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#### 1 Material Classifications in IMDS

#### 1.1 Introduction

The classification system for materials in MDSs is a mixture of composition (substances in the material) and production [class. 1-4, 7]; property [class. 5]; and application [class. 6, 8, 9] of the material. Materials should preferably be classified according to their composition/properties and not according to their application. However, polymeric materials that fit into a 6.x classification, should preferably be assigned to that classification instead of a 5.x classification. Materials in electronic applications should preferably be classified according to their composition (e.g. copper instead of electronics). The classification should be as detailed as possible, for example, if possible, avoid classification 1.1 but use 1.1.1 or 1.1.2 instead.

Every homogeneous material has to be described as a separate material. "Homogeneous" means that there is a consistent material composition which cannot be separated mechanically into two or more different materials. "Mechanical separation" here means that it is generally possible to separate materials by means of cutting, trimming and abrasion. Homogeneous materials are for example plastics, metals, alloys and coatings.

Materials such as metals with a coating (example: plated galvanized steel or copper wire with PVC coating) or layered composition materials (example: copper over-molded with polymer) are most likely not homogeneous and each layer needs to be described as a separate material with appropriate classification of each material, e.g. classification 3.3 for zinc coatings.

An elemental breakdown of materials is not allowed. All materials also need to be reported as they appear on the vehicle. For example, if describing a polymer, you need to describe it in the cured state and not describe the processing chemicals (solvents and monomers etc.) which are not present in final state. If you do include a gas, liquid, or processing chemical as a basic substance, you need to verify that it is still present in the final (hardened and dried up) part as used in a vehicle.

Many of the metal materials have been published in IMDS by the IMDS Committee. Before creating your own material in these classifications, please check if there is an appropriate material already published by the IMDS Committee. Do not use materials published by other suppliers unless they are your supplier. In cases where there is an IMDS Committee material and a supplier material published for the same material, the IMDS Committee material should preferably be used. To find IMDS Committee materials, use the search function for materials and check "published MDSs" for origin to find these materials.

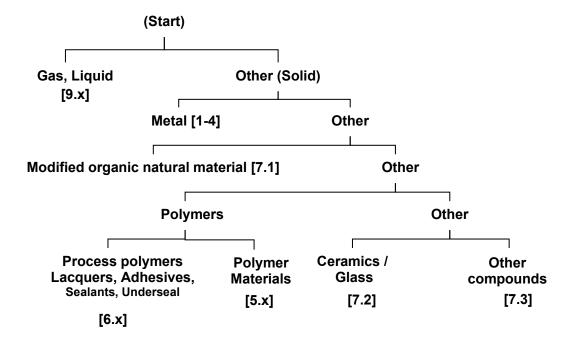
In the following sections, information on each classification and examples are included. It is important to note that given thresholds reflect common concentrations which might deviate in special materials.

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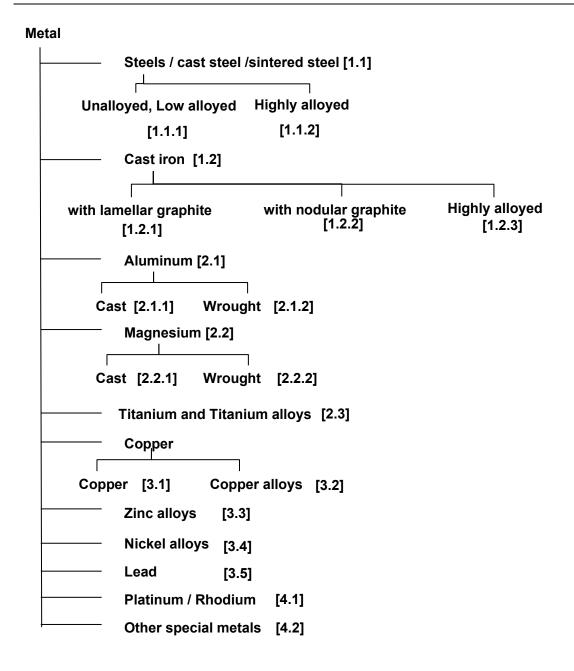
## 1.2 Flow chart for selecting classification

For reducing variation in selecting VDA classification, the order of judgement is introduced below.





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## 1.3 Classification table

Classification	Definition	Example / Designation
0 Undefined	This classification cannot be used.	
1 Steel and iron materials	This classification cannot be used.	
1.1 Steels / cast steel / sintered steel	This classification should be used only when classifications 1.1.1 and 1.1.2 are not appropriate, for example for sintered steel.	Sint-D01 P1011Z
	Sintered materials with both metal oxides and metals do not fit in this classification, for example ceramic magnets.	
1.1.1 Unalloyed, low alloyed	A content of at least 95% iron is expected. Generally, the content is above 98%.	DC 01 SPCC
1.1.2 Highly alloyed	There are two definitions for highly alloyed steels. In IMDS, the second definition is generally understood to be the "right one"  1. If the content of at least one alloying element is above 5% you speak of highly alloyed steel.  2. Highly alloyed steel consists of less than 95% iron and more than 5% further metallic alloying components.	X30Cr13 S42000 SUS420
1.2 Cast iron	This classification cannot be used. However, legacy data can be continued to be used.	
1.2.1 Cast iron with lamellar graphite / tempered cast iron	Lamellar graphite is composed of lamellae, a thin flat scale, membrane, or layer of graphite (carbon) as opposed to nodular, which is approximately spherical.	EN-GJL-100 FC100
1.2.2 Cast iron with nodular graphite / vermicular cast iron	Nodular graphite flakes are used in approximately spherical cast iron part.	EN-GJS-400-15 FCD400-15



