



# **ENVIRONMENTAL PRODUCT DECLARATION** IN ACCORDANCE WITH EN 15804+A2 & ISO 14025 / ISO 21930

MDF Architrave Staircraft Group Ltd



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# **EPD STANDARDS, SCOPE AND VERIFICATION**

Program operator	EPD Hub, hub@epdhub.com
Reference standard	EN 15804+A2:2019 and ISO 14025
PCR	EPD Hub Core PCR version 1.0, 1 Feb 2022
Sector	Construction product
Category of EPD	Third party verified EPD
Scope of the EPD	Cradle to gate with options, A4-A5, and modules C1-C4, D
EPD author	Ben Humphries
EPD verification	Independent verification of this EPD and data, according to ISO 14025: ☐ Internal certification ☑ External verification
EPD verifier	Magaly González Vázquez, as an authorized verifier acting for EPD Hub Limited

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### PRODUCT

Product name	Architrave Ogee Profile
Additional labels	Architrave Torus/Chamfered/Pencil Profile
Product reference	-
Place of production	Coventry, UK
Period for data	01/06/21 - 31/05/22
Averaging in EPD	Multiple products
Variation in GWP-fossil for A1-A3	-45.5%

# **ENVIRONMENTAL DATA SUMMARY**

Declared unit	1 metre of installed Architrave
Declared unit mass	0.9315 kg
GWP-fossil, A1-A3 (kgCO2e)	8.22E-01
GWP-total, A1-A3 (kgCO2e)	-1.86E-01
Secondary material, inputs (%)	0.16
Secondary material, outputs (%)	0.0
Total energy use, A1-A3 (kWh)	11.0
Total water use, A1-A3 (m3e)	2.15E-02

### Note:

The declared unit was chosen as 1 metre to enable the LCA data established for the fixed size of representative architrave chosen in this EPD to be scaled to suit architraves of any length.





# **PRODUCT AND MANUFACTURER**

# **ABOUT THE MANUFACTURER**

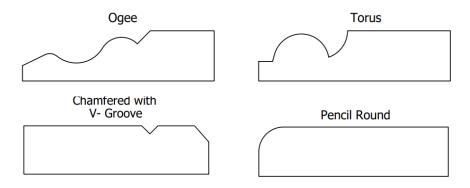
Staircraft are the world's largest manufacturer of timber staircases, as well as supplying integrated timber floors, internal door-kits and MDF profiles to the UK residential housing sector. We operate from 4 manufacturing sites in the Midlands, covering over 405 000 sq. ft.

Our team are passionate about innovation and sustainability. Using the latest CNC technology our products are designed to minimise waste, and create efficient, hassle-free and safe solutions for tradespeople to install.

### **PRODUCT DESCRIPTION**

Our Architraves are manufactured from MDF for use as surrounds to internal door frames in domestic construction. They are moulded into one of the following shapes: Ogee, Torus, Chamfered, Pencil (illustrated below) to suit client requirements, and are supplied pre-painted in 4.4m lengths, to be cut to size on site to fit individual door frame dimensions.

The reference product used in this EPD is a 4.4m long x 69mm wide x 18mm deep Ogee profile architrave, which is the most common product we supply. This is used to derive LCA parameters on a per metre basis in this EPD, so they can be scaled to suit any length of architrave used. The primary LCA parameters for the alternative architrave configurations we supply are also included in the Annex to this EPD on a per metre basis.



Comprehensive further information can be found on our Architraves, as well as other products we manufacture, at https://staircraftgroup.com

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#### **PRODUCT RAW MATERIAL MAIN COMPOSITION**

Raw material category	Amount, mass- %	Material origin
Metals	-	-
Minerals	-	-
Fossil materials	-	-
Bio-based materials	100	UK & Ireland

# **BIOGENIC CARBON CONTENT**

Product's biogenic carbon content at the factory gate

Biogenic carbon content in product, kg C	0.314
Biogenic carbon content in packaging, kg C	0

### FUNCTIONAL UNIT AND SERVICE LIFE

Declared unit	1 metre of installed Architrave
Mass per declared unit	0.9315 kg
Functional unit	
Reference service life	60 years

# SUBSTANCES, REACH - VERY HIGH CONCERN

The product does not contain any REACH SVHC substances in amounts greater than 0,1 % (1000 ppm).





# **PRODUCT LIFE-CYCLE**

# SYSTEM BOUNDARY

This EPD covers the life-cycle modules listed in the following table.

