

# ENVIRONMENTAL PRODUCT DECLARATION

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## Glass Mineral Wool 032 unfaced rolls

TI 132U, KI Fit 032, Naturoll 032, KI Multifit 032, EASY LRR  
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with **ECOSE<sup>®</sup>** Technology

## Knauf Insulation

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## General Information

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### GMW 032 unfaced rolls with ECOSE

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#### Declared product / Declared unit

1 m<sup>3</sup> of GMW 032 unfaced rolls

#### Scope:

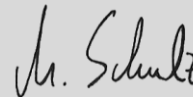
GMW (Glass Mineral Wool) 032 rolls are unfaced insulation products. They comply with the requirements of /EN 13162/. The thickness is ranging from 30 mm to 260 mm. The manufacturing company is Knauf Insulation - plants Krupka (Czech Republic), Lannemezan (France) and Visé (Belgium). Indicators are calculated using 2013 data. The owner of the declaration shall be liable for the underlying information and evidence; the IBU shall not be liable with respect to manufacturer information, life cycle assessment data and evidences.

#### Verification

The CEN Norm EN 15804 serves as the core PCR

Independent verification of the declaration  
according to ISO 14025

internally  externally



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## Product

### Product description

Knauf Insulation manufactures glass mineral wool insulation products such as TI 132U, KI Fit 032, Naturoll 032, KI Multifit 032, EASY LRR 032 U with ECOSE® Technology. They are available in the form of slabs or rolls, and also boards. The density for glass mineral wool ranges from 10 to 85 kg/m<sup>3</sup>. In general, glass mineral wool consists of >= 92.5% inert material. The inert part is made of recycled glass (external cullet, up to 80% of the composition) and mainly sand and dolomite.

The remaining <= 7.5% are made of bio-based binder components. At Knauf Insulation, the binder used for the GMW products is the ECOSE binder whose origin is plant starch.

GMW 032 rolls are products unfaced, and they are used for their thermal, acoustical and fire characteristics. A representative product out of a particular group of products was selected for the calculation.

For the placing on the market of construction products in the European Union and EFTA /Regulation (EU) No 305/2011/ applies. The products need a Declaration of performance (DoP) taking into consideration the harmonized product standard /EN 13162/ and the CE-mark /Regulation (EC) No 765/2008/.

### Application

Main applications for GMW 032 unfaced rolls are in pitched roofs, partition walls and timber frames. For the applications and use national regulations apply, in Germany the /Allgemeine bauaufsichtliche Zulassung Z-23.15-1461/ (building inspection approval) issued by the Deutsches Institut für Bautechnik (DIBt), Berlin.

### Technical Data

GMW 032 unfaced rolls and their technical characteristics meet a number of technical requirements. The most important ones are summarized in the table here below, which also includes references to testing methods.

#### Technical characteristics

Name	Value	Unit
Thermal conductivity /EN 12667/	0.032	W/(mK)
Water vapour diffusion resistance factor /EN 13162/	1	-
Gross density /EN 1602/	29.5 - 32.5	kg/m <sup>3</sup>
Longit. air-diffusion resist. /EN 29053/	>=5	kNs/m <sup>4</sup>
Water absorption Wp /EN 1609/	< 1	kg/m <sup>2</sup>
Water absorption Wlp /EN 12087/	< 3	kg/m <sup>2</sup>

Reaction to fire /EN 13501-1/	A1	-
Specific heat capacity /EN ISO 10456/	850	J/kgK
Acoustic absorption	not relevant	
Compression strength/resistance	not relevant	

### Base materials / Ancillary materials

GMW is an insulation material of mostly inorganic origin intended for thermal and acoustic insulation, as well as for fire prevention in construction and industry. Raw materials used in the production of GMW are

sand, limestone, soda ash and a high level of recycled glass (up to 80%). A bio-based binder, ECOSE, is spread on the fibers which polymerisation contributes to fix the product dimensions. The cured binder bonds the fibres together thus providing the necessary mat stability and mechanical strength.

