

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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## TRADE NAME

ZOLTEK™ PX CARBON FIBER

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

### 1.1 Product identifier

<b>Product name</b>	ZOLTEK™ PX Carbon Fiber
<b>Synonyms</b>	n/a
<b>Chemical family</b>	carbon fiber
<b>Product description</b>	continuous, split-tow (Kassen), chopped, milled carbon fiber or fabric

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

<b>1.2.1 Relevant uses</b>	industrial applications
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<b>1.2.2 Uses advised against</b>	none known
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### 1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

<b>Company</b>	Zoltek Companies, Inc. 3101 Mckelvey Road St. Louis, MO 63044 USA (314) 291-5110 www.zoltek.com
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<b>E-mail enquiry</b>	<a href="mailto:sds@zoltek.com">sds@zoltek.com</a>
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<b>1.4 Emergency telephone number</b>	+1 (314) 291-5110 8AM-5PM / M-F
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## SECTION 2: Hazards Identification

### 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

**Product definition** article

#### 2.1.1 Classification according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 [CLP]

not classified

#### 2.1.2 Classification according to Regulation 67/548/EEC or 1999/45/EC

**Hazard symbols** none

**R-phrases** none

The product does not require a hazard warning label, in accordance with OSHA HazCom and EC-directives

### 2.2 Label elements

#### Labeling according to Regulation 67/548/EEC or 1994/45/EC

**Hazard symbols** none

**R-phrases** none

**S-phrases** none

**Special labeling** not applicable

### 2.3 Other hazards

**Physio-chemical hazards** see SECTION 10  
In the supplied form the product itself is not explosive at all; however, the build-up of fines and dust can lead to a risk of dust explosions.

**Human health dangers** see SECTION 11 and below

**Eye** Dust may cause temporary irritation.

**Skin** Dust may cause mild irritation. In some cases, the dust may cause allergic skin reactions.

**Inhalation** Dust may cause mild irritation.

**Environmental hazards** see SECTION 12

**Other hazards** This product and its dusts are electrically conductive

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### SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

**3.1 Product-type** article

<u>Component</u>	<u>CAS. #</u>	<u>EC #</u>	<u>%</u>
Carbon fiber (carbon) / polyacrylonitrile (PAN)-based (Nitrogen)*	7440-44-0 (7727-37-9)	231-153-3 (231-783-9)	91-100 (0-7%)
(Oxygen)* <i>*as part of carbon fiber</i>	(7782-44-7.)	(231-956-9)	(0-2%)
Sizing	proprietary	n/a	0-9

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### SECTION 4: First aid measures

#### 4.1 Description of first aid measures

<b>General information</b>	not applicable
<b>Inhalation</b>	Remove from the area of the dust to fresh air. Seek medical attention if you feel unwell.
<b>Skin contact</b>	Remove by tapping skin with adhesive surface material, such as Scotch® clear cellophane tape Wash affected areas thoroughly with soap and water.
<b>Eye contact</b>	Flush eyes with water for 15 minutes.
<b>Ingestion</b>	In the event of deliberate ingestion, do not induce vomiting unless directed to do so by consulting with a doctor.

#### 4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and displayed

no data available

#### 4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment

no data available

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### SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

#### 5.1 Extinguishing media

<b>Suitable extinguishing media</b>	normal firefighting media and procedures
<b>Unsuitable extinguishing media</b>	dependent on processing plant conditions

## 5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or media

airborne fibers are electrically conductive  
CO<sub>2</sub>, CO and a minute amount of N<sub>2</sub>, HCN and H<sub>2</sub>O vapors  
may be formed during combustion

## 5.3 Advice for firefighters

self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA)

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## SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

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

6.1.1 For non-emergency personnel not applicable

6.1.2 For emergency responders not applicable

6.2 Environmental precautions not applicable

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

6.3.1 For containment In case of spill, collect the spilled materials. If the material is not contaminated, put it into a clean container and it can be reused. Otherwise, dispose of it properly.

6.3.2 For cleaning up Because the dust is electrically conductive and may become airborne, clean up with a vacuum. If an electrical appliance is used, take the steps necessary to avoid the risk of electrical shock.

### 6.4 Preventative measures against second disasters

Remove possible sources of ignition in the surrounding area

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## SECTION 7: Handling and storage

7.1 Precautions for safe handling No special measures necessary if used properly.

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

Airborne particles and filaments should be controlled so as to minimize skin irritation and electrical shorts in switch gears, etc. due to conductivity of fiber.

Do not store together with oxidizing agents

7.3 Specific end use(s) see section 1.2

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## SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

### 8.1 Control parameters

#### Occupational exposure limits

OSHA and ACGIH (USA) have not established air contamination for carbon fibers. Under certain conditions this substance may be a nuisance dust. OSHA has an established standard for particulates not otherwise regulated (nuisance dust) set at 5 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (respirable fraction) and 15 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (total dust). ACGIH has established an exposure value of 3 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (respirable fraction) and 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (total).

Japan Society of Occupational Health sets 0.5mg/m<sup>3</sup> limit for inhalation dust and 2.0mg/m<sup>3</sup> as the total dust that are classified as "Class 1 dust" by the Japanese regulation (2011)

NHFPC (PRC) has an established standard for carbon fiber's particulates not otherwise regulated set at 6mg/m<sup>3</sup> ESTL (total dust) and 3mg/m<sup>3</sup> TWA (total dust),

Belgium has established an Occupational Exposure Limit for carbon fiber as 2 fiber/cm<sup>3</sup> TWA.

