



## How does it work?

The **European Certification Board** of mineral wool products, EUCEB ([www.euceb.org](http://www.euceb.org)), is a voluntary initiative by the mineral wool industry. It is a certification authority that guarantees that products are made of non-classified fibres under the European regulation, which means that they comply with the exoneration criteria (Note Q) of the Regulation (EC) N° 1272/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council.

To ensure that fibres comply with the exoneration criteria all tests and supervision procedures are carried out by qualified institutions and two independent experts. EUCEB also ensures that the producers of mineral wool have put in place self-control measures.

To get the EUCEB certification, a mineral wool manufacturing plant has to:

- Perform one of the tests defined in the Note Q in a laboratory recognized by EUCEB and in accordance with the European guidelines<sup>1</sup>. It can refer to a test done e.g. by its mother company. Then, the full test report is checked by the first EUCEB independent expert: compliance with the European guidelines, result fitting with Note Q criteria and chemical analysis of the tested fibres included in the report.
- Have contracts with both a sampling and an analysis institutes recognized by EUCEB so that:
  - a sample is taken twice a year by the independent sampling institute which sends it to the analysis institute. It also checks if internal control is in place which means if analysis of the chemical composition is done at least twice a month.
  - the sampling institute sends its reports to EUCEB.

Then the chemical composition of the sample is compared by the second independent expert to the chemical composition of the tested fibres; it has to be within the EUCEB chemical ranges. ([EUCEB chemical ranges](#)).

The EUCEB Quality Board<sup>2</sup> examines the presented documentation for completeness and accuracy taking into account the results controlled by the scientific experts. It consists of independent experts and mineral wool industry representatives. To guarantee neutrality, all decisions need at least two-third majority including the vote of the independent experts.

Finally, EUCEB delivers a certificate and the right to use the EUCEB logo on the packaging. This right is re-evaluated twice a year.

EUCEB is an ISO 9001 certified association.



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<sup>1</sup> Methods for the determination of the hazardous properties for human health of man-made mineral fibres (MMMMF), European Commission Joint Research Centre, Institute for Health and Consumer Protection, Unit: Toxicology and Chemical Substances, April 1999

<sup>2</sup> <http://www.euceb.org/about-euceb/who-s-who>  
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