Environmental Product Declaration according to ISO 14025 and EN 15804

This declaration is for: **Fibrofor High Grade** 

Provided by: Contec Fiber AG





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COMPANY INFORMATION



PRODUCT Fibrofor High Grade

DECLARED UNIT/FUNCTIONAL UNIT 1 kg

## **DESCRIPTION OF PRODUCT**

Fibrofor High Grade is a high-performance monofiber for the primary concrete reinforcement. It distributes evenly in the concrete and provides a three dimensional reinforcement.







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# SCOPE OF DECLARATION

MORE INFORMATION https://www.contecfiber.com/en/products/fibrofor-high-g rade/

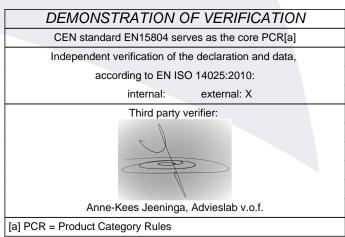
## This MRPI®-EPD certificate is verified by **Anne Kees Jeeninga, Advieslab VOF.** The LCA study has been done by **Ruben van Gaalen, EcoReview B.V.**. The certificate is based on an LCA-dossier according to ISO14025 and EN15804+A2 (incl. A1). It is verified

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+A2 (incl. 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.

## **PROGRAM OPERATOR**

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# DETAILED PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

These fibers are used as reinforcement in concrete structures. 1kg of high-performance fiber Fibrofor High Grade per m<sup>3</sup> concrete is able to replace between 20 and 25 kg of steelfibers or up to 40 kg of conventional steel reinforcement. The service life of the product is dependent on the life span of the concrete it is used in. As the material doesn't oxidize or disintegrate in any other way as it is inside the concrete it doesn't affect the reference service life of the concrete.

In this EPD the production and packaging are considered. Packaging material is included.

Based on a static calculation according to latest standards (Eurocode), the reduction of reinforcement steel can be calculated.

COMPONENT (> 1%)	[kg / %]
Plastic Fibres	100%
Packaging	2%

(\*) > 1% of total mass

### **SCOPE AND TYPE**

The type of this EPD is Cradle-to-Gate. All major steps from the extraction of natural resources to the factory gate are included in the environmental performance of the manufacturing phase, except those that are not relevant to the environmental performance of the product.

The software SimaPro is used to perform the LCA. The background databases used are:

• Ecoinvent (v3.6)

It is not determined as to how the Fibrofor High Grade are to be processed at the end of life (after 50 years). Therefore, this module is not considered in this LCA study. As new and improved systems for the recycling of building products are developed over time, these can be determined and then applied to a future LCA study. Concrete produced with Fibrofor High Grade can however be broken into aggregates which in turn can be used to produce new concrete. It is economically unfeasible to retrieve the Fibrofor High Grade from the cement structure.

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			PRO	CESS			STAGE			LOADS BEYOND THE						
			ST	AGE							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	<b>A2</b>	<b>A</b> 3	A4	<b>A5</b>	B1	<b>B2</b>	<b>B</b> 3	<b>B4</b>	<b>B</b> 5	<b>B6</b>	<b>B</b> 7	C1	C2	C3	<b>C4</b>	D
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X = Modules Assessed

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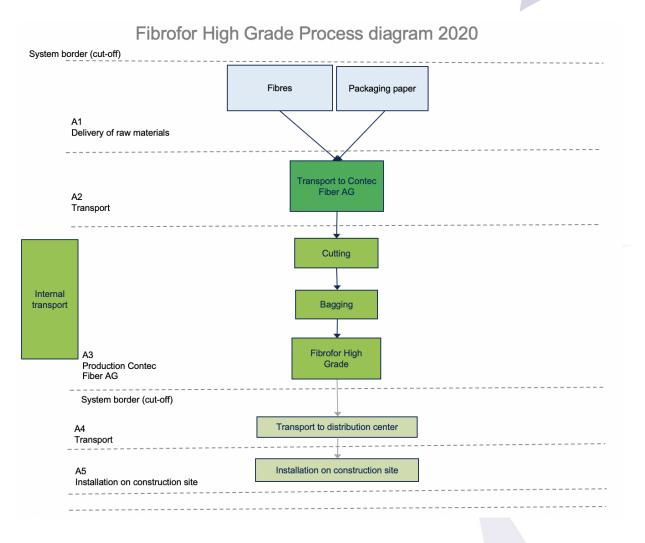


Figure: LCA process diagram according to EN 15804 (7.2.1)

### REPRESENTATIVENESS

This EPD is representative for products produced and sold in the EU. The Fibrofor High Grade is produced in one production site and cut to demand at the production site of Contec Fiber AG.







