

# Micore® Mineral Fiber Board

## 160

**Versatile, high-performance core or substrate**

- Handles more easily than gypsum panels and particle board
- Outstanding versatility adapts to a variety of applications
- Simplified component assembly saves time and money
- Smooth, coated finish maintains tighter tolerance
- Exceptional tackability
- Good sound control
- Class A flame spread ratings developed per ASTM E84; UL classified
- STC ratings developed per ASTM E336-90; classified in accordance with ASTM E413-87
- Meets requirements for classrooms, per Collaborative for High-Performance Schools (CHPS) Section 01350

**Description** Used as a substrate or core, MICORE® brand 160 mineral fiber board from USG improves the quality and performance of your design in various applications, such as open-plan partitions, office screens, dividers and tackboards. The board combines lightweight properties with the strength and stability of heavier boards.

**Advantages** MICORE 160 mineral fiber board is nearly 50% lighter than particle board, which allows for easier handling and lower freight rates. It also outperforms gypsum panels in workability—the inorganic mineral fibers resist moisture, minimizing expansion and warpage. And the board cuts quickly and easily to size and shape specifications using standard equipment while adapting readily to last-minute design changes. What’s more, MICORE 160 mineral fiber board outperforms particle board and other wood fiber boards for flame spread and sound absorption.

<b>Sizes</b>	<b>Thickness</b>	3/8" (.375)	
		1/2" (.500)	
		5/8" (.625)	
		3/4" (.750)	
	<b>Tolerances</b>	Thickness	± 0.015" sanded and coated
		Width and length (per 4 ft.)	± 1/16" (.0625")

<b>Physical Properties</b>	Surface Burning Characteristics		Flame spread <sup>1</sup>	25
			Smoke developed <sup>1</sup>	10
	Density (pcf)		18 ± 2 lbs./cu. foot	
	Weight		500-1,250 lbs./MSF	
	Modulus of Rupture <sup>2</sup>		275 lbs./sq. inch	
	Modulus of Elasticity <sup>2</sup>		21,000 lbs./sq. inch	
	Tensile Strength (Parallel to Surface) <sup>2</sup>		125 lbs./sq. inch	
	Hardness (Janka Ball) <sup>2</sup>		35 lbs.	
	Hygrometric Expansion (50% to 90% R.H.)		.25%	
	Thermal Conductivity <sup>2</sup>		k Factor	.39
		R Value (1/2" board)	1.27	

1. Underwriters Laboratories, Inc. Classified as to surface burning characteristics (File No. R-11588).

2. Values shown are production averages.

<b>Acoustical Performance<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>Thickness</b>	<b>STC Rating</b>	<b>NRC</b>
	3/8"	22	—
	1/2"	24	.30 - .40
	5/8"	26	.30 - .40
	3/4"	26	.50 - .60

3. Based on perforated product only. Published STC and NRC values are based on laboratory tests. Actual field acoustical performance may differ depending on acoustical performance of all other products and systems used with the MICORE panels as installed.



**Storage and Handling**

All materials shall be delivered in their original unopened packages and stored in an enclosed shelter providing protection from damage and exposure to the elements. Damaged or deteriorated materials shall be removed from the premises.

**Limitations**

Exposure to excessive or continuous moisture should be avoided.

**Submittal Approvals**

<b>Job Name</b>		
<b>Contractor</b>		<b>Date</b>

**Warning**

Sustained high level exposure to crystalline silica is thought to increase the risk of lung cancer. Dust exposure can cause temporary eye, skin, and respiratory tract irritation. Avoid creating dust and install in well ventilated area. Cut and trim with razor knife or hand saw to minimize dust levels. Using power tools for cutting will generate high dust levels. Power tools must be equipped with dust collection system. Use NIOSH/MSHA-approved dust respirator. Avoid dust contact with eyes and skin. Wear eye protection and long-sleeve, loose fitting clothing closed at the neck and wrists. Wash work clothing separately from other clothing. Rinse washer thoroughly. Product safety information: 800-507-8899. KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.

**Product Information**

See micore.com for the most up-to-date product information.

**Note**

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