SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

Product Name: Chromium Carbide

Product Number: All applicable American Elements product codes, e.g. CR-C-02, CR-C-025, CR-C-03, CR-C-035, CR-C-04, CR-C-05

CAS #: 12012-35-0

Relevant identified uses of the substance: Scientific research and development

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SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Classification of the substance or mixture in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)
GHS02 Flame
Flam. Sol. 2 H228 Flammable solid.
Hazards not otherwise classified No data available
GHS label elements, including precautionary statements
Hazard pictograms

GHS02
Signal word Warning
Hazard statements
H228 Flammable solid.
Precautionary statements
P210 Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. No smoking.
P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.
P240 Ground/bond container and receiving equipment.
P241 Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting/equipment.
P370+P378 In case of fire: Use for extinction: CO2, powder or water spray.
WHMIS classification
B4 - Flammable solid
Classification system
HMIS ratings (scale 0-4)
(Hazardous Materials Identification System)
HEALTH
FIRE
REACTIVITY
1
2
1
Health (acute effects) = 1
Flammability = 2
Physical Hazard = 1
Other hazards
Results of PBT and vPvB assessment
PBT: N/A
vPvB: N/A

SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Substances
CAS No. / Substance Name:
12012-35-0 Chromium carbide
Identification number(s):
EC number: 234-576-1

SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Description of first aid measures
If inhaled:
Supply patient with fresh air. If not breathing, provide artificial respiration. Keep patient warm.
Seek immediate medical advice.
In case of skin contact:
Immediately wash with soap and water; rinse thoroughly.
Seek immediate medical advice.
In case of eye contact:
Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. Consult a physician.
If swallowed:
Seek medical treatment.
Information for doctor
Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed:
No data available
Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed:
No data available

SECTION 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

Extinguishing media
Suitable extinguishing agents CO2, sand, extinguishing powder. Do not use water.  
Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture
Contact with water releases flammable gases
If this product is involved in a fire, the following can be released:
Toxic metal oxide fume
Flammable gases/vapors
Advice for firefighters
Protective equipment:
Wear self-contained respirator.
Wear fully protective impervious suit.

SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures
Use personal protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.
Ensure adequate ventilation
Keep away from ignition sources
Environmental precautions: Do not allow material to be released to the environment without official permits.
Methods and materials for containment and cleanup:
Keep away from ignition sources.
Ensure adequate ventilation.
Prevention of secondary hazards: Keep away from ignition sources.
Reference to other sections
See Section 7 for information on safe handling
See Section 8 for information on personal protection equipment.
See Section 13 for disposal information.

SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling
Precautions for safe handling
Keep container tightly sealed.
Store in cool, dry place in tightly closed containers.
Ensure good ventilation at the workplace.
Information about protection against explosions and fires:
Protect from humidity and water.
Protect against electrostatic charges.
Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities
Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles: Store in a cool location.
Information about storage in one common storage facility: No data available
Further information about storage conditions:
Keep container tightly sealed.
Store in cool, dry conditions in well-sealed containers.
Specific end use(s) No data available

SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Additional information about design of technical systems:
Properly operating chemical fume hood designed for hazardous chemicals and having an average
face velocity of at least 100 feet per minute.

Control parameters
Components with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace:
Chromium (II) compounds, as Cr
mg/m3
Belgium TWA 0.5
Denmark TWA 0.5
Finland TWA 0.01
France TWA 0.5
Ireland TWA 0.5
Sweden TWA 0.5
United Kingdom TWA 0.5
USA PEL 0.5
Additional information: No data

Exposure controls
Personal protective equipment
Follow typical protective and hygienic practices for handling chemicals.
Keep away from foodstuffs, beverages and feed.
Remove all soiled and contaminated clothing immediately.
Wash hands before breaks and at the end of work.
Maintain an ergonomically appropriate working environment.
Breathing equipment: Use suitable respirator when high concentrations are present.
Protection of hands:
Impervious gloves
Inspect gloves prior to use.
The selection of suitable gloves not only depends on the material, but also on quality. Quality will vary from manufacturer to manufacturer.
Penetration time of glove material (in minutes) No data available
Eye protection: Safety glasses
Body protection: Protective work clothing.

SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Information on basic physical and chemical properties
Appearance:
Form: Powder or solid in various forms
Color: Grey
Odor: Odorless
Odor threshold: No data available.
pH: N/A
Melting point/Melting range: 1890 °C (3434 °F)
Boiling point/Boiling range: 3800 °C (6872 °F)
Sublimation temperature / start: No data available
Flash point: N/A
Flammability (solid, gas) Highly flammable.
Ignition temperature: No data available
Decomposition temperature: No data available
Autoignition: No data available.
Danger of explosion: No data available.
Explosion limits:
Lower: No data available
Upper: No data available
Vapor pressure: N/A
Density at 20 °C (68 °F): 6.68 g/cm³ (55.745 lbs/gal)
Relative density No data available.
Vapor density N/A
Evaporation rate N/A
Solubility in / Miscibility with
Water: No data available
Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water): No data available.
Viscosity:
Dynamic: N/A
Kinematic: N/A
Other information No data available

SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity No data available
Chemical stability Stable under recommended storage conditions.
Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided: Decomposition will not occur if used and stored according to specifications.
Possibility of hazardous reactions No dangerous reactions known
Conditions to avoid No data available
Incompatible materials:
Bases
No data available
Hazardous decomposition products:
Methane
Toxic metal oxide fume

SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Information on toxicological effects
Acute toxicity: No effects known.
LD/LC50 values that are relevant for classification: No data
Skin irritation or corrosion: Irritant to skin and mucous membranes.
Eye irritation or corrosion: Irritating effect.
Sensitization: No sensitizing effects known.
Germ cell mutagenicity: No effects known.
Carcinogenicity: No classification data on carcinogenic properties of this material is available from the EPA, IARC, NTP, OSHA or ACGIH.
Reproductive toxicity: No effects known.
Specific target organ system toxicity - repeated exposure: No effects known.
Specific target organ system toxicity - single exposure: No effects known.
Aspiration hazard: No effects known.
Subacute to chronic toxicity:
Chromium powder, chromium (II) and chromium (III) compounds may cause nausea, diarrhea, vomiting, skin and eye irritation and pneumoconiosis. Although less likely than Cr(VI) compounds, the NTP considers all chromium to be potentially carcinogenic.
Subacute to chronic toxicity: No effects known.
Additional toxicological information: To the best of our knowledge the acute and chronic toxicity of this substance is not fully known.
SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Toxicity
Aquatic toxicity: No data available
Persistence and degradability No data available
Bioaccumulative potential No data available
Mobility in soil No data available
Additional ecological information:
Do not allow material to be released to the environment without official permits.
Do not allow undiluted product or large quantities to reach groundwater, water courses, or sewage systems.
Avoid transfer into the environment.
Results of PBT and vPvB assessment
PBT: N/A
vPvB: N/A
Other adverse effects No data available

SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste treatment methods
Recommendation Consult official regulations to ensure proper disposal.
Uncleaned packagings:
Recommendation: Disposal must be made according to official regulations.

SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

UN-Number
DOT, IMDG, IATA UN3178
UN proper shipping name
DOT Flammable solid, inorganic, n.o.s. (chromium carbide)
IMDG, IATA FLAMMABLE SOLID, INORGANIC, N.O.S. (chromium carbide)
Transport hazard class(es)
DOT
Class 4.1 Flammable solids, self-reactive substances and solid desensitised explosives.
Label 4.1
Class 4.1 (F3) Flammable solids, self-reactive substances and solid desensitised explosives
Label 4.1
IMDG, IATA
Class 4.1 Flammable solids, self-reactive substances and solid desensitised explosives.
Label 4.1
Packing group
DOT, IMDG, IATA III
Environmental hazards: N/A
Special precautions for user Warning: Flammable solids, self-reactive substances and solid desensitised explosives
Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code N/A
Transport/Additional information:
DOT
SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture
GHS label elements, including precautionary statements
Hazard pictograms
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National regulations
All components of this product are listed in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Toxic Substances Control Act Chemical substance Inventory.
All components of this product are listed on the Canadian Domestic Substances List (DSL).
SARA Section 313 (specific toxic chemical listings)
12012-35-0 Chromium carbide
California Proposition 65
Prop 65 - Chemicals known to cause cancer Substance is not listed.
Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity Substance is not listed.
Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity, female Substance is not listed.
Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity, male Substance is not listed.
Information about limitation of use:
For use only by technically qualified individuals.
This product contains chromium and is subject to the reporting requirements of section 313 of the Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know Act of 1986 and 40CFR372.
Other regulations, limitations and prohibitive regulations
Substance of Very High Concern (SVHC) according to the REACH Regulations (EC) No. 1907/2006. Substance is not listed.
The conditions of restrictions according to Article 67 and Annex XVII of the Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 (REACH) for the manufacturing, placing on the market and use must be observed.
Substance is not listed.
Annex XIV of the REACH Regulations (requiring Authorisation for use) Substance is not listed.
Chemical safety assessment: A Chemical Safety Assessment has not been carried out.

SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION

Safety Data Sheet according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 (REACH). The above information is believed to be correct but does not purport to be all inclusive and shall be used only as a guide. The information in this document is based on the present state of our knowledge and is applicable to the product with regard to appropriate safety precautions. It does not represent any guarantee of the properties of the product. American Elements shall not be held liable for any damage resulting from
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