

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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## SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

**Product Name:** Cobalt Particles

**Product Number:** All applicable American Elements product codes, e.g. CO-M-02-PTCS , CO-M-03-PTCS , CO-M-04-PTCS , CO-M-05-PTCS

**CAS #:** 7440-48-4

**Relevant identified uses of the substance:** Scientific research and development

**Supplier details:**

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## SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Classification of the substance or mixture

Classification according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

GHS02 Flame

Flam. Sol. 1 H228 Flammable solid.

GHS08 Health hazard

Resp. Sens. 1 H334 May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled.

Carc. 2 H351 Suspected of causing cancer.

GHS07

Skin Sens. 1 H317 May cause an allergic skin reaction.

Classification according to Directive 67/548/EEC or Directive 1999/45/EC

Xn; Sensitizing

R42/43: May cause sensitization by inhalation and skin contact.

F; Highly flammable

R11: Highly flammable.

R53: May cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.

Information concerning particular hazards for human and environment:

N/A

Hazards not otherwise classified

No data available.

Label elements

Labelling according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008  
The product is classified and labeled according to the CLP regulation.  
Hazard pictograms



GHS02 GHS08

Signal word: Danger

Hazard-determining components of labeling:

Cobalt

Cobalt(II,III) oxide

Hazard statements

H228 Flammable solid.

H334 May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled.

H317 May cause an allergic skin reaction.

H351 Suspected of causing cancer.

Precautionary statements

P210 Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. No smoking.

P284 In case of inadequate ventilation wear respiratory protection.

P261 Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray.

P342+P311 If experiencing respiratory symptoms: Call a POISON CENTER/doctor/...

P405 Store locked up.

P501 Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.

WHMIS classification

B4 - Flammable solid

D2A - Very toxic material causing other toxic effects

Classification system

HMIS ratings (scale 0-4)

(Hazardous Materials Identification System)

HEALTH

FIRE

REACTIVITY

1

3

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Health (acute effects) = 1

Flammability = 3

Physical Hazard = 1

Other hazards

Results of PBT and vPvB assessment:

PBT: N/A.

vPvB: N/A.

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## SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Chemical characterization: Mixtures

Dangerous components:

7440-48-4 Cobalt

Xn R42/43;

F R11

R53

Flam. Sol. 1, H228;  
Resp. Sens. 1, H334;  
Skin Sens. 1, H317  
90.0%  
1308-06-1 Cobalt(II,III) oxide  
Xn R40;  
Xi R43;  
N R50/53  
Carc. Cat. 3  
Carc. 2, H351;  
Skin Sens. 1, H317  
10.0%  
Additional information  
None known.

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## **SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES**

Description of first aid measures

If inhaled:

Supply 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 information available.

Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

No information available.

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## **SECTION 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES**

Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media

Special powder for metal fires. Do not use water.

For safety reasons unsuitable extinguishing media

Water

Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

If this product is involved in a fire, the following can be released:

Metal oxide fume

Advice for firefighters

Protective equipment:

Wear self-contained respirator.

Wear fully protective impervious suit.

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## **SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Wear 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.

Do not allow product to reach sewage system or any water course.

Do not allow to penetrate the ground/soil.

Methods and material for containment and cleanup:

Keep away from ignition sources.

Dispose of contaminated material  
as waste according to section 13.

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.

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## **SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE**

Handling

Precautions for safe handling

Keep container tightly sealed.

Store in cool, dry place in tightly closed containers.

Ensure adequate ventilation.

Prevent formation of dust.

Information about protection against explosions and fires:

Protect against electrostatic charges.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Storage

Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles:

Store in a cool location.

Information about storage in one common storage facility:

Store away from oxidizing agents.

Further information about storage conditions:

Keep container tightly sealed.

Store in cool, dry conditions in well-sealed containers.

Specific end use(s)

No further relevant information available

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## **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:

7440-48-4 Cobalt (90.0%)

PEL (USA) Long-term value: 0.1\* mg/m<sup>3</sup>

as Co; \*for metal dust and fume

REL (USA) Long-term value: 0.05 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

as Co; metal dust & fume

TLV (USA) Long-term value: 0.02 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

as Co, BEI

EL (Canada) Long-term value: 0.02 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

IARC 2B

EV (Canada) Long-term value: 0.1 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

1308-06-1 Cobalt(II,III) oxide (10.0%)

PEL (USA) Long-term value: 0.1\* mg/m<sup>3</sup>

as Co; \*for metal dust and fume

REL (USA) Long-term value: 0.05 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

as Co; metal dust & fume

TLV (USA) Long-term value: 0.02 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

as Co, BEI

Ingredients with biological limit values:

7440-48-4 Cobalt (90.0%)

BEI (USA) 15 µg/L

Medium: urine

Time: end of shift at end of workweek

Parameter: Cobalt (background)

1 µg/L

Medium: blood

Time: end of shift at end of workweek

Parameter: Cobalt (background, semi-quantitative)

1308-06-1 Cobalt(II,III) oxide (10.0%)

BEI (USA) 15 µg/L

Medium: urine

Time: end of shift at end of workweek

Parameter: Cobalt (background)

1 µg/L

Medium: urine

Time: end of shift at end of workweek

Parameter: Cobalt (background, semi-quantitative)

Additional information: No data

Exposure controls

Personal protective equipment

Follow typical general protective and industrial hygiene measures 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.

