

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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## SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

**Product Name:** Tungsten Carbide/Cobalt Wire

**Product Number:** All applicable American Elements product codes, e.g. WC-CO-01-W

**CAS #:** 12774-15-1

**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 in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)

GHS02 Flame

Flam. Sol. 2 H228 Flammable solid.

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.

Hazards not otherwise classified No data available

GHS label elements, including precautionary statements

Hazard pictograms



Signal word Danger

Hazard statements

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Precautionary statements

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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

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

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## SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Substances

CAS No. / Substance Name:

12774-15-1 Tungsten carbide Cobalt

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## 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

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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:

Carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide

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

Use personal protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.

Ensure adequate ventilation

Keep away from ignition sources

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

Methods and materials for containment and cleanup:

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 good ventilation at the workplace.

Prevent formation of dust.

Information about protection against explosions and fires: 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:

Do not store together with acids.

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 data 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:

None.

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.

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## SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance:

Form: Powder or solid in various forms

Color: Dark grey

Odor: Odorless

Odor threshold: No data available.

pH: N/A

Melting point/Melting range: No data available

Boiling point/Boiling 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

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: No data available

Relative density No data available.

Vapor density N/A

Evaporation rate N/A

Solubility in / Miscibility with  
Water: 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 Reacts with strong oxidizing agents  
Conditions to avoid No data available  
Incompatible materials:  
Acids  
Oxidizing agents  
Hazardous decomposition products:  
Carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide  
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: 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 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: 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.

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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: 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, IMDG, IATA UN3178

UN proper shipping name

DOT Flammable solid, inorganic, n.o.s. (Tungsten carbide Cobalt)

IMDG, IATA FLAMMABLE SOLID, INORGANIC, N.O.S. (Tungsten carbide Cobalt)

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

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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

EMS Number: F-A,S-G

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": UN3178, Flammable solid, inorganic, n.o.s. (Tungsten carbide Cobalt), 4.1, III

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## SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

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

GHS label elements, including precautionary statements

Hazard pictograms

GHS02 GHS08

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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)

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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 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.

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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.