

# Environmental Product Declaration

according to ISO 14025 and EN 15804



This declaration is for:  
**Herbol Interior Wallpaints**

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**PRODUCT**

Herbol Interior Wallpaints

**DECLARED UNIT/FUNCTIONAL UNIT**

All impacts are calculated using the declared unit "decoration of 1 m<sup>2</sup> of surface"

**DESCRIPTION OF PRODUCT**

This EPD covers a range of high-quality water-borne wall paints for interior use from Herbol

**VISUAL PRODUCT**



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[www.herbol.com/country-websites](http://www.herbol.com/country-websites)

**SCOPE OF DECLARATION**

This MRPI®-EPD certificate is verified by **ing. Kamiel Jansen, Primum**.

The LCA study has been done by **Joanna Zhuravlova, Ecomatters**.

The certificate is based on an LCA-dossier according to ISO14025 and EN15804+A1. It is verified according to the 'MRPI®-EPD verification protocol November 2020.v4.0'. EPDs of construction products may not be comparable if they do not comply with EN15804+A1. Declaration of SVHC that are listed on the 'Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern for authorisation' when content exceeds the limits for registration with ECHA.

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**DEMONSTRATION OF VERIFICATION**

CEN standard EN15804 serves as the core PCR[a]

Independent verification of the declaration and data,  
according to EN ISO 14025:2010:  
internal: external: X

Third party verifier:

Kamiel Jansen, Primum

[a] PCR = Product Category Rules

## DETAILED PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

This EPD is representative for the 4 product paints belonging to the Herbol Interior Wallpaints, as described below.

### *Product Information*

This EPD covers a range of high-quality water-borne wall paints for interior use from Herbol. The decorating interior wall paints for the European market are designed to meet variable requirements of professional painters, architects, specifiers, builders, and entrepreneurs concerning durability and environmental sustainability. This EPD is representing environmental impacts of an average water-borne interior wall paint from Herbol based on production data. The EPD is representing environmental impacts of the following products:

#### *Zenit PU 03*

Gives a very smooth and perfect homogenous end result thanks to his good flow.

For walls subject to intensive loading/passage and ceilings. For interior use. A water-soluble stains insulating, plasticisers blocking, water-borne wall paint based on PU reinforced acrylic resin with a matt aspect and high scrub resistance. No burnishing effects, solvent-free\*. Hydrofobic and lipophobic and therefore has an extremely low dust adhesion and excellent stain resistance. IAQ or Indoor air quality: A+. Can be used as a one-pot system and allows 2 layers per day. Has an Ecolabel.

#### *Zenit Power*

High hiding power(meets class 1 according to Din EN 13300) + high wet scrub resistance(meets class 1 according to Din EN 13300). Water-soluble, pot-matt, super-white, super-covering wall and ceiling paint (class 1 DIN EN 13300) for indoor use, based on a polyvinylacetate dispersion. ELF quality (low emission, plasticizer- and solvent free\*). IAQ or indoor air quality: A+.

#### *Classic Plafond*

Good hiding power, extra matt, easy application without splashing, smooth view and long open time and therefore ideal for ceilings. Extra-matt, water-dilutable, overlaps free solvent-free\* paint especially for ceilings, based on vinyl copolymers. With a large open time and very suitable for roller application without overlaps. For interior use.

\* raw materials used may still contain traces of VOC, hence VOC < 1 g/l.

#### *Classic Super Color Matt*

Ideal price/performance ratio + high hiding power and efficiency + easy sprayable with airless and therefore ideal for large wall and/or ceiling surfaces. Highly opaque, pot wall, solvent free\*\* paint for interior use, water-thinnable, with excellent whiteness, based on an acrylic copolymer dispersion.

\*\* raw materials used may still contain traces of VOC, hence VOC < 3 g/l.

COMPONENT (> 1%)*	[kg / %]
Pigment: Lightfast Pigments	Confidential
Binder: Acrylic Copolymer Dispersion	Confidential
Solvent: Water	Confidential

(\*) > 1% of total mass

### SCOPE AND TYPE

The type of this EPD is Cradle-to-Gate with options. All major steps from the extraction of natural resources to the final disposal of the product are included in the environmental performance of the manufacturing phase, except those that are not relevant to the environmental performance of the product. This declaration does not imply an indicator result of zero. This EPD is representative for products produced in Machelen, Belgium, Montataire, France, Castelletto, Italy, Stowmarket, UK and the application market is for European Union, Russia and the UK.