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A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	<b>B</b> 3	B4	B5	<b>B6</b>	<b>B6</b>	B7	<b>C</b> 1	C2	C3	C4		D		
x	x	x	x	x	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	x	x	x	x		x	(		
Raw materials	Transport	Manufacturing	Transport	Assembly	Use	Maintenance	Repair	Replacement	Refurbishment	Operational energy use	Operational water use	Deconstruction/demolition	Transport	Waste processing	Disposal	Reuse	Recovery	Recycling		

Modules not declared = MND. Modules not relevant = MNR.

### **MANUFACTURING AND PACKAGING (A1-A3)**

The environmental impacts considered for this product stage cover the manufacturing of raw materials used in the production as well as packaging materials and other ancillary materials. Also, fuels used by machines, and handling of waste formed in the production processes at the manufacturing facilities are included in this stage. The study also considers the material losses occurring during the manufacturing processes as well as losses during electricity transmission.

Our architrave manufacturing and supply process is summarised in the flowchart overleaf. MDF boards are procured and shipped to our factory and then stored in racking. The boards are then cut into strips on a ripsaw; the number of strips determined by the width of the architrave being produced. These strips of MDF are then moulded to their required shape (Pencil, Ogee, Torus, or Chamfered). The moulded pieces are then fladded to smooth the surface prior to painting. Before painting, the strips are preheated to aid paint application and drying, then paint is applied to all 4 sides. Once the paint has dried, the strips are fladded again before being preheated in preparation for a second coat of paint. Once the second coat has dried, the lengths are then pre-heated for a third and final time before the final coat of paint is applied. Once this has dried, the completed architraves are packaged together using LDPE film (pack sizes are determined by length dimensions), banded using PET bands and then loaded for dispatch.

Waste minimisation is an integral part of the Architrave manufacturing process, with the only waste being dust which is bagged and sold to a third party who re-uses it as animal bedding.

### **TRANSPORT AND INSTALLATION (A4-A5)**

Transportation impacts occurred from final products delivery to distribution centres or construction sites (A4) cover fuel direct exhaust emissions, environmental impacts of fuel production, as well as related infrastructure emissions.

Our architraves are delivered to distribution centres or customer sites using a mixture of vehicle sizes/types depending upon delivery date requirements. Vehicle types and delivery sizes are chosen to optimise load size, fuel efficiency and mileage travelled. Transportation impacts incurred during delivery to site (A4) cover direct fuel exhaust emissions, environmental impacts of fuel production, as well as related infrastructure emissions.

Site installation (A5) of the architraves can be carried out using rechargeable drills and saws. A 7.4% site waste assumption has been adopted in this EPD during Stage 5, based on feedback on the use of our 4.4m long architraves in practical application.

### **PRODUCT USE AND MAINTENANCE (B1-B7)**

This EPD does not cover the use phase. Air, soil, and water impacts during the use phase have not been studied.

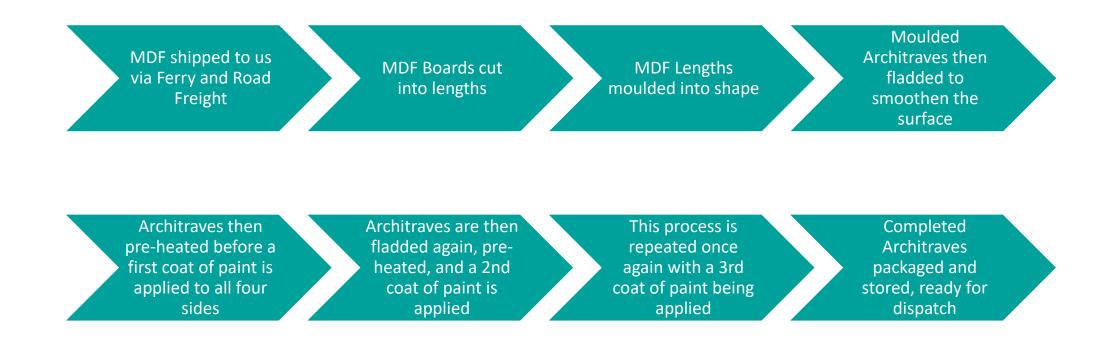
### **PRODUCT END OF LIFE (C1-C4, D)**

Our architraves are installed in single and multi-occupancy dwellings where the end-of-life process for demolition and waste removal/recycling is either unknown or unclear. We have therefore assumed a worse-case scenario whereby the products we have supplied are sent to landfill at the end-of-life.





