

# SWARCOBLAST Glass Blasting Beads

## Technical information

### Main characteristics

**SWARCOBLAST glass blasting beads** are a non-metallic mineral fine blasting medium made of glass. The blasting beads are suitable for gentle cleaning, deburring, smoothing, matting, solidifying surfaces and reduction of surface roughness of metallic and austenitic materials.

### Available grain size

Sieving range	μm	1-50	200-300
		40-70	200-400
		50-105	300-400
		70-110	400-600
		90-150	400-800
		100-200	600-800
		150-250	

Further customized particle-size distributions are possible upon request.

### Product information

Property	Typical value	Unit
Roundness	> 80	%
Bulk weight	~1,5	g/cm <sup>3</sup>
Specific weight	2,5	g/cm <sup>3</sup>
Hardness	~6	acc to. Mohs
	~46-58	acc to. Rockwell
	~645	acc to. Vickers

Processing pressure of glass blasting beads should not exceed 4 bar.

### Chemical composition

SWARCOBLAST glass blasting beads are melted from soda lime glass:

Property	Typical value	Unit
SiO <sub>2</sub>	65-75	%
Na <sub>2</sub> O	10-20	%
CaO	5-15	%
MgO	0-10	%
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0-10	%
K <sub>2</sub> O	0-3	%
BaO	0-3	%
Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0-3	%

## Packaging

- In 25 kg paper bags (with poly-inner bag).
- Packaging in 500 – 1.000 (\*) – 1.250 kg big bags is available upon customer request.

(\*) Only possible at SWARCO VESTGLAS (DE-Recklinghausen).

## Storage

- Store products in closed, dry warehouses.
- Shelf life in original packaging:
  - < 100 µm: 6 months
  - ≥ 100 µm: 12 months
- Protect from frost, overheating, and direct sunlight.
- Ideally, SWARCOBLAST glass blasting beads should be moved to the processing hall the day before to ensure optimal adaptation to the ambient temperature and dry processing.

**Important information:** For technical production reasons, foreign impurities, additives and oversized grains up to max. 0.1 wt% can occur. Dust content or undersized particles (unless otherwise stated in the sieve curve) are possible up to 0.5 wt%.

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