

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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## SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

**Product Identifier:** (3N) 99.9% Germanium Powder

**Product Code:** GE-E-03-P

**CAS Number:** 7440-56-4

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

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## SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Classification of the substance or mixture

GHS Classification in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)

Flammable solids

(Category 1), H228

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Pictogram



Signal word

Danger

Hazard statement(s)

H228

Flammable solid.

Precautionary statement(s)

P210

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

P240

Ground/bond container and receiving equipment.

P241

Use explosion - proof electrical/ ventilating/ lighting/ equipment.

P280

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

P370 + P378

In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam for extinction.

Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC) or not covered by GHS-none

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

Substances

CAS No. / Substance Name:

7440-56-4 Germanium

Identification number(s):

EC number: 231-164-3

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

Description of first aid measures

General information

No special measures required.

If inhaled:

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 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:

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 reach sewage system or any water course.

Do not allow to penetrate the ground/soil.

Methods and material for containment and cleanup:

Pick up mechanically.

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.

Information about protection against explosions and fires:

No special measures required.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Storage

Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles:

No special requirements.

Information about storage in one common storage facility:

Not required.

Further information about storage conditions:

Keep container tightly sealed.

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

Specific end use(s)

No information 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:

The product does not contain any relevant quantities of materials with critical values that should be monitored at the workplace.

Additional information:

No data

Exposure controls

Personal protective equipment

Follow typical general protective and industrial hygiene measures for handling chemicals.

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: Powder  
Color: Silver-colored  
Odor: Odorless  
Odor threshold: No data available.  
pH: N/A.  
Melting point/range: 937.2 °C (1719 °F)  
Boiling point/range: 2830 °C (5126 °F)  
Sublimation temperature / start: No data available.  
Flammability (solid, gas):  
No data available.  
Ignition temperature: No data available.  
Decomposition temperature: No data available.  
Auto igniting: No data available.  
Danger of explosion: No data available.  
Explosion limits:  
Lower: No data available.  
Upper: No data available.  
Vapor pressure at 20 °C (68 °F): 0 hPa  
Density at 20 °C (68 °F): 5.32 g/cm<sup>3</sup> (44.395 lbs/gal)  
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 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:

No data available.

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 this substance.

LD/LC50 values that are relevant for classification:

No data

Skin irritation or corrosion:

Generally the product does not irritate the skin.

Eye irritation or corrosion:

No irritant effect.

Sensitization:

No sensitizing effects known.

Germ cell mutagenicity:

N/A

Carcinogenicity:

No classification data on carcinogenic properties of this material is available from the EPA, IARC, NTP, OSHA or ACGIH.

Reproductive toxicity:

N/A

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:

The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) contains multiple dose toxicity data for this substance.

Additional toxicological information:

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

Carcinogenic categories

OSHA-Ca (Occupational Safety & Health Administration)

Substance is not listed.

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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.

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**

DOT (US)

UN number: 3089

Class: 4.1

Packing group: II

Proper shipping name: Metal powders, flammable, n.o.s.

Marine pollutant: No

Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

IMDG

UN number: 3089

Class: 4.1

Packing group: II

EMS-No: F-G, S-G

Proper shipping name: METAL POWDER, FLAMMABLE, N.O.S.

Marine pollutant: No

IATA

UN number: 3089

Class: 4.1

Packing group: II

Proper shipping name: Metal powder, flammable, n.o.s.

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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 Non-Domestic Substances List (NDSL).

SARA Section 313 (specific toxic chemical listings)

Substance is not listed.

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.

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 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.