### 8.2 Exposure controls

**8.2.1 Appropriate engineering controls** local exhaust for airborne fiber removal.

#### 8.2.2 Personal protection equipment

**8.2.2.1 Eye and face protection** safety glasses

#### 8.2.2.2 Skin protection

**Hand protection** protective gloves

**Other skin protection** Recommend garments (i.e. long pants and long sleeve shirts) to eliminate possible skin irritation

**8.2.2.3 Respiratory protection** Personal dust respirators applicable if high degree of fiber fly is experienced.

**8.2.2.4 Thermal hazards** not applicable

**8.2.3 Environmental exposure controls** see SECTION 6 & 7

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## SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

### 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

<b>Appearance</b>	black fiber
<b>Odor</b>	odorless
<b>pH</b>	not applicable
<b>Melting point / freezing point</b>	~ 3,500°C
<b>Initial boiling point and boiling range</b>	not applicable
<b>Flashpoint</b>	not applicable
<b>Evaporation rate</b>	not applicable
<b>Flammability (solid, gas)</b>	not applicable
<b>Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits</b>	not applicable
<b>Vapor pressure</b>	not applicable
<b>Vapor density</b>	not applicable
<b>Specific gravity (relative density)</b>	1.81 (H <sub>2</sub> O @ 4°C = 1.00)
<b>Solubility(ies) water</b>	negligible (dispersible)
<b>Partition coefficient n-octanol/water</b>	not applicable
<b>Auto ignition temperature</b>	not applicable
<b>Decomposition temperature (in Air)</b> sizing preparation; carbon fiber;	>240°C >650°C
<b>Viscosity</b>	not applicable
<b>Explosive properties:</b>	potential for weak explosion with milled fiber or dusts Class St 1* / <50 K <sub>st</sub> (bar·m/s) <small>*OSHA CPL 03-00-008 – Combustible Dust National Emphasis Program</small>
<b>Oxidizing properties</b>	not applicable
<b>9.2 Other information</b>	no other information available

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## SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

<b>10.1 Reactivity</b>	see SECTION 10.3
<b>10.2 Chemical stability</b>	stable under normal ambient and anticipated storage and handling conditions of temperature and pressure
<b>10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions</b>	can react with strong oxidizing agents
<b>10.4 Conditions to avoid</b>	see SECTION 7
<b>10.5 Incompatible materials</b>	see SECTION 10.3

## 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

Products of combustion and decomposition will depend on other materials present in the fire and the fire conditions. Burning will produce CO<sub>2</sub>, CO, and minute amounts of N<sub>2</sub>, HCN and H<sub>2</sub>O.

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## SECTION 11: Toxicological information

### 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity	no data available
Skin corrosion/irritation	no data available
Serious eye damage/irritation	no data available
Respiratory or skin sensitization	no data available
Germ cell mutagenicity	no data available
Carcinogenicity	no data available
Reproductive toxicity	no data available
STOT-single exposure	no data available
STOT-repeated exposure	no data available
Aspiration hazard	not an inhalation hazard filament diameter >3 $\mu$ m / non-respirable (IARC)

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## SECTION 12: Ecological information

12.1 Toxicity	not data available
12.2 Persistence and degradability	no data available
12.3 Bioaccumulative potential	no data available
12.4 Mobility in soil	no data available
12.5 Results of PBT and nPvB assessment	no data available
12.6 Other adverse effects	ecological data not available

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## SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

### 13.1 Waste treatment methods

Waste materials must be disposed of in accordance with the Directive on waste 2008/98/EC and any other applicable national or local regulations.

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**SECTION 14: Transport information**

<b>14.1 UN number</b>	see SECTION 14.2
<b>14.2 UN proper shipping name</b>	not Dangerous Goods ADR/RID (land) ADN (inland navigation) IMDG (marine)
<b>14.3 Transport hazard class(es)</b>	see SECTION 14.2
<b>14.4 Packing group</b>	see SECTION 14.2
<b>14.5 Environmental hazards</b>	see SECTION 14.2
<b>14.6 Special precautions to user</b>	see SECTION 6 to 8
<b>14.7 Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC code</b>	not applicable

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**SECTION 15: Regulatory information**

<b>15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture</b>	
<b>TSCA Status</b>	Exempt - satisfies 'article' definition under 40 CFR 704.3
<b>15.2 Chemical safety assessment</b>	has not been carried out

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**SECTION 16: Other information**

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## Abbreviations and acronyms

ADN = Accord européen relative au transport international des marchandises dangereuses par voie de navigation intérieure

ADR = Accord européen relative au transport international des marchandises Dangereuses par Route

CAS = Chemical Abstracts Service

CLP = Classification, Labelling and Packaging

EEC = European Economic Community

EINECS = European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances

ELINCS = European List of Notified Chemical Substances

IBC-Code = International Coder for the Construction and Equipment of Ships carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk

IMDG = International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods

MARPOL = International Convention for the Prevention of Marine Pollution from Ships

OSHA = Occupational Safety and Health Administration

PBT = Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic substance

RID = Règlement concernant le transport international ferroviare de marchandises dangereuses

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