

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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## SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

**Product Identifier:** (4N) 99.99% Cobalt Specimen

**Product Code:** CO-M-04-SPC

**CAS Number:** 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

GHS08 Health hazard

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

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.

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 substance is classified and labeled according to the CLP regulation.

Hazard pictograms



GHS08

Signal word

Danger

Hazard statements

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

H317 May cause an allergic skin reaction.

Precautionary statements

P284 In case of inadequate ventilation wear respiratory protection.

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

P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.

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

P363 Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

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

WHMIS classification

D2A - Very toxic material causing other toxic effects

Classification system

HMIS ratings (scale 0-4)

(Hazardous Materials Identification System)

HEALTH

FIRE

REACTIVITY

0

0

0

Health (acute effects) = 0

Flammability = 0

Physical Hazard = 0

Other hazards

Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

PBT:

N/A

vPvB:

N/A

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### **SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

Substances

CAS No. / Substance Name:

7440-48-4 Cobalt

Identification number(s):

EC number:

231-158-0

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

Description of first aid measures

General information

No special measures required.

If inhaled:

Supply fresh air and to be sure call for a doctor.

Seek medical treatment in case of complaints.

In case of skin contact:

Generally the product does not irritate the skin.

In case of eye contact:

Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. If symptoms persist, consult a doctor.

If swallowed:

If symptoms persist consult doctor.

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

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## **SECTION 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES**

Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing agents

Special powder for metal fires. Do not use water.

For safety reasons unsuitable extinguishing agents

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:

No special measures required

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

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Not required.

Environmental precautions:

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

Do not allow product to enter drains, sewage systems, or other water courses.

Do not allow material to penetrate the ground or soil.

Methods and materials for containment and cleanup:

Dispose of contaminated material as waste according to section 13.

Prevention of secondary hazards:

No special measures required.

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 good ventilation at the workplace.  
Prevent formation of dust.  
Information about protection against explosions and fires:  
No special measures required.  
Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities  
Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles:  
No special requirements.  
Information about storage in one common storage facility:  
Do not store together with acids.  
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

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## SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Additional information about design of technical systems:  
No further data; see section 7.  
Control parameters  
Components with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace:  
7440-48-4 Cobalt (100.0%)  
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>  
Ingredients with biological limit values:  
7440-48-4 Cobalt (100.0%)  
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)  
Additional information:  
No data  
Exposure controls  
Personal protective equipment  
Follow typical protective and hygienic practices for handling chemicals.  
Maintain an ergonomically appropriate working environment.  
Breathing equipment:  
Not required.  
Protection of hands:  
Not required.

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: Solid in various forms

Color: Grey

Odor: Odorless

Odor threshold: No data available.

pH: N/A

Melting point/Melting range: 1495 °C (2723 °F)

Boiling point/Boiling range: 2927 °C (5301 °F)

Sublimation temperature / start: No data available

Flammability (solid, gas)

No data available.

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 at 994 °C (1821 °F): 0.0000001 hPa

Density at 20 °C (68 °F): 8.92 g/cm<sup>3</sup> (74.437 lbs/gal)

Bulk density at 20 °C (68 °F): 850 kg/m<sup>3</sup>

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

Other information

No data 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 data available

Incompatible materials:

Acids

Hazardous decomposition products:

Metal oxide fume

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## **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:

Oral LD50 6171 mg/kg (rat)

Skin irritation or corrosion:

No irritant effect.

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 this substance.

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 this substance.

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:

No effects known.

Additional toxicological information:

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

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## 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.

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 data available

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## 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.

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## SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

UN-Number

DOT, ADN, IMDG, IATA

N/A

UN proper shipping name

DOT, ADN, IMDG, IATA

N/A

Transport hazard class(es)

DOT, ADR, ADN, IMDG, IATA

Class

N/A

Packing group

DOT, IMDG, IATA

N/A

Environmental hazards:

N/A

Special precautions for user

N/A

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

N/A

Transport/Additional information:

DOT

Marine Pollutant (DOT):

No

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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

California Proposition 65

Prop 65 - Chemicals known to cause cancer

7440-48-4 Cobalt

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 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.

REACH - Pre-registered substances

Substance is listed.

Chemical safety assessment:

A Chemical Safety Assessment has not been carried out.

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## **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



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