The software GaBi 10.0.0.71 Professional is used to perform the LCA. In the model the data used is sourced from the Ecoinvent 3.6 database and the Raw materials LCI database for the European Council of the Paint, Printing Ink and Artists' Colours Industry (CEPE).

The validity of this EPD is in correspondence with the specifications of the LCA project report.

All impacts associated with the upstream production of materials and energy are included in the system boundaries. Mining activities and controlled landfills are included in the product systems. Similarly, wastewater treatment activities are also considered within the technological systems. The emissions and resource extractions derived from these processes are considered elementary exchanges between the product systems and the environment.

PRODUCT STAGE			CONSTRUCTION					USE STAGE					END OF LIFE				BENEFITS AND
			PROCESS										STAGE				LOADS BEYOND THE
			STAGE														SYSTEM BOUNDARIES
Raw material supply	Transport	Manufacturing	Transport gate to site	Assembly	Use	Maintenance	Repair	Replacement	Refurbishment	Operational energy use	Operational water use	De-construction	demolition	Transport	Waste processing	Disposal	Reuse- Recovery- Recycling- potential
A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	B7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D	
X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	ND	

X = Modules Assessed

ND = Not Declared



*Figure: LCA process diagram according to EN 15804 (7.2.1)*

## REPRESENTATIVENESS

The representative product consists of a weighted average based on annual production volumes of the formulation and characteristics (i.e. packaging format) of the 4 products within the Herbol Interior Wallpaints.

This EPD is representative for products produced in Machelen, Belgium, Montataire, France, Castelletto, Italy, Stowmarket, UK and sold in European Union, Russia and the UK.

Density (kg/l) = 1.528;  
 Coverage (kg/m<sup>2</sup>) = 0.186;  
 Number of Layers = 1 or 2;  
 Total product used (kg/m<sup>2</sup>) = 0.361.

A sensitivity analysis is performed to assess the representativeness of the representative product. The environmental impact results for one of the individual Herbol Interior Wallpaints products have maximum negative difference of 70%, when compared with the representative product, in the Acidification Potential impact category.

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT per functional unit or declared unit (indicators A1)**

	UNIT	A1	A2	A3	A1-A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	B7	C1	C2	C3	C4
ADPE	kg Sb. eq.	3.34 E-6	1.48 E-7	5.18 E-7	4.00 E-6	8.28 E-7	4.31 E-8	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.61 E-8	0.00	2.41 E-8
ADPF	MJ	1.50 E+1	1.34 E-1	3.26 E+0	1.84 E+1	5.34 E-1	3.61 E-2	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.02 E-2	0.00	5.56 E-2
GWP	kg CO2 eq.	7.44 E-1	8.59 E-3	1.46 E-1	8.98 E-1	3.51 E-2	1.66 E-1	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.22 E-3	0.00	1.05 E-1
ODP	kg CFC 11 eq.	9.59 E-8	1.58 E-9	1.76 E-9	9.92 E-8	6.26 E-9	3.74 E-10	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6.13 E-10	0.00	6.30 E-10
POCP	kg ethene eq.	7.58 E-4	3.59 E-6	8.82 E-5	8.49 E-4	1.38 E-5	2.97 E-4	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.35 E-6	0.00	1.83 E-6
AP	kg SO2 eq.	1.00 E-2	3.43 E-5	5.23 E-4	1.06 E-2	1.40 E-4	2.32 E-5	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.27 E-5	0.00	1.87 E-5
EP	kg (PO4)3- eq.	1.61 E-3	1.03 E-5	9.78 E-5	1.72 E-3	4.22 E-5	3.59 E-3	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.79 E-6	0.00	1.96 E-5

ADPE = Abiotic Depletion Potential for non-fossil resources  
ADPF = Abiotic Depletion Potential for fossil resources  
GWP = Global Warming Potential  
ODP = Depletion potential of the stratospheric ozone layer  
POCP = Formation potential of tropospheric ozone photochemical oxidants  
AP = Acidification Potential of land and water  
EP = Eutrophication Potential  
HTP = Human Toxicity Potential  
FAETP = Fresh water aquatic ecotoxicity potential  
MAETP = Marine aquatic ecotoxicity potential  
TETP = Terrestrial ecotoxicity potential  
ECI = Environmental Cost Indicator  
ADPF = Abiotic Depletion Potential for fossil resources expressed in [kg Sb-eq.]  
ND = Not Declared