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Classification	Definition	Example / Designation
1.2.3 Highly alloyed cast iron		EN-GJSA-XNiCr20-2 (Synonym: EN-JS 3011) FCDA-NiCr 20 2
2 Light alloys, cast and wrought alloys	This classification cannot be used.	
2.1 Aluminum and aluminum alloys	This classification should be used only when classifications 2.1.1 or 2.1.2 are not appropriate, for example for aluminum coatings	
2.1.1 Cast aluminum alloys	Aluminum alloys produced by being poured into a mold while in liquid form.	EN AC-AIMg9 ADC5
2.1.2 Wrought aluminum alloys	Aluminum alloys fashioned or shaped to a desired form by a gradual process of cutting hammering, scraping, pressing or stretching.	EN AW-AIMg1,5 A5005 Foil
2.2 Magnesium and magnesium alloys	This classification should be used only when classifications 2.2.1 or 2.2.2 are not appropriate, for example for coatings.	
2.2.1 Cast magnesium alloys	Magnesium alloys produced by being poured into a mold while in liquid form.	EN-MCMgAl5Mn MDC4
2.2.2 Wrought magnesium alloys	Magnesium alloys fashioned or shaped to a desired form by a gradual process of cutting, hammering, scraping, pressing or stretching.	Class 2 (Synonym: MGA2)
2.3 Titanium and titanium alloys		Titanium unalloyed (Grade 3) TTH480
3 Heavy metals, cast and wrought alloys	This classification cannot be used.	
3.1 Copper (e.g. copper amounts in cable harnesses)	This classification should be used for pure copper with a content of more than 99 % of copper.	Copper (Controlled Oxygen) C1100



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Classification	Definition	Example / Designation
3.2 Copper alloys	This classification should be used for copper fused with smaller amounts of other metals.	CuAl5As BCuP-5
3.3 Zinc alloys	This classification should be used for zinc, zinc alloys and zinc coatings.	Zinc (Type II, anodes), zinc- nickel, zinc-iron, Zn99.95
3.4 Nickel alloys	This classification should be used for nickel, nickel alloys and nickel coatings.	Nickel Alloy (ACI CZ-100) NW2200
3.5 Lead	This classification should be used when there is almost 100% of lead in a material, for example in accumulators, lead coatings, solders with more than 80 % of lead.	Lead and lead compounds in batteries PEPb-1
4 Special metals	This classification cannot be used.	
4.1 Platinum / Rhodium	This classification should be used for platinum and rhodium metals or alloys, for example in engine catalysts	Refined platinum (99.95) Pt
4.2 Other special metals	This classification should be used for all metals or metal alloys which cannot be classified in the other 1.x-4.x classifications.  This classification should not be used for metal oxides	Gold, silver, tungsten, elemental silicon, tin, solder
5 Polymer materials	This classification cannot be used.	
5.1 Thermoplastics	This classification cannot be used.	



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Classification	Definition	Example / Designation		
5.1.a Filled Thermoplastics  This classification should be used for thermoplastic materials containing 5% or more substantisted in the IMDS group Fillers/reinforcing materials and		definiti	e.g. according to the n in ISO 1043-2. es for filler symbol s:	
	used as filler.	Symbol	Material	Form / Structure
		BD	Boron	powder
		CD	Carbon, Graphite	powder
		CF	Carbon	fiber
		DD	Alumina trihydrate	powder
		ED	Clay	powder
		GB	Glass	beads, spheres, balls
		GF	Glass	fiber
		GM	Glass	mat (thick)
		GS	Glass Calcium	flake
		KD	Carbonate	powder
		MD	Mineral, Metal	powder
		MF	Mineral, Metal	fiber
		AF	Aramid	fiber
		SD	Synthetic organic	powder
		TD	Talcum	powder
		WD	Wood	powder
		WF	Wood	fiber



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5.1.b Unfilled Thermoplastics	This classification should be used for thermoplastic materials containing less than 5% substances used as filler.	According to ISO 1043-1 & PA Nomenclatur	6-1 for	
	Substances used as illier.			
		ABAK	PBAK	POB
		ABS	PBT	POM
		ACS	PC	Polyether
		AEPDS	PCTA	PP
		AES	PCTFE	PPA
		AMMA	PDCPD	PPE
		APAO	PE	PPOX
		ASA	PE-C	PPS
		EEAK	PE-HD	PPSU
		EMA	PE-LLD	PS
		ETFE	PE-LD	PSU
		EVAC	PE-LMD	PTFE
		EVOH	PE-MD	PPT
		FEP	PE-UHMW	PVAC
		LCP	PEBA	PVAL
		MBS	PEEK	PVC
		MMABS	PEEKK	PVC-C PVCAC
		PA6 PA66	PEEST PEI	PVCAC
		PA66/6	PEK	PVDF
		PA46	PEKEKK	PVF
		PA69	PEKK	PVFM
		PA11	PEOX	PVK
		PA12	PES	PVP
		PA610	PET	SAN
		PA612	PFA	SMAH
		PA6T/MPMDT	PFEP	SMS
		PAE	PFF	VCE
		PAEK	PIS	VCEMAK
		PAI	PIR	VCEVAC
		PAN	PK	VCMAK
		PAR	PMI	VCMMA
		PARA	PMMA	VCOAK
		PAS	PMMI	VCVAC
		PAT	PMP	VCVDC
		PB	PMS	