# **MANUFACTURING PROCESS**







# LIFE-CYCLE ASSESSMENT

# **CUT-OFF CRITERIA**

The study does not exclude any modules or processes which are stated mandatory in the reference standard and the applied PCR. The study does not exclude any hazardous materials or substances. The study includes all major raw material and energy consumption. All inputs and outputs of the unit processes, for which data is available for, are included in the calculation. There is no neglected unit process more than 1% of total mass or energy flows. The module specific total neglected input and output flows also do not exceed 5% of energy usage or mass.

## ALLOCATION, ESTIMATES AND ASSUMPTIONS

Allocation is required if some material, energy, and waste data cannot be measured separately for the product under investigation. All allocations are done as per the reference standards and the applied PCR. In this study, allocation has been done in the following ways:

Data type	Allocation
Raw materials	No allocation
Packaging materials	Allocated by mass or volume
Ancillary materials	Allocated by mass or volume
Manufacturing energy and waste	Allocated by mass or volume

### AVERAGES AND VARIABILITY

Type of average	Multiple Products
Averaging method	Representative product
Variation in GWP-fossil for A1-A3	-45.5%

This EPD is based on a representative product with the highest sales volume. The variation for GWP Fossils for A1 - A3 for this group of products is -45.5% between the highest and lowest products.

# LCA SOFTWARE AND BIBLIOGRAPHY

This EPD has been created using One Click LCA EPD Generator. The LCA and EPD have been prepared according to the reference standards and ISO 14040/14044. Ecoinvent v3.8 and One Click LCA databases were used as sources of environmental data.





# **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT DATA**

### **CORE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT INDICATORS – EN 15804+A2**

Impact category	Unit	A1	A2	A3	A1-A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	B7	C1	C2	С3	C4	D
GWP – total <sup>1)</sup>	kg CO <sub>2</sub> e	-4.31E-01	4.93E-04	2.45E-01	-1.86E-01	8.97E-07	7.75E-02	MND	3.31E-03	2.68E-03	0.00E+00	9.86E-01	0.00E+00						
GWP – fossil	kg CO <sub>2</sub> e	6.84E-01	4.93E-04	1.37E-01	8.22E-01	8.97E-07	1.13E-03	MND	3.31E-03	2.68E-03	0.00E+00	1.89E-02	0.00E+00						
GWP – biogenic	kg CO <sub>2</sub> e	-1.15E+00	4.90E-08	1.08E-01	-1.04E+00	0.00E+00	7.63E-02	MND	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	9.67E-01	0.00E+00						
GWP – LULUC	kg CO <sub>2</sub> e	3.54E-02	1.92E-07	1.32E-05	3.54E-02	3.31E-10	9.20E-07	MND	3.30E-07	9.89E-07	0.00E+00	1.23E-05	0.00E+00						
Ozone depletion pot.	kg CFC-11e	9.08E-08	1.11E-10	2.26E-08	1.13E-07	2.06E-13	2.91E-10	MND	7.07E-10	6.17E-10	0.00E+00	3.69E-09	0.00E+00						
Acidification potential	mol H⁺e	6.35E-03	2.34E-06	7.06E-04	7.06E-03	3.80E-09	7.75E-06	MND	3.44E-05	1.13E-05	0.00E+00	9.65E-05	0.00E+00						
EP-freshwater <sup>2)</sup>	kg Pe	6.73E-06	4.00E-09	1.05E-06	7.78E-06	7.34E-12	1.73E-08	MND	1.10E-08	2.19E-08	0.00E+00	2.31E-07	0.00E+00						
EP-marine	kg Ne	1.46E-03	6.40E-07	1.59E-04	1.62E-03	1.13E-09	4.78E-06	MND	1.52E-05	3.37E-06	0.00E+00	5.84E-05	0.00E+00						
EP-terrestrial	mol Ne	1.88E-02	7.07E-06	2.56E-03	2.14E-02	1.25E-08	2.84E-05	MND	1.67E-04	3.72E-05	0.00E+00	3.44E-04	0.00E+00						
POCP ("smog") <sup>3)</sup>	kg NMVOCe	5.15E-03	2.23E-06	4.84E-04	5.64E-03	3.98E-09	1.01E-05	MND	4.59E-05	1.19E-05	0.00E+00	1.21E-04	0.00E+00						
ADP-minerals & metals <sup>4)</sup>	kg Sbe	9.93E-06	1.28E-09	2.12E-08	9.95E-06	2.10E-12	3.24E-09	MND	1.68E-09	6.28E-09	0.00E+00	5.29E-08	0.00E+00						
ADP-fossil resources	MJ	1.23E+01	7.31E-03	2.15E-01	1.25E+01	1.35E-05	2.17E-02	MND	4.45E-02	4.03E-02	0.00E+00	2.68E-01	0.00E+00						
Water use <sup>5)</sup>	m³e depr.	8.29E-01	3.23E-05	1.07E-01	9.36E-01	6.03E-08	1.26E-04	MND	1.20E-04	1.80E-04	0.00E+00	2.12E-03	0.00E+00						

