**SAFETY DATA SHEET**

**UHMWPE fibers from DSM Dyneema: Full Drawn Yarn**

### SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

1.1 Product identifier

- **Product name:** UHMWPE fibers from DSM Dyneema: Full Drawn Yarn
- **Internal code:** WW15265
- **Chemical product name:** Polyethylene.
- **Chemical formula:** Not applicable.

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

- **Recommended use:** ropes, nets, textile

1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

- **Supplier:** DSM Dyneema BV
  PO Box 1163, 6160 BD Geleen
  Mauritslaan 49, 6129 EL Urmond
  The Netherlands
  telephone + 31-(0)46-476 79 99
  E-mail: info.dyneema@dsm.com
  website http://www.dyneema.com

- **e-mail address of person responsible for this SDS:** Info.Worldwise@dsm.com

1.4 Emergency telephone number

- **Emergency telephone number:** Netherlands: +31 46 476 55 55
  Fax: +31 46 476 64 40

### SECTION 2: Hazards identification

2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

- **Product definition:** Mixture
- **Classification according to Directive 1999/45/EC [DPD]:**
  The product is not classified as dangerous according to Directive 1999/45/EC and its amendments.
  - **Classification:** Not classified.
  - **Physical/chemical hazards:** Combustible.
  - **Human health hazards:** Based on the available data of this product no hazardous properties are known.
  - **Environmental hazards:** Based on the available data of this product no hazardous properties are known.

2.2 Label elements

- **Hazard symbol or symbols:** Not applicable.
- **Indication of danger:** According to EU Directives 67/548/EEC and 1999/45/EC this product does not require labelling with symbols and/or R-phrases.
- **Safety phrases:** Not applicable.
- **Hazardous ingredients:** None known.

2.3 Other hazards

- **Other hazards which do not result in classification:** None known.

### SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

- **Substance/mixture:** Mixture

There are no ingredients present which, within the current knowledge of the supplier and in the concentrations applicable, are classified as hazardous to health or the environment, are PBTs or vPvBs or have been assigned a workplace exposure limit and hence require reporting in this section.

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SECTION 4: First aid measures

4.1 Description of first aid measures

Eye contact: Rinse with plenty of running water. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
Inhalation: Not applicable.
Skin contact: Wash with soap and water. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
Ingestion: If swallowed, rinse mouth with water (only if the person is conscious). Get medical attention if symptoms occur.

Protection of first-aiders: No action shall be taken involving any personal risk or without suitable training.

4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Potential acute health effects

Eye contact: No known significant effects or critical hazards.
Inhalation: No known significant effects or critical hazards.
Skin contact: No known significant effects or critical hazards.
Ingestion: No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Over-exposure signs/symptoms

Eye contact: The fibre is treated with a spin finish which contains components that may cause irritation to eyes and skin after prolonged contact.
Inhalation: Not applicable.
Skin contact: Entanglement with this high strength fibre can severely cut or sever fingers. Do not touch moving threadlines.
Ingestion: There is no known acute effect after over-exposure to this product.

4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Notes to physician: Treat symptomatically.
Specific treatments: No specific treatment.

SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

5.1 Extinguishing media

Small fire
Suitable: Use dry chemical or CO₂.

Large fire
Suitable: Use dry chemical powder. Alcohol-resistant foam.

5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Hazard from the substance or mixture: No specific hazard.
Hazardous combustion products: In case of fire, may produce hazardous decomposition products such as carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, (dense) black smoke, aldehydes, organic acids.

5.3 Advice for firefighters

Special protective actions for fire-fighters: No special measures required.
Special protective equipment for fire-fighters: Wear suitable protective clothing. Self-contained breathing apparatus.

SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

For non-emergency personnel: No action shall be taken involving any personal risk or without suitable training. Do not touch or walk through spill material.
For emergency responders: Specialised clothing is required to deal with the spillage, take note of any information in Section 8 on suitable and unsuitable materials. See also Section 8 for additional information on hygiene measures.

6.2 Environmental precautions: No special measures required.
6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Small spill: Vacuum or sweep up material and place in a designated, labelled waste container.