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Classification	Definition	Example / Designation		
5.2 Thermoplastic	materials which act like elastomers	According to the definition in I 18064		
Elastomers		Nomenclature samples:		
		AEM+TPC-ET	TPU-ARCE	
		TPA-EE	TPU-AREE	
		TPA-ES	TPU-ARES	
		TPA-ET	TPU-ARET	
		TPC-EE	TPV-(ACM+PP)	
		TPC-ES	TPV-(ENR+PP)	
		TPC-ET	TPV-(EPDM+PE)	
		TPC-ET+AEM	TPV-(EPDM+PP)	
		TPC-ET+EMAK	TPV-(NBR+PP)	
		TPC-ET+PBT		
		TPC-ET+PBT-I	TPV-(NR+PP)	
		TPC-ET-I	TPV-(ENR+PP)	
		TPO-(EPDM+PP)	TPV-(IIR+PP)	
		TPO(EPM+PP)	TPV- (SEBS/oil+PP)	
		TPS-SBS	TPZ-(NBR+PVC)	
		TPS-SEBS	TPZ- (PVC/plasticizer +PVC)	
		TPS-SEPS	TPZ-(PE-C)	
		TPS-SIS	TPZ- (Fluoropolymer)	
		TPU-ALES	TPZ-(Ionomer, ethylene-acrylic acid copolymer group)	
		TPU-ALET	TPZ-(Syn.1,2-BR	



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Classification	Definition	Example	/ Designa	ition
Classification 5.3 Elastomers	Definition  Elastomers are materials that can be deformed by stressing and compression. They return to their original configuration after removing the stress.	According 1629 Nomencla ABR ACM AEM AFMU ANM AU BIIR BIMS BR BR-E CIIR CM	to the desture sample EU EVM FEPM FKM FKM FVMQ FZ FZ-P GCO GECO	Inition in ISO  Dles:  NOR  NR  OT  PBR  PE-Si  PMQ  PSBR  PUR-Si  PVMQ  PZ  PZ-P  SBR
		CM CO CR	GECO GPO HNBR	SBR SEBS SEBM
		CSM	IIR	SEPM
		EBM	IM	SIBR
		ECO	IR	SIS
		ENR	MQ	S-SBR
		EOM	MSBR	VMQ
		EOT	NBIR	XBR
		EPDM	NBM	XCR
		EPM	NBR	XNBR
		E-SBR	NIR	XSBR
	This placeification correct he word			
5.4 Duromers	This classification cannot be used Legacy data can be continued to be used.			
5.4.1 Polyurethane	Polyurethane are materials with polyols and isocyanates as precursor (process chemicals). The quality could be hard and brittle or soft and elastic depending on production process.	PUR		



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Classification	Definition	Example	/ Desigr	nation	
5.4.2 Unsaturated polyester	Unsaturated polyester are polyester resins made of unsaturated and saturated dicarboxylic acids and diols.	UP resin			
5.4.3 Other	This classification should be used	Nomenclature samples			
duromers	for all duromers that cannot be classified under 5.4.1 or 5.4.2.	CA	EC	MPF	
	classified drider 5.4.1 or 5.4.2.	CAB	EP	PVE	
		CABPMA	PVAC	PDAP	
		CAP	CF	PAK	
		CEF	CS	PF	
		CF	CSF	PI	
		CMC	EP	PVB	
		CN	FF	UF	
		СР	MC		
		CTA	MF		
5.5 Polymeric compounds (e.g. inseparable laminated trim parts)	This classification cannot be used.				
5.5.1 Plastics (in polymeric compounds)	This classification cannot be used. Legacy data can be continued to be used.				



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Classification	Definition	Example / Designation	
5.5.2 Textiles (in polymeric compounds)	Textiles are flexible materials consisting of a network of natural or artificial fibers. This includes fibers, yarns, cloth and knitted fabrics.'	According to the definition in ISO 2076, use classification 5.5.2 for polymer fibres only. For natural fibre textiles defined in ISO 6938, use classification 7.1. For glass and carbon fibres use classification 7.2 and 7.3 respectively.  Nomenclature samples:  ALG-Fibre EL-Fibre AR-Fibre MAC-Fibre PA-Fibre CLF-Fibre PAN-Fibre CLY-Fibre PE-Fibre CMD-Fibre PE-Fibre CTA-Fibre PI-Fibre CTA-Fibre PI-Fibre CUP-Fibre PP-Fibre CV-Fibre PT-Fibre PT-Fibre CV-Fibre PT-Fibre PT-Fibre CV-Fibre PT-Fibre PT-Fibre	
6 Process polymers	This classification cannot be used.	ED-Fibre PVAL-Fibre	
6.1 Lacquers	This classification should be used for clear or colored synthetic organic coatings that typically dry to form a film by evaporation of the solvent.  The substances must be given in their final cured state - dried and without solvents.	Lacquers, paint, topcoat, powder coating	



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Classification	Definition	Example / Designation
6.2 Adhesives, sealants	This classification should be used for adhesives, bonding agents, adhesion promoter and highly filled thermally or electrically conductive materials.  The substances must be given in their final cured state - dried and without solvents and hardener.  This classification should not be used for solders or complete textile adhesives tapes which consist of accord materials.	Adhesives, hot melt adhesives, adhesion promoters, glue, die attach adhesive
6.3 Underseal	several materials.  This classification should be used for materials used to protect underbody or junctions from corrosion, mainly consisting on a PVC basis.  The substances must be given in their final cured state - dried and without solvents.  This classification should not be used for anti-corrosion agents and waxes.	Sealers
7 Other materials and material compounds (scope of mixture)	This classification cannot be used.	
7.1 Modified organic natural materials (e.g. leather, wood, cardboard, cotton fleece)	This classification should be used for materials deriving from organic natural materials which could be treated with a chemical or physical procedure (finishing) without changing quality and composition.  This classification should not be used for natural rubber, latex, graphite, activate carbon and minerals.	Leather, wood, particular board, chipboard, fiberboard, paper, cardboard, natural fibres according to ISO 6938 like cotton, wool, hemp



