

# **WOOD DUST LABEL**

## **Occupational Exposure Warning Label for Wood Dust**

### **HAZARD ASSOCIATED WITH WOOD DUST**

**Wood Dust** is created by use of mechanical processes such as cutting, drilling, sanding, or machining dimensional lumber, plywood, particleboard, composite wood products, or engineered wood products.

**Health Hazard:** Inhalation of wood dust may increase the risk of upper respiratory tract disease including allergic respiratory effects, eyes and skin irritation. Skin contact may cause dermatitis. The United Nations International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) has classified wood dust as a nasal carcinogen in humans.

*California Prop 65 WARNING:* Drilling, sawing, sanding or machining wood products generates wood dust, a substance known to the State of California to cause cancer. Avoid inhaling wood dust or use a dust mask or other safeguards for personal protection.

**Fire Hazard:** Wood dust is combustible. Avoid open flames and other sources of ignition.

#### **Hazard Control:**

- Avoid breathing excessive levels of wood dust.
- Saw, sand, or machine wood products using adequate ventilation.
- Wear gloves to reduce skin contact.
- Wear eye protection when sawing, sanding, or machining the product.
- Avoid dust contact with ignition source. Sweep or vacuum dust for recovery or disposal.

#### **First Aid:**

- **Eye contact:** Flush eyes with large amounts of water. If irritation persists, or allergic response occurs seek medical attention.
- **Skin contact:** Prolonged and repeated contact with skin: use proper personnel hygiene and wash with soap and water. Get medical advise if rash or persistent irritation.
- **Inhalation:** Remove to fresh air. Get medical advice if persistent irritation, severe coughing or breathing difficult occurs.

*FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, SEE MATERIALS SAFETY DATA SHEET (MSDS)*