Large spill: Vacuum or sweep up material and place in a designated, labelled waste container. Recycle, if possible.

6.4 Reference to other sections
See Section 1 for emergency contact information.
See Section 8 for information on appropriate personal protective equipment.
See Section 13 for additional waste treatment information.

SECTION 7: Handling and storage

The information in this section contains generic advice and guidance. The list of Identified Uses in Section 1 should be consulted for any available use-specific information provided in the Exposure Scenario(s).

7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Protective measures: Use with adequate ventilation.

Advice on general occupational hygiene: Eating, drinking and smoking should be prohibited in areas where this material is handled, stored and processed. Workers should wash hands and face before eating, drinking and smoking. Remove contaminated clothing and protective equipment before entering eating areas. See also Section 8 for precautionary information on hygiene measures.

7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store in a fireproof location. Keep away from incompatible materials and avoid specific conditions (See section 10). Keep away from heat and direct sunlight. Keep the box closed.

7.3 Specific end use(s)

Recommendations: Not available.

Industrial sector specific solutions: Not available.

Remarks: Entanglement with this high strength fibre can severely cut or sever fingers. Do not touch moving threadlines. Never stack pallets and boxes more than two high to prevent the risk of them falling over. Take precautionary measures against electrostatic discharges.

SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

The information in this section contains generic advice and guidance. Information is provided based on typical anticipated uses of the product. Additional measures might be required for bulk handling or other uses that could significantly increase worker or exposure or environmental releases.

8.1 Control parameters

Occupational exposure limits: No exposure limit value known.

Recommended monitoring procedures: If this product contains ingredients with exposure limits, personal, workplace atmosphere or biological monitoring may be required to determine the effectiveness of the ventilation or other control measures and/or the necessity to use respiratory protective equipment. Reference should be made to monitoring standards, such as the following: European Standard EN 689 (Workplace atmospheres - Guidance for the assessment of exposure by inhalation to chemical agents for comparison with limit values and measurement strategy) European Standard EN 14042 (Workplace atmospheres - Guide for the application and use of procedures for the assessment of exposure to chemical and biological agents) European Standard EN 482 (Workplace atmospheres - General requirements for the performance of procedures for the measurement of chemical agents) Reference to national guidance documents for methods for the determination of hazardous substances will also be required.

DNELs/DMELs: No DNELs/DMELs available.

PNECs: No PNECs available

8.2 Exposure controls

Appropriate engineering controls: Use only with adequate ventilation.

Individual protection measures

Hygiene measures: When using do not eat, drink or smoke. Wash hands after handling compounds and before eating, smoking and using the lavatory and at the end of the day.

Eye/face protection: No special protection is required.

Hand protection: No special protection is required.
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**Remarks:**
The fibre is treated with a spin finish which contains components that may cause irritation to eyes and skin after prolonged contact.

Advice on personal protection is applicable for high exposure levels. Select proper personal protection based on a risk assessment of the actual exposure situation.

### SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

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

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#### 9.2 Other information

### SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

#### 10.1 Reactivity
No specific test data related to reactivity available for this product or its ingredients.

#### 10.2 Chemical stability
Stable under recommended storage and handling conditions (see Section 7).

#### 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions
Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous reactions will not occur.

#### 10.4 Conditions to avoid
Keep away from heat, sparks and flame. Temperatures above the melting point.

#### 10.5 Incompatible materials
Strong oxidising materials
10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

No specific data.

SECTION 11: Toxicological information

11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity

Conclusion/Summary

Not available.

Acute toxicity estimates

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Irritation/Corrosion

Conclusion/Summary

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Sensitisation

Conclusion/Summary

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Mutagenicity

Conclusion/Summary

Not available.

Carcinogenicity

Conclusion/Summary

Not available.

Reproductive toxicity

Conclusion/Summary

Not available.

Teratogenicity

Conclusion/Summary

Not available.

Potential acute health effects

Eye contact

No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Inhalation

No specific data.

Skin contact

No specific data.

Ingestion

No specific data.

Remarks

UHMWPE filaments from DSM Dyneema were tested according to the draft protocol ECB/TM/1(00) rev.2, Draft-4, Length weighted geometric mean diameter of fibres. The length weighted geometric mean diameter, when adjusted for two standard errors, was in the range 17.93 and 18.32 micrometers. The observed diameter of the fibres is too large to produce respirable fibres. So UHMWPE fibres from DSM Dyneema will never reach the deeper part of the respiratory tract and fibrogenic or carcinogenic effects on the lung will not occur.
SECTION 12: Ecological information

12.1 Toxicity
Conclusion/Summary: Not available.

12.2 Persistence and degradability
Conclusion/Summary: Not available.

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12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

12.4 Mobility in soil
Soil/water partition coefficient ($K_{OC}$): Not available.
Mobility: Not available.

12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment
PBT: Not applicable.
vPvB: Not applicable.

12.6 Other adverse effects
Remarks: No known significant effects or critical hazards.

SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

The information in this section contains generic advice and guidance. The list of Identified Uses in Section 1 should be consulted for any available use-specific information provided in the Exposure Scenario(s).

13.1 Waste treatment methods
Product
Methods of disposal: Waste must be disposed of in accordance with national and local environmental regulations.
Hazardous waste: Within the present knowledge of the supplier, this product is not regarded as hazardous waste, as defined by EU Directive 91/689/EEC.

Packaging
Methods of disposal: The generation of waste should be avoided or minimised wherever possible. Waste packaging should be recycled. Incineration or landfill should only be considered when recycling is not feasible.
Special precautions: This material and its container must be disposed of in a safe way. Empty containers or liners may retain some product residues. Avoid dispersal of spilt material and runoff and contact with soil, waterways, drains and sewers.

SECTION 14: Transport information

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14.6 Special precautions for user

**Transport within user’s premises:** always transport in closed containers that are upright and secure. Ensure that persons transporting the product know what to do in the event of an accident or spillage.

14.7 Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code

Remarks: Not regulated

**SECTION 15: Regulatory information**

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

EU Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 (REACH)

Annex XIV - List of substances subject to authorisation

Annex XIV

None of the components are listed.

Substances of very high concern

None of the components are listed.

Annex XVII - Restrictions on the manufacture, placing on the market and use of certain dangerous substances, mixtures and articles

Not applicable.

15.2 Chemical Safety Assessment

No Chemical Safety Assessment has been carried out.

**SECTION 16: Other information**

Classification according to Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008 [CLP/GHS]

Not classified.

Procedure used to derive the classification according to Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008 [CLP/GHS]

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Full text of abbreviated H statements: Not applicable.

Full text of classifications [CLP/GHS]: Not applicable.

Full text of abbreviated R phrases: Not applicable.

Full text of classifications [DSD/DPD]: Not applicable.

Alterations compared to the previous version: Alterations compared to the previous version are marked with a little (blue) triangle.

Abbreviations and acronyms:

- ATE = Acute Toxicity Estimate
- CLP = Classification, Labelling and Packaging Regulation [Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008]
- DMEL = Derived Minimal Effect Level
- DNEL = Derived No Effect Level
- EUH statement = CLP-specific Hazard statement
- PBT = Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic
- PNEC = Predicted No Effect Concentration
- RRN = REACH Registration Number
- vPvB = Very Persistent and Very Bioaccumulative

Sources of key data: Literature data and/or investigation reports are available through the manufacturer.

Internal code: WW15265

Training advice: Before handling this substance/preparation, the personnel involved should be instructed by means of this safety data sheet.

Notice to reader:
The information contained in the Safety Data Sheet is based on our data available on the date of publication. The information is intended to aid the user in controlling the handling risks; it is not to be construed as a warranty or specification of the product quality. The information may not be or may not altogether be applicable to combinations of the product with other substances or to particular applications.

The user is responsible for ensuring that appropriate precautions are taken and for satisfying themselves that the data are suitable and sufficient for the product's intended purpose. In case of any unclarity we advise consulting the supplier or an expert.

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