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Classification	Definition	Example / Designation
7.2 Ceramics / glass	This classification should be used for UVCB materials like glass, silicate ceramic and enamel as well as technical ceramics such as ferrites, silicon carbides and boron nitride.	PCB ceramic, glass fiber, metal oxides, ferrite, glass wool, aluminum nitride, titanium nitride, titan nitride coating, chromium nitride coating, aluminum nitride coating, tungsten carbide
7.3 Other compounds (e.g. friction linings)	This classification should only be used for solid materials which do not fit into any other category.	Diamond, DLC (Diamond Like Carbon), quartz, carbon fiber, active carbon, graphite, friction materials, cerment, minerals, semi-conductors like Si/GaAswafers, some coatings (passivation, chromate film, phosphate, CVD, PVD)
8 Electronics / electrics	This classification cannot be used.	
8.1 Electronics (e.g. pc boards, displays)	This classification cannot be used. Legacy data can be continued to be used.	
8.2 Electrics	This classification cannot be used. Legacy data can be continued to be used.	
9 Fuels and auxiliary means	This classification cannot be used.	
9.1 Fuels	This includes materials, which are used as fuels such as petrol (gasoline), diesel and hydrogen.	Petrol, gasoline, diesel, hydrogen
9.2 Lubricants	This includes all materials, that are used as lubricants	Oil, grease, fat, wax, MoS
9.3 Brake fluid	This includes all materials that are used as brake fluid in braking systems.	Brake fluid
9.4 Coolant / other glycols	This classification should be used for coolants in absorbers, oil coolers and cooling systems of electrical HV accumulators.	Ethylene glycol
9.5 Refrigerant	This classification should be used for coolants in air conditions.	R134a, R1234yf, carbon dioxide



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9.6 Washing water, battery acids	This classification should be used for water-based materials with additives to clean windows and headlights and for battery acids.	Water, washer fluid, sulfuric acid
9.7 Preservative	This classification should be used for materials that are used as corrosion protective agents on metal surfaces or biocidal coatings that are applied in an aqueous matrix (i.e. not embedded in a polymer).  This classification should not be used for zinc coatings, wax layers and underseals.	Anticorrosion oil
9.8 Other fuels and auxiliary means	This classification should be used for all materials that do not fit in any other classification	Filling gas, ignitable compounds, electrolytes, urea

#### 1.4 Special Materials

This section lists some special categories of materials and how they should be classified.

#### 1.4.1 Composite materials

A composite material is a homogeneous material that consists of two or more materials to be classified as different classification, in the case of single use. If a composite material has a specific matrix material, the classification should be chosen based on the matrix material. If not, it should be classified as 7.3. The matrix material should not be hidden by a Joker even if the filler material is 90wt% or more. Example see section 1.4.2 Magnetic materials.

For composite materials in a matrix (Classification 5.x) a symbol is optional.

#### 1.4.2 Magnetic materials

In a metallic magnet, the alloying elements must be listed. In the case of a metallic magnet, none of the basic substances should contain oxygen (be a metal oxide). The material classification should be selected based on the material composition.

- Metallic magnets should be classified in one of the classifications 1-4 that best fits the composition. For permanent magnets/magnetically hard materials, classification 4.2 is usually used (e.g. rare earth based alloys such as Sm-Co 5)
- For ceramic magnets, the basic substances have to be given as metal oxides. They should be classified in 7.2.



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 Metal powders or metal oxides can also be used within a plastic matrix. In this case, the correct classification for the plastic matrix should be used (see section 1.4.1 -Composite materials).

A typical example of a magnetic composite material in a matrix is rubber with magnetic materials. Here rubber is the matrix, so classification should be 5.3 even if portion of rubber is around 8% (less than 10%)

#### 1.4.3 Carbon fiber and glass fiber in polymeric matrix

A carbon/glass fiber reinforced polymer cannot be considered as a homogenous material. It consists of carbon/glass filaments that are combined to a carbon/glass fiber cloth. This cloth gets covered by a polymer. That is, it should consist of at least two materials. One material for the carbon/glass fiber that should be classified as 7.3 for carbon and 7.2 for glass. A second material for the polymer which should be classified according to its property.

This should not be mixed up with a polymer which contains carbon or glass short fibers used as a filler or carbon black used as a pigment. Those materials are homogeneous and have to be classified according the property of the plastic matrix.

#### 1.4.4 Coatings

Coatings should either be classified according to:

- their main constituent, that is Zn, Al, Cu, Ni, Au and Sn
- 6.1 (Lacquers)
- 7.2 (Ceramics / glass)
- 7.3 (Other compounds (e.g. friction linings))

References in parenthesis are to the IMDS recommendation where these coatings are discussed further.

Below coatings should be classified according to their main constituent:

- Hot dip coatings (IMDS 007)
- Metallic e-plate (electrolytically deposited) coatings (IMDS 007 and IMDS 008)
- Electroless plating coatings (IMDS 008)

Below coatings should classified according to 6.1 (Lacquers):

- Sealant film coatings (IMDS 008)
- Coatings which matrix is a polymer

Below coatings should classified according to 7.2 (Ceramics / glass)

- Nitrides (titan, chromium, aluminium)
- Carbides

Below coatings should classified according to 7.3 (Other compounds (e.g. friction linings)):

- Passivation coatings (IMDS 008)
- Chromate film coatings
- Phosphate coatings (IMDS 011)
- DLC (diamond like carbon)
- CVD (chemical vapour deposition)



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PVD (physical vapour coating)

## 2 Further guidance

This section lists some examples.

# 2.1 Specific Requirements for Automotive Lubricants – Material Classification 9.2

#### Definition:

Automobile lubricants are products that are applied directly in the vehicle and remain throughout the entire vehicle life cycle (life-span of the lubricant) or are replaced during the life cycle by fresh oils/greases. These are not process lubricants like such as hydraulic oils for operating presses; heat transfer oils for operating hot-oil facilities; cooling lubricants for operating tools; corrosion protection oils which are not to be reported.

#### Structure:

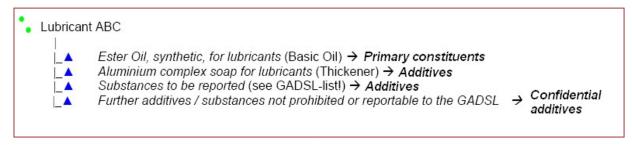
The MDS representing the lubricant must be created:

- According to the final composition in the automobile (for example in the case of lubricant sprays, evaporated solvents are not to be included)
- According to Recommendation IMDS 001 rules and guidelines
- As material type MDS (not as components or semi-components), containing: basic substances, confidential substances and/or jokers / wildcards (highly confidential substances).
  - <u>Primary constituent</u>: present in the lubricant in high quantities; the primary constituents must be reported, irrelevant of their presence on the GADSL list (reportable substances).
  - Additives: present in the lubricant in smaller quantities; consist of at least one basic substance or a mix of primary constituents.
  - <u>Confidential additives</u>: are high confidential substances, which are not declarable or prohibited according to GADSL, not an SVHC, do not appear on a Renault list, or do not require an application code and where disclosure is not demanded (See definition of Jokers/Wildcards in Rec001).

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The following figure represents a typical MDS structure for a lubricant (Material Classification 9.2):

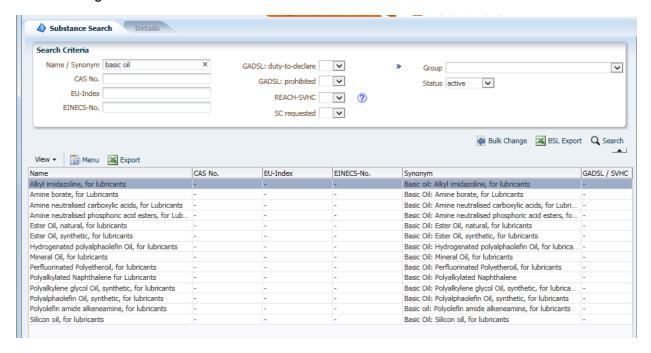


### Primary Constituent – Oils:

For creation of automotive lubricants, there are primary constituent available in the category of "Basic Oils". These substances do not contain any substance that is declarable or prohibited according to GADSL, an SVHC, appears on the Renault BGO list, or requires an application code.

If your oils contain such kind of substances, they have to be reported separately.

The following is a result of a substance search "basic oil" in the Name Field.



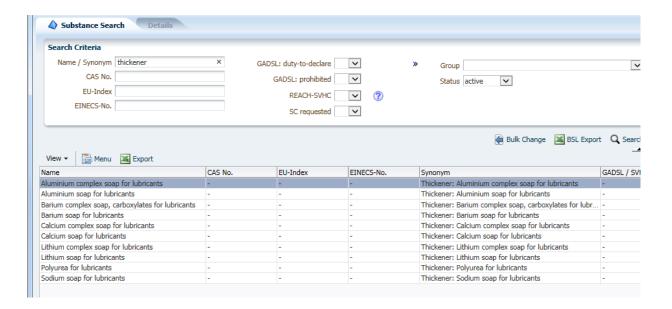
#### Primary Constituent – Thickeners:

For creation of automotive lubricants, there are primary constituent available in the category of "Thickener". These substances do not contain any substance that is declarable or prohibited according to GADSL, an SVHC, appears on the Renault BGO list, or requires an application code. If your thickeners contain such kind of substances, they have to be

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reported separately. The following is a result of a substance search "thickener" in the Name Field.



#### Range Values

The range values of the basic substances must meet the requirements of Recommendation 001.

#### **Change Management:**

Material data sheets released prior to a new version of Recommendation 001 that changed permitted range values are not required to be reworked to change the Range Values.

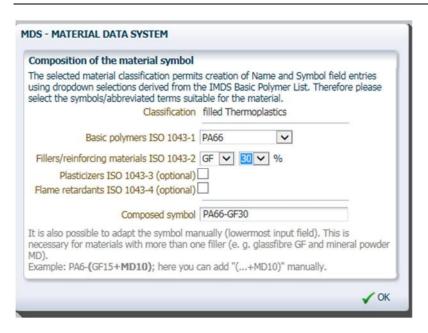
# 2.2 Additional information on the creation of MDSs for Thermoplastics – Material Classifications 5.1.x

A Thermoplastic polymer compound is a homogenous mixture of a basic polymer and functional additives (e.g. fillers, plasticizers, flame retardants etc.). When creating material MDSs for a thermoplastic (material classification 5.1.x), a wizard will guide you through the symbol creation process in order to achieve the correct symbol of the polymer material.



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After completing the wizard, you need to select the substances (e.g. *basic polymers* and functional additives) from the basic substance list.

