

**MATES**  
Material Safety Data Sheet

**1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION**

**Rowmark, Inc.**  
2040 Industrial Drive  
Findlay, OH 45840  
USA

**EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS:**  
Medical: 911  
Poison Control: 800-589-3897

<u>Telephone Numbers</u>	<u>Phone Number</u>	<u>Available Hours</u>
Rowmark Customer Service	1-877-ROWMARK	7:00am-5:00pm EST
International	419-425-8974	

Product Name: MATES  
Product Synonym(s): Pre-adhesive plastic  
Chemical Family: Polymer  
Chemical Formula: Mixture  
Chemical Name: Mixture  
EPA Reg Number:  
Product Use: Signage, Other

**2. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

<u>Ingredient Name</u>	<u>CAS Registry Number</u>	<u>Typical Wt. %</u>	<u>OSHA</u>
Polyethylene Terephthalate	25038-59-9	>80	

The substance(s) marked with a "Y" in the OSHA column are identified as hazardous chemicals according to the criteria of the OSHA Hazardous Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200).

While this material is not classified as hazardous under Federal OSHA regulations, this MSDS contains valuable information critical to the safe handling and proper use of this product. This MSDS should be retained and available for employees and other users of this product.

The components of this product are all on the TSCA Inventory list.

### 3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

**Emergency Overview:**

APPEARANCE: Various colors; Characteristic odor

**Potential Health Effects:**

EYE: Solid or dust may cause irritation or corneal injury due to mechanical action.

SKIN: Essentially non-irritating to the skin. Mechanical injury only. Under normal processing conditions, material is heated to elevated temperatures; contact with the material may cause thermal burns. No adverse effects anticipated by skin absorption.

INGESTION: Very low toxicity if swallowed. Harmful effects not anticipated from swallowing small amounts.

INHALATION: Dust may cause irritation to upper respiratory tract (nose and throat).

### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

IF IN EYES: Flush eyes with plenty of water; remove contact lenses after the first 1-2 minutes then continue flushing for several minutes. Only mechanical effects expected.

IN CASE OF CONTACT: If molten material comes in contact with the skin, do not apply ice but cool under ice water or running stream of water. DO NOT attempt to remove the material from skin. Removal could result in severe tissue damage.

IF INHALED: Move person to fresh air; if effects occur, consult a physician.

### 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

**Fire and Explosive Properties**

Auto-Ignition Temperature: N/A

Flash Point: N/A

Flammable Limits: Upper: N/A

Lower: N/A

**EXTINGUISHING MEDIA:**

Use water spray, carbon dioxide, foam, sand or dry chemical.

**FIRE FIGHTING INSTRUCTIONS:**

Fire fighters and others who may be exposed to products of combustion should wear full fire fighting turn out gear (full Bunker Gear) and self-contained breathing apparatus (pressure demand NIOSH approved or equivalent). Fire fighting equipment should be thoroughly decontaminated after use.

**FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARDS:**

Heated material can form flammable vapors with air.

### 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

PROTECT PEOPLE: Chips or dust may present a slipping hazard.

CLEANUP: Sweep up chips or dust in a waste disposal container. Flush area with water.

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

**HANDLING:** Good housekeeping and controlling dusts are necessary for safe handling of product. Workers should be protected from the possibility of contact with molten resin during fabrication. Large masses of molten polymer held at elevated temperatures for extended periods of time may auto-ignite.

**STORAGE:** Store horizontally in a dry place.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

**EXPOSURE CONTROLS:** Adequate ventilation in work area is needed due to dust or vapors created during fabrication.

**PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE):**

**EYE/FACE PROTECTION:** Safety glasses or face shield should be used. If exposed to dust, chemical glasses may be required.

**SKIN PROTECTION:** No precautions other than clean body-covering clothing should be needed. Use insulated gloves for thermal protection, when desired.

**RESPIRATORY PROTECTION:** In dusty atmospheres, use an approved respirator.

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

**APPEARANCE/ODOR:** Various colors, characteristic odor

**BOILING POINT:** N/A

**VAPOR PRESSURE:** N/A

**VAPOR DENSITY:** N/A

**SPECIFIC GRAVITY:** N/A

## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**CHEMICAL STABILITY:** Stable

**CONDITIONS TO AVOID:** CO, CO<sub>2</sub>, organic acids, aldehydes and alcohols will form under fire conditions.

No data available

## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**MOVEMENT & PARTITIONING:** In the terrestrial environment, material is expected to remain in the soil. In the aquatic environment, material will sink and remain in the sediment.

**DEGRADATION & PERSISTENCE:** This water insoluble polymeric solid is expected to be inert in the environment. Surface photo degradation is expected with exposure to sunlight. No appreciable biodegradation is expected.

**ECOTOXICITY:** Not expected to be acutely toxic, but chips may mechanically cause adverse effects if ingested by waterfowl or aquatic life.

### 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Disposal must be in accordance with applicable governmental regulations.

### 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

No data available

### 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

(Not meant to be all-inclusive – selected regulations represented)

NOTICE: The information herein is presented in good faith and believed to be accurate as of the effective date shown above. However, no warranty, express or implied is given. Regulatory requirements are subject to change and may differ from one location to another; it is the buyer's responsibility to ensure that its activities comply with federal, state or provincial, and local laws. The following specific information is made for the purpose of complying with numerous federal, state or provincial, and local laws and regulations. See other sections for health and safety information.

#### U.S. REGULATIONS

No data available

#### CANADIAN REGULATIONS

No data available

### 16. OTHER INFORMATION

NFPA HAZARD RATING (National Fire Protection Association):

Fire	1	FIRE: Materials that must be preheated before ignition can occur.
Health	0	HEALTH: Materials that under emergency conditions would offer no hazard beyond that of ordinary combustible materials.
Reactivity	0	REACTIVITY: Materials that in themselves are normally stable, even under fire exposure conditions.
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REASON FOR ISSUE: