited equipment and procedures :**

No smoking, eating or drinking in areas where the mixture is used.

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

No data available.

#### **Storage**

Store dry

#### **Packaging**

Always keep in packaging made of an identical material to the original.

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**7.3. Specific end use(s)**

No data available.

**SECTION 8 : EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION**

**8.1. Control parameters**

**Occupational exposure limits :**

- ACGIH TLV (American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists, Threshold Limit Values, 2010) :

CAS	TWA :	STEL :	Ceiling :	Definition :	Criteria :
7778-18-9	10 (l) mg/m3				

- Germany - AGW (BAuA - TRGS 900, 21/06/2010) :

CAS	VME :	VME :	Excess	Notes
7778-18-9		6 A mg/m3		

- Belgium (Order of 19/05/2009, 2010) :

CAS	TWA :	STEL :	Ceiling :	Definition :	Criteria :
7778-18-9	10 mg/m3				

- France (INRS - ED984 :2012) :

CAS	VME-ppm :	VME-mg/m3 :	VLE-ppm :	VLE-mg/m3 :	Notes :	TMP No :
7778-18-9	-	10	-	-	-	-

- Spain (Instituto Nacional de Seguridad e Higiene en el Trabajo (INSHT), Mayo 2010) :

CAS	TWA :	STEL :	Ceiling :	Definition :	Criteria :
7778-18-9	10 mg/m3			e	

**Derived no effect level (DNEL) or derived minimum effect level (DMEL):**

CALCIUM SULPHATE (CAS: 7778-18-9)

**Final use:**

Exposure method:	Inhalation.
Potential health effects:	Short term systemic effects.
DNEL :	5082 mg of substance/m3

**Workers.**

Exposure method:	Inhalation.
Potential health effects:	Long term systemic effects.
DNEL :	21.17 mg of substance/m3

**Final use:**

Exposure method:	Ingestion.
Potential health effects:	Short term systemic effects.
DNEL :	11.4 mg/kg body weight/day

**Man exposed via the environment.**

Exposure method:	Ingestion.
Potential health effects:	Long term systemic effects.
DNEL :	1.52 mg/kg body weight/day

Exposure method:	Inhalation.
Potential health effects:	Short term systemic effects.
DNEL :	3811 mg of substance/m3

Exposure method:	Inhalation.
Potential health effects:	Long term systemic effects.
DNEL :	5.29 mg of substance/m3

**Predicted no effect concentration (PNEC):**

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Environmental compartment:	Waste water treatment plant.
PNEC :	100 mg/l

**8.2. Exposure controls**

**Appropriate engineering controls**

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Pictogram(s) indicating the obligation of wearing personal protective equipment (PPE) :



Use personal protective equipment that is clean and has been properly maintained.

Store personal protective equipment in a clean place, away from the work area.

Never eat, drink or smoke during use. Remove and wash contaminated clothing before re-using. Ensure that there is adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas.

### - Eye / face protection

Avoid contact with eyes.

Before handling powders or dust emission, wear mask goggles in accordance with standard EN166.

### - Hand protection

Wear suitable protective gloves in the event of prolonged or repeated skin contact.

### - Body protection

Work clothing worn by personnel shall be laundered regularly.

After contact with the product, all parts of the body that have been soiled must be washed.

### - Respiratory protection

Avoid breathing dust.

Type of FFP mask :

Wear a disposable half-mask dust filter in accordance with standard EN149.

## SECTION 9 : PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### 9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

#### General information :

Physical state : Powder or dust.

#### Important health, safety and environmental information

pH : Not relevant.

Boiling point/boiling range : Not relevant.

Flash point interval : Not relevant.

Vapour pressure (50°C) : Not relevant.

Density : Not stated.

Water solubility : Soluble.

Melting point/melting range : Not relevant.

Self-ignition temperature : Not relevant.

Decomposition point/decomposition range : Not relevant.

### 9.2. Other information

No data available.

## SECTION 10 : STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### 10.1. Reactivity

No data available.

### 10.2. Chemical stability

This mixture is stable under the recommended handling and storage conditions in section 7.

### 10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

No data available.

### 10.4. Conditions to avoid

Avoid :

- formation of dusts

### 10.5. Incompatible materials

No data available.

### 10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

No data available.

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## SECTION 11 : TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 11.1. Information on toxicological effects

No data available.

#### 11.1.1. Substances

##### Acute toxicity :

CALCIUM SULPHATE (CAS: 7778-18-9)

Oral route :

LD50 > 1581 mg/kg

Species : Rat

OECD Guideline 420 (Acute Oral Toxicity Fixed Dose Method)

Inhalation route (n/a) :

LC50 > 2.61 mg/l

Species : Rat

OECD Guideline 403 (Acute Inhalation Toxicity)

##### Skin corrosion/skin irritation :

CALCIUM SULPHATE (CAS: 7778-18-9)

Corrosivity :

No observed effect.

Species : Rabbit

OECD Guideline 404 (Acute Dermal Irritation / Corrosion)

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##### Serious damage to eyes/eye irritation :

CALCIUM SULPHATE (CAS: 7778-18-9)

Species : Rabbit

OECD Guideline 405 (Acute Eye Irritation / Corrosion)

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##### Respiratory or skin sensitisation :

CALCIUM SULPHATE (CAS: 7778-18-9)

Local lymph node stimulation test :

Non-Sensitiser.