Breathing equipment:

Use suitable respirator when high concentrations are present.

Protection of hands:

Impervious gloves

Inspect gloves prior to use.

Suitability of gloves should be determined both by material and quality, the latter of which may vary by manufacturer.

Penetration time of glove material (in minutes): No data available.

Eye protection: Safety glasses

Body protection: Protective work clothing.

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## SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance:

Form: Powder

Color: Black

Odor: Odorless

Odor threshold: No data available.

pH: N/A.

Melting point/range: No data available.

Boiling point/range: No data available.

Sublimation temperature / start: No data available.

Flammability (solid, gas): Highly flammable.

Ignition temperature: No data available.

Decomposition temperature: No data available.

Auto igniting: Product is not selfigniting.

Danger of explosion: No data available.

Explosion limits:

Lower: No data available.

Upper: No data available.

Vapor pressure: N/A.

Density: No data available.

Relative density: No data available.

Vapor density: N/A.

Evaporation rate: N/A.

Solubility in Water (H<sub>2</sub>O): Insoluble

Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water): No data available.

Viscosity:

Dynamic: N/A.

Kinematic: N/A.

Solvent content:

Organic solvents: 0.0 %

Solids content: 100.0 %

Other information

No information available.

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## 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 information available.

Incompatible materials:

Oxidizing agents

Hazardous decomposition products:

## SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity:

The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) contains acute toxicity data for components in this product.

LD/LC50 values that are relevant for classification: 7440-48-4 Cobalt

Oral LD50 6171 mg/kg (rat)

Skin irritation or corrosion: May cause irritation

Eye irritation or corrosion: May cause irritation

Sensitization:

May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled.

May cause an allergic skin reaction.

Germ cell mutagenicity:

The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) contains mutation data for components in this product.

Carcinogenicity:

IARC-2B: Possibly carcinogenic to humans: limited evidence in humans in the absence of sufficient evidence in experimental animals.

ACGIH A3: Animal carcinogen: Agent is carcinogenic in experimental animals at a relatively high dose, by route(s) of administration, at site(s), of histologic type(s), or by mechanism(s) not considered relevant to worker exposure. Available epidemiologic studies do not confirm an increased risk of cancer in exposed humans.

Available evidence suggests that the agent is not likely to cause cancer in humans except under uncommon or unlikely routes or levels of exposure.

The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) contains tumorigenic and/or carcinogenic and/or neoplastic data for components in this product.

Reproductive toxicity:

The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) contains reproductive data for components in this product.

Specific target organ system toxicity - repeated exposure: N/A

Specific target organ system toxicity - single exposure: N/A

Aspiration hazard: N/A

Subacute to chronic toxicity: N/A

Additional toxicological information:

To the best of our knowledge the acute and chronic toxicity of this substance is not fully known.

The product shows the following dangers according to internally approved calculation methods for preparations:

Harmful

Irritant

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## SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Toxicity

Aquatic toxicity:

No information available.

Persistence and degradability:

No information available.

Bioaccumulative potential:

No information available.

Mobility in soil:

No information available.

Additional ecological information:

General notes:

Do not allow material to be released to the environment without official permits.

Do not allow undiluted product or large quantities to reach ground water, water course or sewage system.

May cause long lasting harmful effects to aquatic life.

Avoid transfer into the environment.

Results of PBT and vPvB assessment:

PBT: N/A.

vPvB: N/A.

Other adverse effects

No information available.

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## SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste treatment methods

Recommendation:

Consult state, local or national regulations to ensure proper disposal.

Uncleaned packagings:

Recommendation:

Disposal must be made according to official regulations.

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## SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

UN-Number

DOT, IMDG, IATA

UN3089

UN proper shipping name

DOT

Metal powders, flammable, n.o.s. (Cobalt powder)

IMDG, IATA

METAL POWDER, FLAMMABLE, N.O.S. (Cobalt powder)

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

II

Environmental hazards:

Marine pollutant (IMDG):

No

Special precautions for user

Warning: Flammable solids, self-reactive substances and solid desensitised explosives

Segregation groups

Heavy metals and their salts (including their organometallic compounds), powdered metals

Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code

N/A.

Transport/Additional information:

DOT

Marine Pollutant (DOT):

No

UN "Model Regulation":

UN3089, Metal powders, flammable, n.o.s. (Cobalt powder), 4.1, II

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## SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture  
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)

7440-48-4 Cobalt

90.0%

1308-06-1 Cobalt(II,III) oxide

10.0%

California Proposition 65

Prop 65 - Chemicals known to cause cancer

7440-48-4 Cobalt

90.0%

Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity

None of the ingredients are listed.

Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity, female

None of the ingredients are listed.

Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity, male

None of the ingredients are listed.

Information about limitation of use:

For use only by technically qualified individuals.

This product 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.

None of the ingredients are 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.

None of the ingredients is listed.

Annex XIV of the REACH Regulations (requiring Authorisation for use)

None of the ingredients is listed.

REACH - Pre-registered substances

All ingredients are listed.  
Chemical safety assessment:  
A Chemical Safety Assessment has not been carried out.

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## **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 handling or from contact with the above product. See reverse side of invoice or packing slip for additional terms and conditions of sale. COPYRIGHT 1997-2022 AMERICAN ELEMENTS. LICENSED GRANTED TO MAKE UNLIMITED PAPER COPIES FOR INTERNAL USE ONLY.