

### PRODUCT DATA FOR CERTIFICATION

## **MINERAL PLUS**

BREEAM (Building Research Establishment Environmental Assessment Methodology) International New Construction¹ is a voluntary standard that defines high performance green buildings which are healthier, more environmentally responsible and more profitable structures. Using independent assessors, BREEAM examines criteria covering a range of issues in sections that evaluate: management processes, health and wellbeing, energy, transport, water, materials, waste, land use and ecology, pollution and innovation.

**KNAUF INSULATION** products can put you on the right track to get the highest result for certification.

BREEAM - Credit Category code	Assessment Criteria and Definition	Knauf Insulation Products contribution	Contributes towards
Hea 02 Indoor air quality	Emissions from building products: the insulation materials are one of the 5 product types that needs to meet the emission limits. The following requirements are of application for insulation products:  Formaldehyde ≤ 0.06 mg/m³;  Total Volatile Organic Compounds ≤1.0 mg/m³;  Carcinogens category 1A and B ≤ 0.001 mg/m³	MINERAL PLUS products without any added formaldehyde are in compliance with the higher category (A+) of the French labelling system and with the requirements of the Eurofins Gold² for Indoor Air Comfort, see annexe 1.	1 credit
	Emissions from building products: the insulation materials are one of the 5 product types that could meet the emission limits for <b>exemplary level</b> emission criteria. The following requirements are of application: Formaldehyde ≤ 0.01 mg/m³; Total Volatile Organic Compounds ≤0.3 mg/m³; Total Semi-volatile Organic Compounds ≤0.1 mg/m³; Carcinogens category 1A and B ≤ 0.001 mg/m³	MINERAL PLUS products are in compliance with the requirements for exemplary level as without any added formaldehyde and certified Eurofins Gold for Indoor Air Comfort, see annexe 1.	1 credit exemplary level
	Post-construction indoor air measurement: the total volatile organic compound and formaldehyde are measured and reported (thresholds for formaldehyde concentration level ≤ 100µg/m³ over 30 minutes and for averaged TVOC≤ 300µg/m³ over 8 hours).	MINERAL PLUS products without any added formaldehyde and certified Eurofins Gold for Indoor Air Comfort are helping to stay at a very low concentration level.	1 credit
Hea 04 Thermal comfort	To ensure that appropriate thermal comfort levels are achieved through design, and controls are selected to maintain a thermally comfortable environment for occupants	Through the insulation level, insulation products contribute to the comfort level (heating and cooling) as required and in accordance to ISO 7730:2005. Thermal modelling can be facilitated through Knauf Insulation expertise and available databases	1 credit

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Technical manual : SD233 – 1.0:2016 <sup>2</sup> www.product-testing.eurofins.com



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Hea 05 Acoustic performance	To insure the building's acoustic performance, including sound insulation, meets the appropriate standards for its purpose	Products performance aims to reduce indoor ambient noise level and reverberation times in order to comply with regulations or good practices standards.	1 credit
Ene 01 Reduction of energy use and carbon emissions	To recognize and encourage buildings designed to minimise operational energy demand, primary energy consumption and CO2 emissions.	MINERAL PLUS products help reducing the 3 parameters: operational energy demand, primary energy consumption and CO2 emissions through the improving of energy building performance (e.g. Uvalue) in accordance with EPBD best practices and ASHRAE standard 90.1-2013 or 90.2-2007 (as applicable).	15 credit
ENE 04 Low carbon design	To encourage the adoption of design measures, which reduce building energy consumption and associated carbon emissions and minimise reliance on active building services systems.	MINERAL PLUS products contribute to implement passive design solutions that reduce building energy demand and associated carbon emissions.	1 credit
Ene 05 Energy efficiency cold storage	Energy efficient design, installation and commissioning: To encourage the installation of energy efficient refrigeration systems, therefore reducing operational greenhouse gas emissions. The building has been designed to minimize heat loads through high levels of insulation.	MINERAL PLUS products can contribute to high insulation efficiency in the design options.	1 credit
Mat 01 Life cycle impacts	To encourage the use of robust and appropriate life cycle assessment tools and specification of construction materials with a low environmental impact over the full life cycle of the building	The Environmental Products Declarations <sup>3</sup> (EPDs) are available and 3rd party verified against EN 15804, this allows to maximise points through Mat 01 calculator and contribute to reach the target of 5 products (10 products for exemplary level) with EPDs for additional points (with confirmation of use on the construction site at Post-Construction Stage)	1 credit + 1 credit exemplary level

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> https://www.knaufinsulation.com/downloads/environmental-product-declaration-epd/mineral-plus https://ibu-epd.com/



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Mat 03 Responsible sourcing of construction products	To recognize and encourage the specification and procurement of responsibly sourced construction (RSC) products. Insulation Products with more than 50% recycled content (BREEAM Guidance note18.v3.1 – 2018).	Products comply with RSC as they have minimum 50% and up to 80% recycled content (external cullet), see annexe 2. The key process is also covered by EMS (ISO 14001) which allows to meet the criterion of responsible sourced construction (RSC) products.	3 credit
MAT 06 Material efficiency	To recognise and encourage measures to optimise material efficiency in order to minimise the environmental impact of material use and waste without compromising on structural stability, durability or service life of the building. This includes procuring materials with higher levels of recycled content.	MINERAL PLUS products contains up to 80% (*) of recycled components (external cullet) and contribute therefore to minimise the environmental impact of insulation.	1 credit
Wst 01 Construction waste management	To promote resource efficiency via the effective and appropriate management of construction waste.	Packaging's (wood and plastics) and products itself are recyclable. Products cut-offs can also be used to fill some remaining tiny holes on working site. Mineral wool waste can be reused or recycled no matter the age or type.	3 credit
WST 06 Functional adaptability	To recognise and encourage measures taken to accommodate future changes of uses of the building over its lifespan, this includes the use of products or systems which allow easy replacements.	MINERAL PLUS products and technical principle of implementations may allow easy replacements of each component (Outside and/or inside use) and facilitate future adaptations or insulation reuse.	1 credit
Pol 05 Noise attenuation	To reduce the likelihood of noise, arising from fixed installations on the new development, affecting nearby noise-sensitive buildings.	Attenuation of noise by use of insulation mineral wool absorbers.	1 credit



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Annexe 1: Hea 02: Indoor Air Quality

Here below the Eurofins Indoor Air Comfort Gold Certificate:





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#### Annexe 2: Mat 03 Responsible sourcing of Mineral Wool with ECOSE

Material Category	Key Process	Key Supply Chain Process
Insulation		
Foam Insulation	Insulation manufacture	Main polymer production, e.g. Polystyrene, MDI, Phenolic resin or equivalent
Stone wool, glass & cellular glass made using < 50% recycled input	Product manufacture	Any quarried or mined mineral over 20% of input
Wool	Product manufacture	Wool scouring
Products using > 50% recycled content except those using timber	Product manufacture	Recycled content by default
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Here below additional detailed information<sup>4</sup> by production site about yearly average recycled content of the mineral wool products.

	Vise (Belgium)	Lannemezan (France)	Eskisehir (Turkey)	Krupka (Czech Republic)	Bernburg (Germany)
Total recycled content	80.4%	62.9%	78.2%	66.7%	50%

On the next page, please find the ISO 14001 certificate for Key Process.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Data 2018



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