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Polyethylene terephthalate (normally abbreviated to PET) Divider Strips

These items are normally used within the architectural interiors market, usually for glass partitioning and similar applications.

Hazards

These products, when stored and fixed in accordance with best practice do not constitute a hazard.

Appropriate lifting and handling procedures must be followed to avoid the possibility of personal injury.

Precautions

Eye protection should always be used during drilling and cutting operations.

GA products are always to be worked and fixed with best practice, as outlined in our technical notes.

Material should only be lifted and moved in accordance with the HSE manual handling regulations. When subjecting the items to hot temperatures ensure adequate ventilation is provided.

In a fire, breathing apparatus should be worn.

Never use blow lamps, abrasive wheels for cutting, or other unsuitable equipment, on or adjacent to GA products.

Packaging

Prior to despatch GA products are packed in the warehouse and protected to ensure they arrive on site in first class condition.

The packing details vary from product to product, depending on shape and weight.

Lengths of PET profiles are normally packed in durable crush resistant cardboard tubes.

Delivery and off loading

Goods are despatched on overnight delivery services whenever possible to ensure they reach the point of destination in the shortest possible time.

Packs weighing up to 50kgs can normally be safely off loaded by two persons. For packs above 50kgs a mechanical or hydraulic device should be used. These packs should always be carefully lowered into position, never dropped.

Products should be taken under cover immediately. After initially unpacking and checking the items for purchase order compliance they should be carefully re-packed to protect against accidental damage.

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Site storage

After delivery, products are often kept for a period on site, before fixing commences. To ensure the items are kept in pristine condition the following precautions should be taken.

It is important to keep the PET profiles away from building activities where they could be contaminated with lime and cement, which would cause staining.

Do not store packs where personnel might walk across them.

Keep GA items in a secure area.

Installation

The installation of these products must be planned carefully to minimise risk of damage during the fixing process.

The super lightweight PET profiles, makes for ease of handling and fixing with a minimum number of operatives.

Carefully inspect the PET profiles, and remove any surface grease, dirt deposits, finger marks, etc, from the material surface with non-abrasive cleaning agents and materials.

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