**RESOURCE USE per functional unit or declared unit (A1 / A2)**

	UNIT	A1	A2	A3	A1-A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	B7	C1	C2	C3	C4
PERE	MJ	3.09 E-1	1.44 E-3	1.17 E-1	4.27 E-1	5.89 E-3	5.25 E-4	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6.42 E-4	0.00	6.28 E-4
PERM	MJ	3.45 E-4	8.41 E-10	1.26 E-2	1.29 E-2	4.18 E-9	3.05 E-10	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.21 E-10	0.00	1.09 E-9
PERT	MJ	3.09 E-1	1.44 E-3	1.29 E-1	4.40 E-1	5.89 E-3	5.25 E-4	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6.42 E-4	0.00	6.28 E-4
PENRE	MJ	1.61 E+1	1.35 E-1	3.46 E+0	1.97 E+1	5.41 E-1	3.67 E-2	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.12 E-2	0.00	5.64 E-2
PENRM	MJ	2.35 E-6	0.00	1.47 E-7	2.50 E-6	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PENRT	MJ	1.61 E+1	1.35 E-1	3.46 E+0	1.97 E+1	5.41 E-1	3.67 E-2	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.12 E-2	0.00	5.64 E-2
SM	kg	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
RSF	MJ	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
NRSF	MJ	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
FW	m3	4.57 E-1	1.63 E-5	1.27 E-3	4.59 E-1	6.10 E-5	1.29 E-5	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.80 E-6	0.00	5.78 E-5

PERE = Use of renewable energy excluding renewable primary energy resources

PERM = Use of renewable energy resources used as raw materials

PERT = Total use of renewable primary energy resources

PENRE = Use of non-renewable primary energy resources excluding non-renewable energy resources used as raw materials

PENRM = Use of non-renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials

PENRT = Total use of non-renewable primary energy resources

SM = Use of secondary materials

RSF = Use of renewable secondary fuels

NRSF = Use of non renewable secondary fuels

FW = Use of net fresh water

ND = Not Declared

**OUTPUT FLOWS AND WASTE CATEGORIES per functional unit or declared unit (A1 / A2)**

	UNIT	A1	A2	A3	A1-A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	B7	C1	C2	C3	C4
HWD	kg	0.00	0.00	4.57 E-3	4.57 E-3	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
NHWD	kg	0.00	0.00	7.55 E-3	7.55 E-3	0.00	1.27 E-1	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.60 E-1
RWD	kg	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
CRU	kg	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MFR	kg	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MER	kg	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
EEE	MJ	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ETE	MJ	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

HWD = Hazardous Waste Disposed

RWD = Radioactive Waste Disposed

MFR = Materials for recycling

EEE = Exported Electrical Energy

ND = Not Declared

NHWD = Non Hazardous Waste Disposed

CRU = Components for reuse

MER = Materials for energy recovery

ETE = Exported Thermal Energy

## **CALCULATION RULES**

### *Cut off criteria*

The cut-off is not considered in any of the life cycle stages.

In the electricity for paint manufacturing process, transmission and transformation losses were not accounted for in case of renewable energy sources (wind energy). The reason for that exclusion is the fact that transformation and transmission losses account together for less than 1% of the energy input and it is not expected to influence the results significantly.

### *Data quality and data collection period*

Specific data was collected from AkzoNobel through a questionnaire, including inquiries about paint characteristics, production information and end-of-life. The data collection period for specific data was the year 2019.

Transport data (for raw materials, paint and packaging materials), packaging materials use and packaging material end of life scenarios were covered with data generic values as described in the Product Environmental Footprint Category Rules - Decorative Paints document version 1.0 published by CEPE and reviewed in April 2018. Further data gaps (i.e. end-of-life transport data) were covered with data from internal AkzoNobel LCA studies concerning the same type of products (paints and coatings). Generic data (i.e. upstream acquisition and production of raw materials, energy generation, transport, waste treatment processes) was selected from Ecoinvent 3.6 database. In the case of missing data, a relevant proxy was searched and adjusted to the corresponding unit process.

### *Allocation procedure*

To allocate the emissions and inputs to the manufactured products, the decision-hierarchy in ISO 14044 is used (ISO 2006). It is not possible to sub-divide the site data into a more detailed level or find physical causalities between inputs and outputs, thus allocation is done based on mass, considering the annual production of paint product for each site. The paint production is basically a process of mixing ingredients and, therefore, the environmental impact is fairly to be related to the mass of the products.