1) GWP = Global Warming Potential; 2) EP = Eutrophication potential. Required characterisation method and data are in kg P-eq. Multiply by 3,07 to get PO4e; 3) POCP = Photochemical ozone formation; 4) ADP = Abiotic depletion potential; 5) EN 15804+A2 disclaimer for Abiotic depletion and Water use and optional indicators except Particulate matter and Ionizing radiation, human health. The results of these environmental impact indicators shall be used with care as the uncertainties on these results are high or as there is limited experience with the indicator.





# ADDITIONAL (OPTIONAL) ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT INDICATORS – EN 15804+A2, PEF

Impact category	Unit	A1	A2	A3	A1-A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	B7	C1	C2	С3	C4	D
Particulate matter	Incidence	1.27E-07	5.15E-11	5.38E-09	1.32E-07	1.03E-13	1.62E-10	MND	9.22E-10	3.09E-10	0.00E+00	1.82E-09	0.00E+00						
Ionizing radiation <sup>6)</sup>	kBq U235e	2.91E-02	3.46E-05	4.26E-02	7.18E-02	6.41E-08	1.05E-04	MND	2.05E-04	1.92E-04	0.00E+00	1.31E-03	0.00E+00						
Ecotoxicity (freshwater)	CTUe	1.90E+01	6.55E-03	1.18E+00	2.02E+01	1.21E-05	2.17E-02	MND	2.68E-02	3.62E-02	0.00E+00	4.00E-01	0.00E+00						
Human toxicity, cancer	CTUh	2.19E-09	1.72E-13	2.31E-11	2.22E-09	2.98E-16	6.74E-13	MND	1.03E-12	8.90E-13	0.00E+00	9.11E-12	0.00E+00						
Human tox. non-cancer	CTUh	1.45E-08	6.32E-12	7.45E-10	1.53E-08	1.20E-14	2.19E-11	MND	1.94E-11	3.58E-11	0.00E+00	3.02E-10	0.00E+00						
SQP <sup>7)</sup>	-	1.26E+02	7.47E-03	1.02E-01	1.26E+02	1.55E-05	4.84E-02	MND	5.79E-03	4.64E-02	0.00E+00	5.72E-01	0.00E+00						

6) EN 15804+A2 disclaimer for lonizing radiation, human health. 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; 7) SQP = Land use related impacts/soil quality.

### **USE OF NATURAL RESOURCES**

Impact category	Unit	A1	A2	A3	A1-A3	A4	A5	B1	<b>B2</b>	B3	B4	B5	B6	B7	C1	C2	С3	C4	D
Renew. PER as energy <sup>8)</sup>	MJ	2.41E+01	8.25E-05	3.78E-01	2.44E+01	1.52E-07	3.80E-04	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	2.54E-04	4.54E-04	0.00E+00	5.32E-03	0.00E+00
Renew. PER as material	MJ	1.25E-01	0.00E+00	1.96E-04	1.25E-01	0.00E+00	-1.96E-04	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	-1.25E-01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
Total use of renew. PER	MJ	2.42E+01	8.25E-05	3.79E-01	2.46E+01	1.52E-07	1.84E-04	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	2.54E-04	4.54E-04	-1.25E-01	5.32E-03	0.00E+00
Non-re. PER as energy	MJ	1.25E+01	7.31E-03	2.79E+00	1.53E+01	1.35E-05	2.17E-02	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	4.45E-02	4.03E-02	0.00E+00	2.68E-01	0.00E+00
Non-re. PER as material	MJ	7.12E-01	0.00E+00	-1.42E-02	6.97E-01	0.00E+00	-8.71E-02	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	-8.76E-02	-5.23E-01	0.00E+00
Total use of non-re. PER	MJ	1.32E+01	7.31E-03	2.77E+00	1.60E+01	1.35E-05	-6.53E-02	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	4.45E-02	4.03E-02	-8.76E-02	-2.55E-01	0.00E+00
Secondary materials	kg	1.49E-03	2.15E-06	6.52E-05	1.56E-03	3.74E-09	7.52E-06	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	1.74E-05	1.12E-05	0.00E+00	1.36E-04	0.00E+00
Renew. secondary fuels	MJ	1.89E-05	2.28E-08	1.98E-05	3.87E-05	3.77E-11	2.64E-07	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	5.70E-08	1.13E-07	0.00E+00	3.50E-06	0.00E+00
Non-ren. secondary fuels	MJ	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
Use of net fresh water	m <sup>3</sup>	2.04E-02	9.17E-07	1.12E-03	2.15E-02	1.74E-09	2.03E-05	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	2.70E-06	5.21E-06	0.00E+00	3.24E-04	0.00E+00

