

AIR TO MEDIA GUIDE

Dust Type	Explosive	Abrasive	Controlled Environment	Fire	A/C Ratio	Dust Type	Explosive	Abrasive	Controlled Environment	Fire	A/C Ratio
Abrasive Blasting		✓				Detergents	✓		✓	✓	2.2
• Black Beauty		✓			1.4	Diatomaceous earth					2.5
• All others		✓			1.8	Dyes	✓			✓	1.3
Activated carbon					2.5	Fertilizer	✓		✓	✓	2.2*
Alfalfa	✓			✓	3.0	Fiberboard	✓			✓	3.0
Alumina					2.5	Fiberglass	✓				3.5
Ambient air filtration					3.5	Flour	✓		✓	✓	2.0
Arc washing (Gouging)				✓	*	Fly ash		✓			1.8
Asbestos					3.3	Frit		✓			1.8
Baking powder			✓		2.5	Furnaces					*
Barley (see Grain)				✓		Grain	✓			✓	
Bauxite		✓			2.0	• Corn	✓			✓	3.5
Beet pulp	✓	✓		✓	-	• Rice		✓		✓	3.5
Bentonite		✓	✓		2.0	Granite		✓			2.0
Beryllium					2.0	Graphite				✓	2.0
Boric acid					1.8	Grinding					
Bran	✓			✓	3.5	• Aluminum	✓			✓	2.0
Brazing				✓	2.2	• Bake shoe				✓	3.5
Buffing & polishing				✓	3.5*	• Cast iron		✓		✓	1.8
Calcium carbonate					1.8	• Composites				✓	3.5
Carbon black	✓			✓		• Rubber				✓	3.8
• Fused	✓			✓	1.1	• Steel		✓		✓	2.0
• Sintered	✓			✓	1.9	• Titanium		✓		✓	1.0
Cardboard					3.5	Gypsum					2.5
Cement		✓			1.8	Iron oxide (Rust)					1.8
Ceramic		✓	✓		1.8	Kaolin					1.5
Chaff, grain	✓	✓		✓	3.5	Lead oxide					1.1
Chromium					1.5	Lead powder					1.5
Clay (& Brick & Marble)		✓			1.8	Leather	✓			✓	3.5
Coal	✓	✓		✓	1.8	Lime					2.5
Cocoa	✓		✓	✓	1.8	Lime, hydrated					1.8
Coffee	✓			✓	1.8	Limestone					2.5
Coke	✓	✓		✓	1.7	Lignite	✓			✓	2.0
Composites					3.5	Malt	✓		✓	✓	3.0
Corn meal	✓			✓	3.0	Meal	✓			✓	3.0
Corn starch	✓		✓	✓	2.5	Metal, powdered					2.5
Corn sugar				✓	2.0	Metallizing				✓	
Cutting				✓		• Electric arc spray				✓	.04
• Laser				✓		• Plasma arc spray				✓	1.2
• Metal				✓	1.1	• Powder flame spray				✓	1.2
• Non-metal				✓	1.1	• Wire flame spray				✓	1.2
• Oxyacetylene				✓	1.4-1.7						
• Plasma				✓	1.1						

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Metallic fume					1.1	Soldering (Welding)					1.8
Mica (Rock)	✓		✓	✓	2.0	Soybean (Grain)	✓			✓	3.0
Milk solids (Powders)					3.0	Soybean meal	✓			✓	3.0
Oyster shell		✓			1.8	Starch	✓		✓	✓	2.4
Paint pigments	✓			✓	2.0	Surgical starch	✓		✓	✓	1.0
Paper	✓			✓	3.5	Sugar (Glazed bags)	✓		✓	✓	2.0
Pharmaceutical	✓		✓	✓		Talc					2.0
• Dry Powder	✓		✓	✓	2.0	Talcum powder					2.0
• Coating	✓		✓	✓	2.0	Titanium (see application)	✓	✓		✓	1.8
Plaster			✓		2.5	Titanium dioxide					2.2
Powder coating	✓	✓		✓		Tobacco	✓			✓	3.0
• Black	✓	✓		✓	1.0	Toner	✓			✓	1.2
• White & colors	✓			✓	2.5						
• Teflon	✓			✓	1.8	Weld fume				✓	1.8
Quartz		✓			3.0	• Source capture				✓	1.7
Rice	✓	✓		✓	2.0	Laser welding				✓	1.7
Rock, mineral					3.0	Plasma arc welding	✓			✓	2.2
Rubber	✓			✓	1.8	All others				✓	3.5
Rye (Grain)	✓			✓	3.5	• Ambient				✓	2.1
Salicylic Acid	✓			✓	1.8	Laser welding				✓	2.1
Salt (Mineral)		✓	✓		3.5	Plasma arc welding				✓	2.8
Sand (Non foundry)		✓			2.2	All others				✓	2.2
Sand (Foundry)		✓			2.0	Weld fume, soldering				✓	3.0
Selenium					1.8	Wheat (Grain)	✓			✓	
Shale (Rock)		✓			2.0	Woodworking	✓			✓	
Silica		✓			2.5	• Sanding	✓			✓	4.0
Silica, fumed					0.8	• High speed cutting	✓			✓	4.0
Silicates					2.2	• Low speed cutting & paning				✓	-
Slate (Rock)		✓			2.0						
Soapstone					2.2						
Soda ash		✓			2.0						

Controlled Environment = 70° F (21° C). 40% RH
 Explosive = Vents Required
 Abrasive = AR Inlets Required
 Fire = Sprinkler Header / Fire Media

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