### Reference service life

The RSL or durability of GMW 032 is as long as the lifetime of the building in which it is used.

## LCA: Calculation rules

### Declared Unit

The declared unit is 1 m<sup>3</sup> of glass mineral wool. The density used for the calculation of the LCA is 31 kg/m<sup>3</sup>.

### Declared unit

Name	Value	Unit
Declared unit	1	m <sup>3</sup>
Gross density	31	kg/m <sup>3</sup>
Conversion factor to 1 kg	0.032	-

### System boundary

The system boundary of the EPD follows the modular approach defined by /EN 15804/.

**The type of EPD is cradle-to-gate-with options.**

### List and explanation of the modules declared in the EPD.

**The product stage (A1-A3) includes:**

- A1 - raw material extraction and processing, processing of secondary material input (e.g. recycling processes),
- A2 - transport to the manufacturer and
- A3 - manufacturing.

This includes provision of all materials, products and energy, packaging processing and their transport, as well as waste processing up to the end-of waste state or disposal of final residues during the product stage. The LCA results are given in an aggregated form for the product stage, meaning that the modules A1, A2 and A3 are considered as **a unique module A1-A3**.

**The construction process stage** includes:

- A4 - transport to the construction site and
- A5 - installation into the building.

The transport to the building site (A4) is included in the LCA calculation. For GMW 032 rolls, the average transport distance is assumed to be 600 km with a truck capacity utilization of 70%.

Module A5 has neither been included nor declared in this EPD, since it depends on the application, and method or tools used which can be very diverse, as GMW 032 rolls are used in different external wall applications. Therefore, the treatment of the packaging waste after the installation of the product has not been considered.

### The use stage.

Because they are specific for the building, its use and location, none of the modules related to the

building maintenance and operation (B1 to B7) have been taken into account in this EPD.

**The end-of-life stage** includes:

- C1 - de-construction, demolition,
- C2 - transport to waste processing,
- C3 - waste processing for reuse, recovery and/or recycling and
- C4 - disposal.

This includes provision of all transports, materials, products and related energy and water use, but only modules C2 and C4 are reported, as they are considered the most relevant scenarios for glass mineral wool products.

Although glass mineral wool products from Knauf Insulation are partly recycled at end-of-life, there is not yet an established collection system and as such the assumption chosen in this study, 100% landfilled after the use phase, is the most conservative approach.

**Module D** includes re-use, recovery and/or recycling potentials.

According to /EN 15804/, any declared benefits and loads from net flows leaving the product system not allocated as co-products and having passed the end-of waste state shall be included in module D.

No benefits and loads are considered so module D is not included in the background model.

### Comparability

Basically, a comparison or an evaluation of EPD data is only possible if all the data sets to be compared were created according to /EN 15804/ and the building context, respectively the product-specific characteristics of performance, are taken into account.

## LCA: Scenarios and additional technical information

The following technical information can be used for the development of specific scenarios in the context of a building assessment.

### Transport to the building site (A4)

Name	Value	Unit
Litres of fuel	0.0025	l/100km
Transport distance	600	km
Capacity utilisation (including empty runs)	70	%
Gross density of products transported	31	kg/m <sup>3</sup>

### Reference service life

Name	Value	Unit
Reference service life	50	a

### End-of-life (C1 - C4)

Name	Value	Unit
Landfilling	31	kg
Transport distance	50	km
Capacity utilization	50	%

## LCA: Results

### DESCRIPTION OF THE SYSTEM BOUNDARY (X = INCLUDED IN LCA; MND = MODULE NOT DECLARED)

PRODUCT STAGE			CONSTRUCTION PROCESS STAGE		USE STAGE							END OF LIFE STAGE				BENEFITS AND LOADS BEYOND THE SYSTEM BOUNDARIES
Raw material supply	Transport	Manufacturing	Transport from the gate to the 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	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	X	MND	X	MND