Species : Guinea pig

OECD Guideline 406 (Skin Sensitisation)

Guinea Pig Maximisation Test (GMPT) :

Non-sensitiser.

Species : Guinea pig

OECD Guideline 406 (Skin Sensitisation)

Buehler Test :

Non-sensitiser.

Species : Guinea pig

OECD Guideline 406 (Skin Sensitisation)

##### Germ cell mutagenicity :

CALCIUM SULPHATE (CAS: 7778-18-9)

No mutagenic effect.

Mutagenesis (in vivo) :

Negative.

Species : Mouse

OECD Guideline 474 (Mammalian Erythrocyte Micronucleus Test)

Mutagenesis (in vitro) :

Negative.

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OECD Guideline 471 (Bacterial Reverse Mutation Assay)

**Carcinogenicity :**

CALCIUM SULPHATE (CAS: 7778-18-9)  
Carcinogenicity Test :

Negative.  
No carcinogenic effect.

**Reproductive toxicant :**

CALCIUM SULPHATE (CAS: 7778-18-9)  
No toxic effect for reproduction  
Study on development :

Species : Rat  
OECD Guideline 422 (Combined Repeated Dose Toxicity Study with the  
Reproduction / Developmental Toxicity Screening Test)

**11.1.2. Mixture**

No toxicological data available for the mixture.

**SECTION 12 : ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

**12.1. Toxicity**

**12.1.1. Substances**

CALCIUM SULPHATE (CAS: 7778-18-9)  
Fish toxicity :

LC50 > 79 mg/l  
Species : Others  
Duration of exposure : 96 h  
OECD Guideline 203 (Fish, Acute Toxicity Test)

Crustacean toxicity :

EC50 > 79 mg/l  
Species : Daphnia sp.  
Duration of exposure : 48 h  
OECD Guideline 202 (Daphnia sp. Acute Immobilisation Test)

Algae toxicity :

ECr50 > 79 mg/l  
Species : Selenastrum capricornutum  
Duration of exposure : 72 h  
OECD Guideline 201 (Alga, Growth Inhibition Test)

**12.1.2. Mixtures**

No aquatic toxicity data available for the mixture.

**12.2. Persistence and degradability**

**12.2.1. Substances**

CALCIUM SULPHATE (CAS: 7778-18-9)  
Biodegradability :

no degradability data is available, the substance is considered as not degrading quickly.

**12.3. Bioaccumulative potential**

Based on the n-octanol/water partition coefficient significant accumulation in organisms is not expected. No indication to bioaccumulation potential. The ecological data were measured on the hydrolysed product. According to experiences this product is inert and not degradable biologically.

**12.4. Mobility in soil**

Water-soluble solid. Natural constituent in soils. If product enters soil, it will be mobile and may contaminate groundwater

**12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**

This substance does not meet the criteria for classification as PBT or vPvB.

**12.6. Other adverse effects**

According to the criteria of the European classification and labelling system, the substance/the product has not to be labelled as dangerous for the environment.



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## SECTION 13 : DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Proper waste management of the mixture and/or its container must be determined in accordance with Directive 2008/98/EC.

### 13.1. Waste treatment methods

Do not pour into drains or waterways.

Waste codes / waste designations according to EWC

10 12 wastes from manufacture of ceramic goods, bricks, tiles and construction products

10 12 06 discarded moulds

### Waste :

Waste management is carried out without endangering human health, without harming the environment and, in particular without risk to water, air, soil, plants or animals.

Recycle or dispose of waste in compliance with current legislation, preferably via a certified collector or company.

Do not contaminate the ground or water with waste, do not dispose of waste into the environment.

### Soiled packaging :

Empty container completely. Keep label(s) on container.

Give to a certified disposal contractor.

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## SECTION 14 : TRANSPORT INFORMATION

Exempt from transport classification and labelling.

### 14.1. UN number

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### 14.2. UN proper shipping name

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### 14.3. Transport hazard class(es)

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### 14.4. Packing group

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### 14.5. Environmental hazards

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### 14.6. Special precautions for user

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## SECTION 15 : REGULATORY INFORMATION

### 15.1. Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

#### - Classification and labelling information included in section 2:

The following regulations have been used:

- EU Regulation No. 1272/2008 amended by EU Regulation No. 2016/1179. (ATP 9)

#### - Container information:

No data available.

#### - Particular provisions :

No data available.

### 15.2. Chemical safety assessment

No data available.

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## SECTION 16 : OTHER INFORMATION

Since the user's working conditions are not known by us, the information supplied on this safety data sheet is based on our current level of knowledge and on national and community regulations.

The mixture must not be used for other uses than those specified in section 1 without having first obtained written handling instructions.

It is at all times the responsibility of the user to take all necessary measures to comply with legal requirements and local regulations.

The information in this safety data sheet must be regarded as a description of the safety requirements relating to the mixture and not as a guarantee of the properties thereof.

### Abbreviations :

DNEL : Derived No-Effect Level

PNEC : Predicted No-Effect Concentration

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ADR : European agreement concerning the international carriage of dangerous goods by Road.

IMDG : International Maritime Dangerous Goods.

IATA : International Air Transport Association.

ICAO : International Civil Aviation Organisation

RID : Regulations concerning the International carriage of Dangerous goods by rail.

PBT: Persistent, bioaccumulable and toxic.

vPvB : Very persistent, very bioaccumulable.

SVHC : Substances of very high concern.