## **SCENARIOS AND ADDITIONAL TECHNICAL INFORMATION**

### *A1. Raw materials supply*

This module considers the extraction and processing of all raw materials and energy which occur upstream to the Herbol Interior Wallpaints manufacturing process, as well as waste processing up to the end-of waste state.

### *A2. Transport of raw materials to manufacturer*

This includes the transport distance of the raw materials to the manufacturing facility via road. Based on Product Environmental Footprint Category Rules - Decorative Paints the transport characteristics for this life cycle stage are the following:

Transport Type	Lorry, total weight >32 t
Distance (km)	460
Capacity	64%
Bulk density of transported products	1528 kg/m3

### A3. Manufacturing

This module covers the manufacturing of the Herbol Interior Wallpaints paint and includes all processes linked to production such as storing, mixing, packing and internal transportation. Use of electricity, fuels and auxiliary materials in paint production is taken into account as well.

Data regarding paint production was provided by AkzoNobel for the manufacturing sites where the Herbol Interior Wallpaints paints are produced. Primary data and site-specific data were retrieved. For electricity sources Ecoinvent 3.6 datasets were used. For upstream (raw material processes) and downstream processes (application, use, and waste processing) generic data is used when no specific data was obtained. The transportation distances and transportation modes for raw materials, paint packaging and transportation to customer were taken from Product Environmental Footprint Category Rules - Decorative Paints.

The manufacture of production equipment and infrastructure is not included in the system boundary.

### A4. Transport to Regional Distribution Centre and customer

All paint containers are transported from the production facility into a distribution centre and then finally to the customer. Based on Product Environmental Footprint Category Rules - Decorative Paints the transport characteristics for this life cycle stage are the following:

Description	Transport from factory to RDC	Transport from RDC to customer
Transport Type	Lorry, total weight >32 t	Lorry, total weight >32 t
Distance (km)	350	370
Capacity	64%	64%
Bulk density of transported products	1528 kg/m3	1528 kg/m3

### A5. Application and use

This module includes the environmental aspects and impacts associated with the application of the paint. It is assumed that no energy is required during the application of this paint. The use of paintbrushes and other appliances used during application are not included.

There are some raw materials added in the paint formulations which contain small amounts of solvents. The VOC emissions during application of paint are included in this module.

### C2. Transport to incineration or landfill

This module includes one-way transportation distance of the demolition or sorting site to the dump site.

End-of-life transport type	Transport to waste processing
Vehicle type	Truck 34t-40t payload average fleet
Distance	100 km
Capacity utilisation	60%
Bulk density of transported products	1528 kg/m <sup>3</sup>

**C3. Waste processing and C4. Disposal**

The end of life stage is encompassed in these modules. It is assumed that paint is used as interior paint or exterior paint. In both cases, it is assumed that part of the paint is lost during application and the rest is applied.

The coating lost during application is assumed to be non-hazardous waste and disposed of in landfill (35%) and incinerated (65%). After its lifetime, it is assumed that part of the coatings end up in landfill (88%) and in incineration (12%) as non-hazardous waste. These assumptions are based on best knowledge of the end of life of coating from direct contact with AkzoNobel.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS**

The CML-IA methods do not have characterization factors for the “unspecified VOC” emission flow in the Global Warming Potential environmental impact category. However, VOCs are known to have influence in this category. In order to include the impacts of the VOCs and align with current practice of AkzoNobel, it was decided to calculate the VOC impact on Global Warming Potential separately. The Global Warming Potential impact category has been modified, adding a generic factor of 4.23 kgCO<sub>2</sub>-eq/kg VOC, which is in line with AkzoNobel characterisation factors for carbon reporting.

Description	UNIT	A1	A2	A3	TOTAL A1-A3	A4	A5	C2	C4
GWP 100 years	[kg CO <sub>2</sub> -Eq.]	7.44E-1	8.59E-3	1.46E-1	8.98E-1	3.51E-2	1.66E-1	3.22E-3	1.05E-1
GWP 100 years incl. VOC char. fact.	[kg CO <sub>2</sub> -Eq.]	7.44E-1	8.59E-3	1.46E-1	8.98E-1	3.51E-2	1.71E-1	3.22E-3	1.05E-1

### DECLARATION OF SVHC

Based on the recipe information obtained from the manufacturer, a few substances of very high concern for authorisation (in accordance with Article 59(10) of the REACH Regulation) were identified. All of the substances are present well below the communication and notification threshold of 0,1 % (w/w) as mandated in article 7 and 33 of the REACH regulation.

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### REMARKS

None