

MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

Mylar® Capillary Tubes

SECTION I – NAME AND PRODUCT

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Product Name: N51-A
Generic Name: Mylar®
Catalog Number: 270-108, 270-109, 270-110

SECTION II – PRODUCT INFORMATION

Material	CAS Number	%
Oriented polyester film. May contain a coextrusion layer. Various fillers or additives used to modify the physical appearance and/or surface properties may be present.		100
Base Film: Polyethylene Terephthalate	25038-59-9	55-100
PVdC Coating: Poly(Vinylidene Chloride/Methyl Methacrylate)		3-25
Coextrusion layer (if present): Isophthalate Copolymer	24938-04-3	8-20
The following Fillers and/or Additives may be present in one or more film types:		
Poly(Ethylene/Vinyl Acetate)		<25
Barium Sulfate	7727-43-7	<20
Titanium Dioxide	13463-67-7	<20
Styrene Block Copolymer		<5
Acrylic Polymer		<5
Polypropylene	9003-07-0	<5
Polyvinyl Alcohol	9002-89-5	<5
Silica	7631-86-9	<1
Silicone		<1
Carbon Black (only in black films)	1333-86-4	<1
Aluminum	7429-90-5	<1
Aluminum Oxide	1344-28-1	<1

Components (Remarks)

Material is not known to contain Toxic Chemicals under Section 313 of Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 and 40 CFR part 372.

SECTION III – PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL COMPOSITION

Form:	Transparent film
Color:	Colorless to black (depending on film type)
Odor:	Negligible
Melting Point:	~260 C (~500 F) (PET Base Film – coextrusion layer or coatings may melt at lower temperatures)
Solubility in Water:	Insoluble
Specific Gravity:	1.2-1.4
Vapor Pressure:	Negligible @ 20 C (68 F)

SECTION IV – FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Flammable Properties

Non-metalized films can be combusted only by remaining in contact with flame. If flame source is stationary, non-metalized films will shrink away and self-extinguish. Non-metalized film remaining in contact with flame can continue to burn slowly, dropping flame liquid which can spread the fire. Metalized films may support combustion if ignited.

Hazardous gases/vapors produced in fire are carbon dioxide, carbon monoxide, organic acids, aldehydes, alcohols, hydrogen chloride (HC1).

During processing, film may pick up a strong static charge. Avoid discharge into dust or solvent laden air as a flash fire or explosion may result.

Extinguishing Media

Water, Foam, Dry Chemical, CO2.

Fire Fighting Instructions

Keep personnel removed and upwind of fire. Wear self-contained breathing apparatus. Wear full protective equipment.

SECTION V – STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Chemical Stability:

Stable at normal temperatures and storage conditions.

Incompatibility with Other Materials:

Strong acids and bases may hydrolyze the film.

Avoid contact with strong oxidizing agents.

Decomposition:

Combustion can produce hydrogen chloride, carbon oxides and hydrocarbon oxidation products, including organic acids, aldehydes, alcohols ketones and acrolein.

Polymerization:

Polymerization will not occur.

SECTION VI – HEALTH HAZARD DATA/FIRST AID MEASURES/TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION
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Hazards Identification

Emergency Overview:

Appearance: Solid film
Odor: Odorless

No known health hazards at ambient temperature.
Read the entire MSDS for a more thorough evaluation of the hazards.

Potential Health Effects:

High temperature operations using “Mylar®” Films can produce fumes or vapors of decomposition products of polyethylene terphthalate, isophthalate polymer. The type and quantity of the fumes or vapors will vary based on temperature, time and other variables. These fumes or vapors may cause eye, nose, throat or respiratory irritation, or other effects such as headache.

Molten polymer can cause thermal burns.

Exposure to components used as fillers is not likely as these are encapsulated in the polymer and fully incorporated into the film.

Carcinogenicity Information:

The following components are listed by IARC, NTP, OSHA or ACGIH as carcinogens.

Material	IARC	NTP	OSHA	ACGIH
Titanium Dioxide				2B
Carbon Black (only in black films)				2B

First Aid Measures

Inhalation:

No specific intervention is indicated as the compound is not likely to be hazardous by inhalation.

However, if exposed to fumes from overheating or combustion, remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Call a physician if necessary.

Skin Contact:

The compound is not likely to be hazardous by skin contact but cleansing the skin after use is advisable.

If molten material gets on skin, cool rapidly with cold water. Do not attempt to remove material from skin. Obtain medical treatment for thermal burn.

Eye Contact:

In case of contact, immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Call a physician.

Ingestion:

Ingestion is not an expected route of exposure during normal use of the product. If ingested, consult a physician immediately.

Notes to Physicians:

Prolonged eye irritation may occur from pieces of debris sticking to the eyeball or eyelids.

Toxicological Information

Animal Data:

Polyethylene Terephthalate
Oral ALD: > 10,000 mg/kg in rats

Polyethylene Terephthalate is not a skin irritant, but is a mild eye irritant.

Toxic effects from short exposures by inhalation resulted in no adverse effects.

Toxic effects from short exposures by ingestion resulted in no adverse effects.

Animal testing indicates that Polyethylene Terephthalate does not have carcinogenic, mutagenic, developmental or reproductive effects.