Should you have more than one filler, you can adjust the Composed Symbol with the necessary information on this screen or edit the symbol on the ingredients page. The percentage (%) of fillers in the pull-down menu is represented in increments of 5%. If you are using a range for the filler content, select the percentage that falls within the range of substance. If you are using a fixed filler content that does not fit in the preselected 5% increments, you can edit this number either directly in the wizard or later on the ingredients page of the MDS. However, the 5% increment is generally seen as accurate enough for the symbol.

In the basic substance list, you can find:

- Basic polymers according to ISO 1043-1 by searching for "basic polymer" in the name field
- *Impact-modified basic polymers* according to ISO 1043-1 by searching for "basic polymer impact modified" in the name field
- Fillers according to ISO 1043-2 by searching for "ISO 1043-2" in the name field
- Plasticizers according to ISO 1043-3 by searching for "ISO 1043-3" in the name field
- Flame retardants according to ISO 1043-4 by searching for "ISO 1043-4" in the name field

These ISO 1043 type entries must not be used in place of declarable or prohibited substances (see GADSL [suppliers to Renault: BGO list]), an SVHC or if they require an application code.

Any of those colorants, fillers, plasticizers or flame retardants must be listed separately.

In Thermoplastics, it is possible to have sub-materials. These sub-materials are usually masterbatches or concentrates (basic polymers with colorants/pigments, flame retardants,



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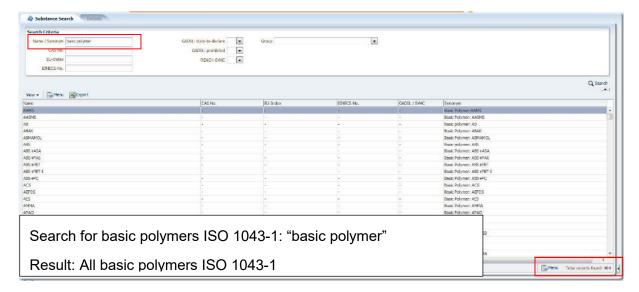
etc.). Sub-materials are normally used in materials in amounts of 1 to 5%. Consequently, the substances contained in these types of sub-materials are typically diluted in the top-level material to a level of 0.5 to 3%. If a thermoplastic material consists of sub-materials, any restrictions concerning the substance ranges and sum of wildcards and confidential substances do not apply to the sub-materials but are calculated with regard to the topmost material level (cf. IMDS 001, Rule 5.1.A and fig. 7, p. 24).

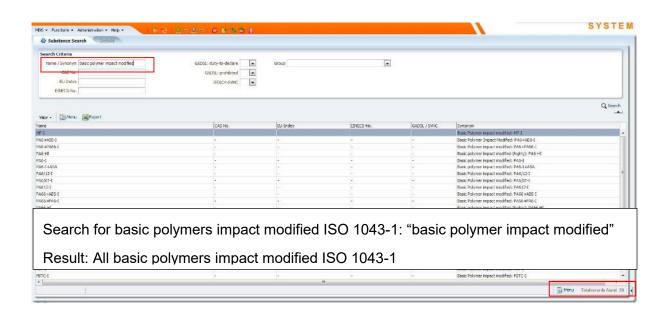


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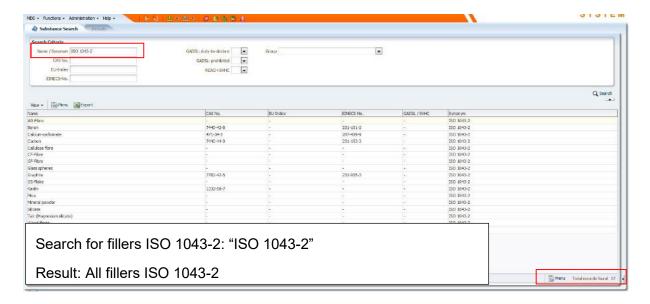
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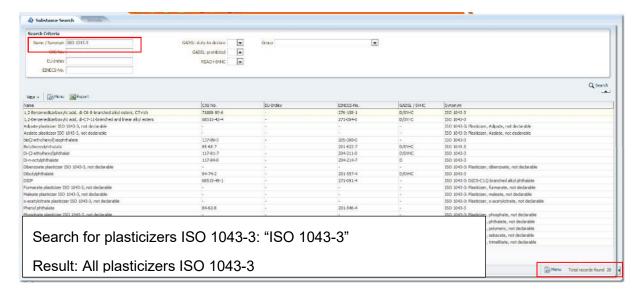






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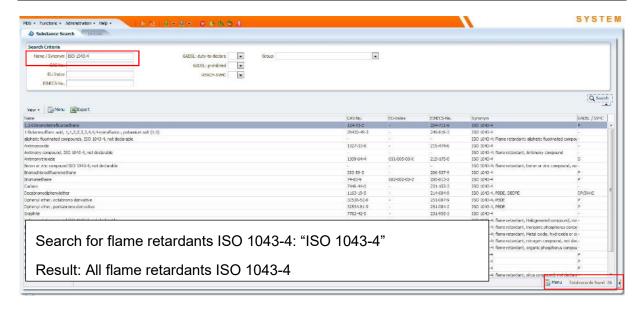






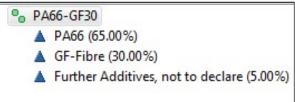
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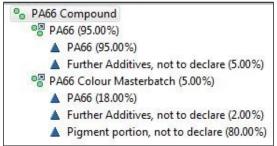


## **Examples for thermoplastic MDSs:**

Thermoplastics consisting of basic substances:



#### Thermoplastics consisting of sub-materials:

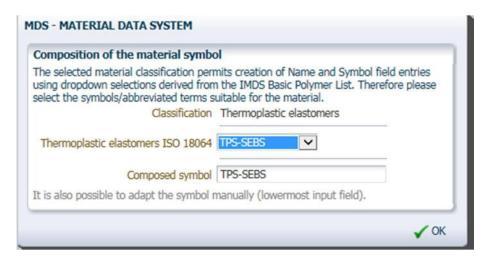


# 2.3 Additional information on the creation of MDSs for Thermoplastic Elastomers – Material Classification 5.2

A Thermoplastic Elastomer (TPE) compound is a homogenous mixture of a TPE material and functional additives. When creating an MDS of a TPE material (material classification 5.2), a wizard will guide you through the creation process in order to achieve a correct symbol for the TPE compound.