	UNIT	A1	A2	A3	A1-A3
ADPE	kg Sb. eq.	3.66E-5	6.97E-6	8.40E-9	4.36E-5
ADPF	MJ	1.10E+2	4.18E+0	2.22E-3	1.14E+2
GWP	kg CO2 eq.	4.33E+0	2.73E-1	2.47E-4	4.60E+0
ODP	kg CFC 11 eq.	1.61E-7	4.84E-8	3.51E-9	2.13E-7
POCP	kg ethene eq.	2.71E-3	1.65E-4	1.10E-7	2.88E-3
AP	kg SO2 eq.	2.35E-2	1.20E-3	1.33E-6	2.47E-2
EP	kg (PO4)3- eq.	2.30E-3	2.36E-4	3.05E-7	2.54E-3

Toxicity indicators and ECI (Dutch market)

НТР	kg DCB-eq.	1.01E+0	1.15E-1	5.55E-4	1.13E+0
FAETP	kg DCB-eq.	3.57E-2	3.35E-3	3.90E-5	3.91E-2
MAETP	kg DCB-eq.	9.19E+1	1.21E+1	1.03E-1	1.04E+2
TETP	kg DCB-eq.	7.19E-3	4.06E-4	8.79E-7	7.60E-3
ECI	Euro	4.50E-1	3.00E-2	0.00	4.80E-1
ADPF	kg Sb. eq.	5.28E-2	2.01E-3	1.07E-6	5.48E-2

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.]

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## **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT** per functional unit or declared unit (core indicators A2)

	UNIT	A1	A2	A3	A1-A3
GWP-total	kg CO2 eq.	4.29E+0	2.75E-1	3.80E-4	4.57E+0
GWP-fossil	kg CO2 eq.	4.45E+0	2.75E-1	2.62E-4	4.73E+0
GWP-biogenic	kg CO2 eq.	-1.58E-1	1.27E-4	1.17E-4	-1.58E-1
GWP-luluc	kg CO2 eq.	3.71E-3	1.01E-4	9.89E-7	3.81E-3
ODP	kg CFC11 eq.	1.83E-7	6.08E-8	1.85E-9	2.46E-7
AP	mol H+ eq.	2.82E-2	1.60E-3	1.54E-6	2.98E-2
EP-freshwater	kg PO4 eq.	1.53E-4	2.78E-6	2.19E-8	1.56E-4
EP-marine	kg N eq.	4.84E-3	5.62E-4	4.58E-7	5.40E-3
EP-terrestrial	mol N eq.	5.38E-2	6.20E-3	1.62E-6	6.00E-2
POCP	kg NMVOC eq.	1.72E-2	1.77E-3	4.77E-7	1.90E-2
ADP-minerals& metals	kg Sb eq.	3.65E-5	6.97E-6	8.40E-9	4.35E-5
ADP-fossil	MJ, net calorific value	1.02E+2	4.15E+0	4.70E-1	1.07E+2
WDP	m3 world eq. deprived	1.94E+0	1.48E-2	3.54E-4	1.96E+0

GWP-total = Global Warming Potential total

GWP-fossil = Global Warming Potential fossil fuels

GWP-biogenic = Global Warming Potential biogenic

GWP-luluc = Global Warming Potential land use and land use change

ODP = Depletion potential of the stratospheric ozone layer

AP = Acidification Potential, Accumulated Exceedence

EP-freshwater = Eutrophication Potential, fraction of nutrients reaching freshwater end compartment

EP-marine = Eutrophication Potential, fraction of nutrients reaching marine end compartment

EP-terrestrial = Eutrophication Potential, Accumulated Exceedence

POCP = Formation potential of tropospheric ozone photochemical oxidants

ADP-minerals&metals = Abiotic Depletion Potential for non fossil resources [2]

ADP-fossil = Abiotic Depletion for fossil resources potential [2]

WDP = Water (user) deprivation potential, deprivation-weighted water consumption [2]

ND = Not Declared

Disclaimer [2]

The results of this environmental impact indicator shall be used with care as the uncertainties on these results are high or as there is limited experienced with the indicator.



