

**PRODUCT
SPECIAL**

INFORMATION SHEET

WOOD-CASED PENCILS

blacklead and colored pencils



The EC safety data sheet is necessary only for dangerous substances and preparations subject to the relating EC directives and will be provided to you, where applicable.
For STAEDTLER wood-cased pencils safety data sheets are not necessary, because these products are not regarded as dangerous substances or preparations as of the relating EC directives.

STAEDTLER always considers the relevant national and international regulations regarding consumer protection during the selection of the raw materials and in their manufacture. In addition, and this is of major importance, we pursue developments in the chemical and technical fields to offer our customers safe products that point the way ahead.
Since middle of 1996 STAEDTLER is certified according to ISO 9001. All processes are subject to regular controls. Thus, a constant good quality is ensured.

COMPONENTS OF WOOD-CASED PENCILS

COLORED PENCILS *)	
Timber from controlled reforestation	
Filling agents	Natural raw materials as for example talcum and kaolin
Binding agents	on cellulose basis
Wax	
Color pigments	**)
Emulsifying agent	***)

BLACKLEAD PENCILS	
Timber from controlled reforestation	
Graphite	a natural raw material
Clay	a natural raw material
Wax	on stearin basis

- *) The painting instruments with the **CE** symbol correspond to the safety requirements of the toy regulation „COUNCIL DIRECTIVE (88/378/EEC) concerning the safety of toys“ and thus to the European Standard EN 71. This standard restricts for example unavoidable traces of heavy metals.
- ***) STAEDTLER uses no heavy metal pigments, trace quantities of heavy metals which occur naturally in organic pigments fall below the tolerances of the EU Standard EN 71 (Toy safety standard).
- ***) only for watercolor pencils, see INFORMATION SHEET KARAT

Characteristics of wood-cased pencils with different surface Solvent-based lacquer - waterbased lacquer - unlacquered

Solvent-based lacquer	Water-based lacquer	unlacquered
Lacquer does not contain heavy metal pigments	Lacquer does not contain heavy metal pigments	no lacquer
lacquers meet the requirements of the EN 71/3	lacquers meet the requirements of the EN 71/3	no coloring pigments
minimal pollution due to lacquering method employed <small>Solvent vapours arising at the work place are directly extracted and treated.</small>	virtually non-polluting because of lacquering method water is used as solvent	non-polluting, no lacquering process
hygienic, antisoiling surface can be cleaned	hygienic, antisoiling surface can be cleaned	unlacquered wood
distinctive, unmistakable appearance as a branded product due to manufacturer's individual color get-up	distinctive, unmistakable appearance as a branded product due to manufacturer's individual color get-up	recognizable due to lead and imprint

STAEDTLER wood-cased pencils are subject to a comprehensive quality inspection and are not harmful if used in the proper manner.