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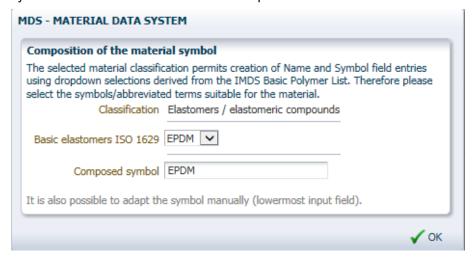
After completing the wizard, you need to select the substances (like *basic thermoplastic elastomers* and functional additives) from the basic substance list.

Basic thermoplastic elastomers are listed in the basic substance list under their ISO 18064 symbols. You can find them in the substance list by searching for "thermoplastic elastomer" in the name field.

For complex composed TPE products, the working procedure is the same as for complex composed elastomers/elastomeric compounds (see 2.4).

# 2.4 Additional information on the creation of MDSs for Elastomers/Elastomeric Compounds – Material Classification 5.3

Elastomers/elastomeric compounds are a homogenous mixtures of a base rubber material and functional additives. When creating a material MDS for an elastomer/elastomeric compound (material classification 5.3), a wizard will guide you through the creation process in order to achieve a correct symbol for the elastomer/elastomeric compound.



After completing the wizard, you need to select the substances (like *basic rubbers* and functional additives) from the basic substance list.



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Basic rubbers are listed under their ISO 1629 symbols. You can find them in the basic substance list by searching for "basic rubber" in the name field.

# 2.5 MDS creation for Complex Products of Thermoplastics, TPEs and/or Elastomers

Complex products composed of thermoplastics, thermoplastic elastomers and/or elastomers/elastomeric compounds (e.g. fuel hoses) are constructed as shown below for an example elastomer/elastomeric compound.

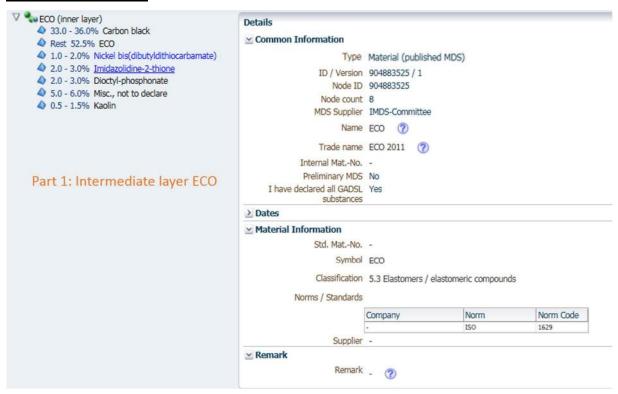
For complex composed elastomers/elastomeric compounds that contain different rubber or plastic materials (e.g. a fuel hose with inner layer, intermediate layer, outer layer and a fiber reinforcement between the layers), it is recommended to add each contained material beneath a semi-component describing the composite product. The top level semi-component is not a homogenous material and should be described as shown below. The different components of the product can be described as materials.

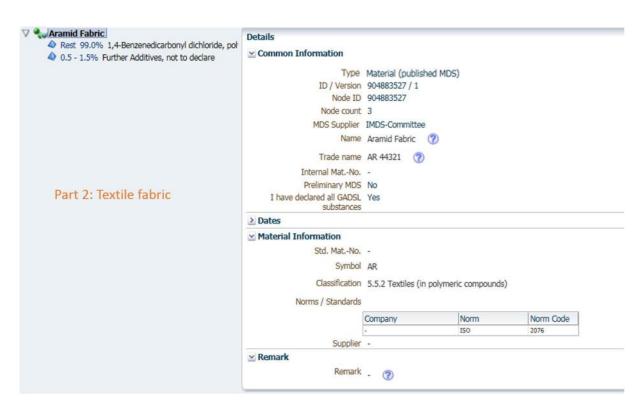


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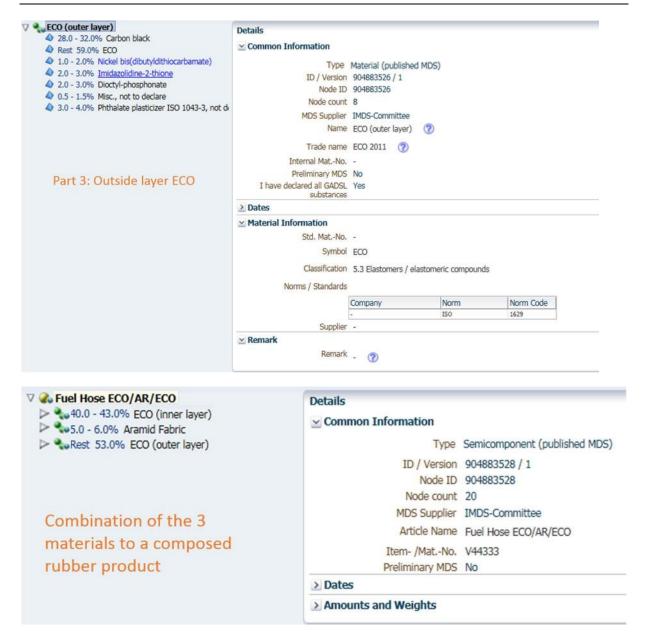
#### **Examples for MDSs:**





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## 2.6 MDS creation for glass, silicate ceramic and enamel

Under the REACH regulation glass is a UVCB substance (unknown or variable composition, complex reaction products or biological materials). It is virtually considered as a single substance and does not contain individual elements or oxides anymore. This approach will as well be used for IMDS entries of glass, silicate ceramic and enamel. Declarable constituents and additives still have to be reported separately.

