SAFETY DATA SHEET

SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

Product Name: Cobalt Powder

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

CAS #: 7440-48-4

Relevant identified uses of the substance: Scientific research and development

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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
1
Health (acute effects) = 1
Flammability = 3
Physical Hazard = 1
Other hazards
Results of PBT and vPvB assessment:
PBT: N/A.
vPvB: N/A.

SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Chemical characterization: Mixtures
Dangerous components:
7440-48-4 Cobalt
Xn R42/43;
F R11
R53
 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.

 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.
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.

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

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/m³
as Co; *for metal dust and fume
REL (USA) Long-term value: 0.05 mg/m³
as Co; metal dust & fume
TLV (USA) Long-term value: 0.02 mg/m³
as Co, BEI
EL (Canada) Long-term value: 0.02 mg/m³
IARC 2B
EV (Canada) Long-term value: 0.1 mg/m³
1308-06-1 Cobalt(II,III) oxide (10.0%)
PEL (USA) Long-term value: 0.1* mg/m³
as Co; *for metal dust and fume
REL (USA) Long-term value: 0.05 mg/m³
as Co; metal dust & fume
TLV (USA) Long-term value: 0.02 mg/m³
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.
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 (H₂O): 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.

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

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.

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.

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

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
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.

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 1997-2019 AMERICAN ELEMENTS. LICENSED GRANTED TO MAKE UNLIMITED PAPER COPIES FOR INTERNAL USE ONLY.