8) PER = Primary energy resources.





## END OF LIFE – WASTE

Impact category	Unit	A1	A2	A3	A1-A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	B7	C1	C2	С3	C4	D
Hazardous waste	kg	1.68E-02	9.89E-06	1.78E-03	1.86E-02	1.79E-08	4.23E-06	MND	5.96E-05	5.34E-05	0.00E+00	4.67E-03	0.00E+00						
Non-hazardous waste	kg	5.73E-01	1.59E-04	4.68E-02	6.20E-01	2.93E-07	7.55E-02	MND	4.19E-04	8.77E-04	0.00E+00	9.47E-01	0.00E+00						
Radioactive waste	kg	2.98E-05	4.89E-08	1.75E-05	4.73E-05	9.01E-11	2.13E-08	MND	3.13E-07	2.69E-07	0.00E+00	2.16E-07	0.00E+00						

# END OF LIFE – OUTPUT FLOWS

Impact category	Unit	A1	A2	A3	A1-A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	B7	C1	C2	С3	C4	D
Components for re-use	kg	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.06E-01	1.06E-01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	MND	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00						
Materials for recycling	kg	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	9.86E-07	9.86E-07	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	MND	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00						
Materials for energy rec	kg	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	MND	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00						
Exported energy	MJ	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	MND	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00						





# **VERIFICATION STATEMENT**

# **VERIFICATION PROCESS FOR THIS EPD**

This EPD has been verified in accordance with ISO 14025 by an independent, third-party verifier by reviewing results, documents and compliancy with reference standard, ISO 14025 and ISO 14040/14044, following the process and checklists of the program operator for:

- This Environmental Product Declaration
- The Life-Cycle Assessment used in this EPD
- The digital background data for this EPD

Why does verification transparency matter? <u>Read more online</u> This EPD has been generated by One Click LCA EPD generator, which has been verified and approved by the EPD Hub.

# THIRD-PARTY VERIFICATION STATEMENT

I hereby confirm that, following detailed examination, I have not established any relevant deviations by the studied Environmental Product Declaration (EPD), its LCA and project report, in terms of the data collected and used in the LCA calculations, the way the LCA-based calculations have been carried out, the presentation of environmental data in the EPD, and other additional environmental information, as present with respect to the procedural and methodological requirements in ISO 14025:2010 and reference standard.

I confirm that the company-specific data has been examined as regards plausibility and consistency; the declaration owner is responsible for its factual integrity and legal compliance.

I confirm that I have sufficient knowledge and experience of construction products, this specific product category, the construction industry, relevant standards, and the geographical area of the EPD to carry out this verification.

I confirm my independence in my role as verifier; I have not been involved in the execution of the LCA or in the development of the declaration and have no conflicts of interest regarding this verification.

Magaly González Vázquez, as an authorized verifier acting for EPD Hub Limited

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# ANNEX

The LCA parameters of primary importance to specifiers, for the other sizes and shapes of architrave we manufacture as alternatives to the reference architrave included in the body of this EPD, are given in the table below on a per metre basis, together with illustrations of the various profile shapes:

	GWP-Tot	GWP-Fossil (kg CO2e per metre installed)		
Architrave Size/Type	Cradle to Gate A1-A3	Cradle to Installation A1-A5	Cradle to Grave A1-C4	A1-A3
18 x 69 x 4400 Ogee/Chamfered/Torus/Pencil Profile (Reference Architrave)	-0.186	-0.108	0.884	0.822
18 x 44 x 4400 Pencil Profile	-0.094	-0.045	0.587	0.547
14.5 x 44 x 4400 Pencil/Chamfered Profile	-0.064	-0.023	0.505	0.448