All newly created entries for glass, silicate ceramic and enamel must be described by using a single (pseudo) substance for the basic material, according to the approach listed below. An additional functionality in IMDS supports the update of higher numbers of existing entries. If a change is impossible old entries still can be used.



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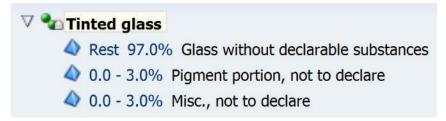
#### **Examples:**

#### Simple Glass:



(German: "Glas ohne deklarationspflichtige Inhaltsstoffe")

#### Specific glass:



#### Glass containing declarable substances:

Should the glass contain any declarable substance, as pure substance or included in the matrix, this has to be specified in addition, according to the general rules of IMDS Recommendation 001.

Example with lead as declarable substance, included in the matrix



Similar rules are to be applied for silicate ceramic and enamel materials, using the following pseudo substances:

- Ceramic without declarable substances (German: "Keramik ohne deklarationspflichtige Inhaltsstoffe")
- Enamel without declarable substances (German: "Emaille ohne deklarationspflichtige Inhaltsstoffe")

Films or coatings applied on glass must be reported as separate material.

For glass, silicate ceramic or enamel as an ingredient in a composed material just use the single (pseudo) substance.



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#### Special advices for ceramics

Ceramics can be grouped in

- 1. Silicate ceramic
- 2. Oxide ceramic and
- 3. Non-Oxide ceramic

#### Examples:

1. Silicate ceramic Porcelain; Refractory Ceramic Fibres

E.g. used for electronic components like LTCC

2. Oxide ceramic Aluminium oxide or Aluminium titanate; Ferrite

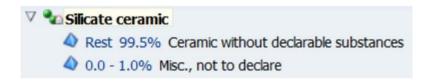
E.g. used for spark plugs, lambda sensors, exhaust sensors, piezo injector, parking sensors, knock sensors

3. Non-Oxide ceramic Silicon or Boron carbide; Silicon or Boron nitride

E.g. used for wear protection layers

#### **Declaration in IMDS**

1. Silicate ceramics are UVCBs (Unknown or Variable composition, Complex reaction productsor Biological materials) like glass. Therefore, they have to be declared like glass, see above, using the pseudo substance "Silicate ceramic without declarable substances".



2. Oxide ceramics can consist mainly of one single oxide. In this case the declaration has to be made as for normal materials, listing the oxide and all additional ingredients explicitly or as wildcard.

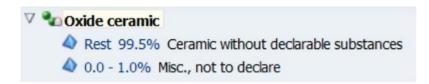


Oxide ceramics can be created as well of several oxides. During sintering they form a UVCB. Therefore, they have to be declared like glass using the pseudo substance "Ceramic without declarable substances".

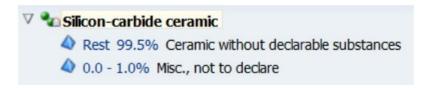


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3. Non-Oxide ceramics are created of the basic carbide or nitride and of different amounts of binder and/or sintering additives. During sintering they form a UVCB. Therefore they have to be declared like glass, see above, using the pseudo substance "Ceramic without declarable substances".



Should any of the ceramics contain other declarable substances, this has to be specified in addition, according to the general rules of IMDS Recommendation 001 (see example for glass).

#### Laminated safety glass parts

Parts mainly consisting of Laminated safety glass always are built up of

- (Two layers of) sheet glass described according to topic 2.5 of this Annex
- The plastic interlayer consisting of the basic polymer(s), plasticizer(s) and additives
- Further materials and parts mounted to the glass



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# **International Material Data System**

## 3 Revisions

Rev.	Date	Description / Reason	Originating Committee
1	Feb 2010	Initial version	IMDS SC
2	Jul 2010	Adding chapter 2 "Examples"	IMDS SC
3	Sep 2011	Adding chapter 2.2 – 2.5	IMDS SC
4	Nov 2011	Minor corrections	IMDS SC
5	April 2012	Harmonization of wording REC019 and REC001 Annex I (Classification 8.1)	IMDS SC
6	April 2013	Harmonization of wording in the description for classification 5.1	IMDS SC
7	September 2013	Addition of paragraph 2.6 MDS creation for glass, ceramic and enamel	IMDS SC
8	2020	<ul> <li>Chapter 1: addition about classification 6.x</li> <li>Chapter 1.2 Flow chart: new chapter</li> <li>Chapter 1.3 Classification table: several editorial changes and following material classification deactivated: 1.2, 5.4, 8.2</li> <li>Chapter 1.4 Special Materials: several sections added</li> <li>Chapter 2: new screen dumps</li> <li>Chapter 2.6: new sections added</li> <li>deactivate 5.5.1</li> <li>keep 5.5.2</li> <li>Changes in 5.1.a and 5.1.b due to SC90 calls with Plastic Europe and SC90 WG</li> <li>5.5.2 and 7.1 Examples added (Will Martin)</li> </ul>	IMDS SC
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