### RESULTS OF THE LCA - ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT: 1 m<sup>3</sup> GMW 032 unfaced rolls

Parameter	Unit	A1 - A3	A4	C2	C4
Global warming potential	[kg CO <sub>2</sub> -Eq.]	30.200	1.740	0.103	0.420
Depletion potential of the stratospheric ozone layer	[kg CFC11-Eq.]	2.480E-8	8.320E-12	4.930E-13	5.710E-12
Acidification potential of land and water	[kg SO <sub>2</sub> -Eq.]	2.910E-1	4.780E-3	3.140E-4	2.670E-3
Eutrophication potential	[kg (PO <sub>4</sub> ) <sup>3-</sup> -Eq.]	5.080E-2	9.870E-4	6.640E-5	3.660E-4
Formation potential of tropospheric ozone photochemical oxidants	[kg Ethen Eq.]	1.600E-2	-1.230E-3	-8.890E-5	2.510E-4
Abiotic depletion potential for non fossil resources	[kg Sb Eq.]	1.870E-3	6.530E-8	3.870E-9	1.570E-7
Abiotic depletion potential for fossil resources	[MJ]	508.000	24.000	1.420	5.520

### RESULTS OF THE LCA - RESOURCE USE: 1 m<sup>3</sup> GMW 032 unfaced rolls

Parameter	Unit	A1 - A3	A4	C2	C4
Renewable primary energy as energy carrier	[MJ]	76.400	-	-	-
Renewable primary energy resources as material utilization	[MJ]	0.000	-	-	-
Total use of renewable primary energy resources	[MJ]	76.400	0.945	0.056	0.476
Non renewable primary energy as energy carrier	[MJ]	631.000	-	-	-
Non renewable primary energy as material utilization	[MJ]	43.200	-	-	-
Total use of non renewable primary energy resources	[MJ]	674.000	24.100	1.420	5.780
Use of secondary material	[kg]	25.700	-	-	-
Use of renewable secondary fuels	[MJ]	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Use of non renewable secondary fuels	[MJ]	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Use of net fresh water	[m <sup>3</sup> ]	2.150E-1	6.670E-4	3.950E-5	-2.200E-2

### RESULTS OF THE LCA – OUTPUT FLOWS AND WASTE CATEGORIES:

#### 1 m<sup>3</sup> GMW 032 unfaced rolls

Parameter	Unit	A1 - A3	A4	C2	C4
Hazardous waste disposed	[kg]	3.300E-2	5.480E-5	3.240E-6	2.590E-4
Non hazardous waste disposed	[kg]	1.290E+0	3.030E-3	1.790E-4	3.100E+1
Radioactive waste disposed	[kg]	6.580E-2	3.150E-5	1.860E-6	1.010E-4
Components for re-use	[kg]	-	-	-	-
Materials for recycling	[kg]	-	-	-	-
Materials for energy recovery	[kg]	-	-	-	-
Exported electrical energy	[MJ]	-	-	-	0.000
Exported thermal energy	[MJ]	-	-	-	0.000

## INTERPRETATION

### ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

All impacts category except the abiotic ADPe and ODP are dominated by the production (A3). This is due to the consumption of energy (electricity and thermal energy) during the production of glass mineral wool products. The **ADPe** (non fossil resources) is dominated by raw material production.

The **GWP** is dominated by the production, mostly due to energy consumption (gas and electricity). The raw materials and the transport to site also have some impact. The binder (bio-based) has overall no impact.

The **ODP** is influenced by raw materials, production and packaging.

The **AP** is dominated by the production due to the emissions related to the processes and the energy consumption. Mostly, the impact refers to emissions to air: sulphur dioxide, ammonia and nitrogen oxides.

The **EP** is significantly influenced by the production due to emissions from the furnace, curing oven, electricity consumption, and binder production.

The **POCP** is particularly dominated by the production (emissions in curing oven, electricity consumption). The results from the transport are negative due to the NO emissions; NO counteracts the POCP.

### RESOURCES USE

The primary energy demand from non-renewable resources is dominated by the production of glass mineral wool products (especially due to the energy consumption) and with little influence of raw materials, binder and packaging. The renewable energy demand is dominated by the binder (bio-based), the production (electricity mix) and the packaging (wood pallets).

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