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### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT** per functional unit or declared unit (additional indicators A2)

	UNIT	A1	A2	A3	A1-A3
PM	Disease incidence	1.55E-7	2.47E-8	-1.64E-12	1.80E-7
IRP	kBq U235 eq.	8.80E-2	1.74E-2	2.12E-2	1.27E-1
ETP-fw	CTUe	5.93E+1	3.70E+0	7.77E-2	6.31E+1
HTP-c	CTUh	1.23E-9	1.20E-10	6.58E-13	1.35E-9
HTP-nc	CTUh	3.67E-8	4.05E-9	1.15E-11	4.08E-8
SQP		2.30E+1	3.60E+0	-7.39E-4	2.66E+1

PM = Potential incidence of disease due to PM emissions

IRP = Potential Human exposure efficiency relative to U235 [1]

ETP-fw = Potential Comparative Toxic Unit for ecosystems [2]

HTP-c = Potential Comparative Toxic Unit for humans [2]

HTP-nc = Potential Comparative Toxic Unit for humans, non-cancer [2]

SQP = Potential soil quality index [2]

ND = Not Declared

#### Disclaimer [1]

This impact category deals mainly with the eventual impact of low dose ionizing radiation on human health of the nuclear fuel cycle. It does not consider effects due to possible nuclear accidents, occupational exposure nor due to radioactive waste disposal in underground facilities. Potential ionizing radiation from the soil, from radon and from some construction materials is also not measured by this indicator.

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

	UNIT	A1	A2	A3	A1-A3
PERE	MJ	7.93E+0	5.20E-2	7.67E-3	7.99E+0
PERM	MJ	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PERT	MJ	7.93E+0	5.20E-2	7.67E-3	7.99E+0
PENRE	MJ	1.09E+2	4.41E+0	4.70E-1	1.14E+2
PENRM	MJ	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PENRT	MJ	1.09E+2	4.41E+0	4.70E-1	1.14E+2
SM	kg	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
RSF	MJ	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
NRSF	MJ	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
FW	m3	4.75E-2	5.06E-4	1.07E-4	4.81E-2

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
HWD	kg	3.33E-5	1.05E-5	4.26E-8	4.38E-5
NHWD	kg	3.42E-1	2.63E-1	8.98E-6	6.05E-1
RWD	kg	9.10E-5	2.73E-5	8.11E-6	1.26E-4
CRU	kg	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MFR	kg	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MER	kg	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
EEE	MJ	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ETE	MJ	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







## **BIOGENIC CARBON CONTENT** per functional unit or declared unit (A2)

	UNIT	A1	A2	A3	A1-A3
BCCpr	kg C	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
BCCpa	kg C	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

BCCpr = Biogenic carbon content in product BCCpa = Biogenic carbon content in packaging ND = Not Declared



# CALCULATION RULES

#### Data quality

Data flows have been modeled as realistically as possible. Data quality assessment is based on the principle that the primary data used for processes occurring at the production site is selected in the first instance. Where this is not available, other reference data is selected from appropriate sources.

#### Data collection period

The dataset is representative for the production processes used in 2020.

### Methodology and reproducibility

The process descriptions and quantities in this study are reproducible in accordance to the reference standards that have been used. The references of all sources, both primary and public sources and literature, have been documented. In addition, to facilitate the reproducibility of this LCA, a full set of data records has been generated.

### SCENARIOS AND ADDITIONAL TECHNICAL INFORMATION

### A1. Raw materials supply

As the majority of the Fibrofor High Grade is produced at a supplier, which remains confidential, this data has been inventoried and is part of module A1 for Contec Fiber AG. The production starts with the melting of the raw material. It is then extruded by an extrusion machine. After extrusion the material is cooled through water and span on spindles in order to stretch it into the required thickness. A winding machine assembles a bundle of strings onto a bobbin. After the bundles are wrapped with a solvable foil they are transported to Contec Fiber AG.

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

The transportation of the suppliers to Contec Fiber AG is done by truck.

### A3. Manufacturing

This module covers the manufacturing at Contec where cutting to the correct size and bagging in paper packaging takes place. Use of electricity taken into account.







## **DECLARATION OF SVHC**

None of the substances contained in the product are listed in the "Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern for authorisation", or they do not exceed the threshold with the European Chemicals Agency.

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# REMARKS

EPD of construction products may not be comparable if they do not comply with EN15804

