

Control Of Substances Hazardous To Health (COSHH)

Metrotiles and accessories may be considered to be inert since the emulsified resins used in the coating process are oven cured in manufacture. Normal care should be taken in handling, cutting and bending to avoid cuts or abrasions to the hands. Operatives may prefer to wear gloves.

The following schedule lists the chemical components of the emulsions, which are applied to a zincalume substrate.

Composite Material Used in Manufacture	Risk		
Nature	None		
Steel	None		
Aluminum	None		
Zinc	Inflammable as a powder		
Mathacrylate	Irritant as a powder		
Calcium Carbonate	None		
Barium Sulphate	None		
Calcium Floride	None		
Iron Oxide	None		
Titanium Oxide	None		
Mica	None		
Zinc Oxide	None		
2.2.4 Trimethyl 1.3 Pentanediol	None		
Monoisobutyrate	None		
Hydroxyethyl Cellulose	None		
Metallic Soaps	None		

CDM Design Risk Assessment

Activity	Hazard	Risk	Risk Level	Design Option/ Control	Residual Risk	Comments / Action
	Cutting tiles	Injury to eyes and other parts of body.	High	Cut using a guillotine not abrasive wheel.	Medium	Ensure gloves worn, to pro- tect from sharp edges.
		Dust and noise problems.	High	Dust and noise min- imal	Low	
		Damage to tiles	High	Less risk of acci- dental damage.	Low	Use competent operators
		Fire Risk	Medium	Minimal fire risk	Low	
Special Adap- tations (Vents, ridges etc)	Damage to existing tiles.	Costly remedial work, fall of material	High	Cutting Metrotiles is sim- ple and has low damage risk. Cut material is easily controlled.	Low	Take care with sharp edges
	Complex adapta- tions	Damage, time consum- ing opera- tions.	Medium	Use purpose built modules.	Low	Use com- petent fixers