SECTION VII –EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Engineering Controls:

General exhaust is acceptable except where overheating can occur during processing. High temperature operations may require use of local exhaust ventilation to keep employee exposure below recommended limits.

Movement of film over metal or rollers will produce a surface static charge on the film. Consider processing design and procedures that will reduce or dissipate this charge, and eliminate the possibility of unwanted electrical discharge to people, equipment and materials.

Personal Protective Equipment:

Eye/Face Protection: Wear safety glasses.

Respiratory
Protection: Respirators are not needed for normal use.

Where airborne concentrations are expected to exceed exposure limits, a NIOSH approved respirator should be selected based on the form and concentration of the contaminant in air and in accordance with OSHA Respiratory Protection Standard CFR 1910.134.

Protective Clothing: If there is potential for contact with hot/molten material, wear heat resistant impervious clothing and footwear.

Special protective clothing is not needed for normal use. Gloves are recommended as good industrial practice.

Exposure Guidelines:

Applicable Exposure Limits:

Polyethylene Terephthalate

PEL (OSHA): None Established
TLV (ACGIH): None Established
AEL * (DuPont): 10 mg/m³, 8 Hr. TWA, total dust
5 mg/m³, 8 Hr. TWA, respirable dust

Aluminum Oxide

PEL (OSHA): 15 mg/m³, total dust, 8 Hr. TWA
5 mg/m³, respirable dust, 8 Hr. TWA
TLV (ACGIH): 10 mg/m³, total dust, 8 Hr. TWA, A4
AEL * (DuPont): None Established

*AEL is DuPont's Acceptable Exposure Limit. Where governmentally imposed occupational exposure limits which are lower than the AEL are in effect, such limits shall take precedence.

SECTION VIII – ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES/ECOLOGICAL AND DISPOSAL INFORMATION

Safeguards (Personnel):

NOTE: Review FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES and HANDLING (PERSONNEL) sections before proceeding with clean-up. Use appropriate PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT during clean-up.

Spill Clean Up: Sweep up to avoid slipping hazard.

Ecotoxicological Information:

Aquatic Toxicity: No information is available. Toxicity is expected to be low based on insolubility in water.

Waste Disposal: Preferred options for disposal are (1) recycling, (2) incineration with energy recovery, and (3) landfill. The high fuel value of this product makes option 2 very desirable for material that cannot be recycled. Treatment, storage, transportation, and disposal must be in accordance with applicable federal, state/provincial, and local regulations.

SECTION IX – TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

Shipping Information:

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Proper Shipping Name: Not regulated.

SECTION X – REGULATORY INFORMATION

U.S. Federal Regulations:

TSCA Inventory Status: In compliance with TSCA Inventory requirements for commercial purposes.

Clean Air Act Status: This product does not contain, and is not manufactured with ozone depleting chemicals as defined in 58 FR 8136, February 11, 1993 (final rule).

State Regulations (U.S.):

CONEG STATUS: All "Mylar®" products are compliant with CONEG regulations; the sum of the concentrations of cadmium, chromium, lead and mercury does not exceed 100 ppm. None of these metals is used as an ingredient or processing aid.

SUBSTANCES ON THE PENNSYLVANIA HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE LIST THAT MAY BE PRESENT AT A CONCENTRATION OF 1% OR MORE (0.01% FOR SPECIAL HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES) – Barium Sulfate; Titanium Oxide (TiO₂); Carbon Black (black films only).

SUBSTANCES ON THE NEW JERSEY WORKPLACE HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE LIST THAT MAY BE PRESENT AT A CONCENTRATION OF 1% OR MORE (0.1% FOR SUBSTANCES IDENTIFIED AS CARCINOGENS, MUTAGENS OR TERATOGENS) – Barium Compounds; Titanium Dioxide; Carbon Black (black films only).

CALIFORNIA PROPOSITION 65 STATUS: The products described herein do not contain substances that require a warning pursuant to Propositions 65.

SECTION XI – HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling (Personnel)

Do not breathe vapors or fumes that may be evolved during processing.

Avoid skin contact with sharp film edges.

Handling (Physical Aspects)

Rolls of film may telescope. Use caution when handling.

Rolled film should be stored at intended processing temperature for approximately 24 hours prior to use.

Plastic packaging materials can pick up static charge. Polyester film rolls packaged with shrink-wrap (or other plastic overwrap) should be opened or unwrapped only in non-process areas where ignition sources such as solvents are not in use or in storage.

Storage

Store away from heat and sources of ignition. Do not store in direct sunlight. Avoid prolonged storage in high or low temperatures. Recommended storage temperatures are 20 F (-7 C) to 100 F (38 C).

SECTION XII – OTHER INFORMATION

NFPA, NPCA-HMIS

NFPA Rating
Health: 1
Flammability: 1
Reactivity: 0

NPCA-HMIS Rating
Health: 0
Flammability: 1
Reactivity: 0

Additional Information

MEDICAL USE:

CAUTION: Do not use in medical applications involving permanent implantation in the human body. For other medical applications see DuPont CAUTION Bulletin No. H-50102.

The data in this Material Safety Data Sheet relates only to the specific material designated herein and does not relate to use in combination with any other material or in any process.

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