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1 Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

Product identifier

Product name: Samarium powder

Stock number: 12895

CAS Number: 7440-19-9 EINECS Number:

231-128-7

Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against.

Sector of Use SU24 Scientific research and development

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Manufacturer/Supplier:

Alfa Aesar, A Johnson Matthey Company Johnson Matthey Catalog Company, Inc.

30 Bond Street

Ward Hill, MA 01835-8099

Tel: 800-343-0660 Fax: 800-322-4757 Email: tech@alfa.com www.alfa.com

Information Department: Health, Safety and Environmental Department
Emergency telephone number:

During normal hours the Health, Safety and Environmental Department at (800) 343-0660. After normal hours call Carechem 24 at (866) 928-0789.

2 Hazards identification

Classification of the substance or mixture



GHS02 Flame

H250 Catches fire spontaneously if exposed to air.

H252 Self-heating in large quantities; may catch fire.

H260 In contact with water releases flammable gases which may ignite spontaneously.

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



F; Highly flammable

R15-17: Contact with water liberates extremely flammable gases. Spontaneously flammable in air.

Label elements

Labelling according to EU guidelines:

Code letter and hazard designation of product:

F Highly flammable

Risk phrases:

15 Contact with water liberates extremely flammable gases.

17 Spontaneously flammable in air.

Safety phrases:

7/8 Keep container tightly closed and dry.

- 33 Take precautionary measures against static discharges.
- 43 In case of fire, use sand, carbon dioxide or powdered extinguishing agent. Never use water.

Hazard description:

WHMIS classification



Classification system

HMIS ratings (scale 0-4)

(Hazardous Materials Identification System)

HEALTH	1
FIRE	4
REACTIVITY	2

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Health (acute effects) = 1 Flammability = 4 Reactivity = 2
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Other hazards

Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

PBT: Not applicable. vPvB: Not applicable.

3 Composition/information on ingredients

Chemical characterization: Substances

(CAS#) Description:

Samarium (CAS# 7440-19-9)

Identification number(s):

EINECS Number: 231-128-7

Additional information: Ampouled under argon

4 First aid measures

Description of first aid measures

After inhalation

Supply fresh air. If required, provide artificial respiration. Keep patient warm.

Seek immediate medical advice.

After skin contact

Immediately wash with water and soap and rinse thoroughly.

Seek immediate medical advice.

After eve contact

Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. Then consult a doctor.

After swallowing Seek immediate medical advice.

5 Firefighting measures

Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing agents Extinguishing powder. Do not use water.

For safety reasons unsuitable extinguishing agents

Water

Halogenated extinguisher

Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Contact with water releases hydrogen (explosive).

Advice for firefighters

Protective equipment:

Wear self-contained respirator.

Wear fully protective impervious suit.

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 proper governmental permits.

Methods and material for containment and cleaning up:

Ensure adequate ventilation.

Do not flush with water or aqueous cleansing agents

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.

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.

Handle under dry argon.

Information about protection against explosions and fires:

Keep ignition sources away.

Substance/product is self ignitable.

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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:

Store away from water/moisture.

Do not store together with oxidizing and acidic materials.

Store away from halogens.

Further information about storage conditions:

Store under dry inert gas. Keep container tightly sealed.

Store in cool, dry conditions in well sealed containers.

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: Not required.

Additional information: No data

Exposure controls

Personal protective equipment

General protective and hygienic measures

The usual precautionary measures for handling chemicals should be followed.

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

Eye protection: Safety glasses Full face protection

Body protection: Protective work clothing.

9 Physical and chemical properties

Information on basic physical and chemica	al properties
General Information	
Appearance:	
Form:	Powder
Color:	Dark grey
Odor:	Odorless
Odour threshold:	Not determined.
pH-value:	Not applicable.
Change in condition	
Melting point/Melting range:	1027°C (1881 °F)
Boiling point/Boiling range:	1900°C (3452 °F)
Sublimation temperature / start:	Not determined
Flash point:	Not applicable
Flammability (solid, gaseous)	Contact with water liberates extremely flammable gases.
Ignition temperature:	Not determined
Decomposition temperature:	Not determined
Auto igniting:	Spontaneously flammable in air.
Explosion limits:	
Lower:	Not determined
Upper:	Not determined
Vapor pressure:	Not applicable.
Density at 20°C (68 °F):	7.54 g/cm³ (62.921 lbs/gal)
Relative density	Not determined.
Vapour density	Not applicable.
Evaporation rate	Not applicable.

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Solubility in / Miscibility with

Water: Reacts

Contact with water releases flammable gases

Segregation coefficient (n-octonol/water): Not determined.

Viscosity:

dynamic: Not applicable.
kinematic: Not applicable.

Other information No further relevant information available.

10 Stability and reactivity

Reactivity

Chemical stability

Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:

Decomposition will not occur if used and stored according to specifications.

Possibility of hazardous reactions

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Incompatible materials:

Water/moisture

Air

Oxidizing agents

Acids Halogens

Hazardous decomposition products: Hydrogen

11 Toxicological information

Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity:

Primary irritant effect:

on the skin: Irritant to skin and mucous membranes.

on the eye: Irritating effect.

Sensitization: No sensitizing effects known.

Subacute to chronic toxicity:

Lanthanons can cause delayed blood clotting leading to hemorrhages. Exposure may also lead to sensitivity to heat, itching, increased awareness of odor and taste, and liver damage.

Additional toxicological information:

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

12 Ecological information

Toxicity

Acquatic toxicity: No further relevant information available.

Persistence and degradability No further relevant information available.

Behavior in environmental systems:

Bioaccumulative potential No further relevant information available.

Mobility in soil No further relevant information available.

Additional ecological information:

General notes:

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

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

Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

PBT: Not applicable.

vPvB: Not applicable.

Other adverse effects No further relevant information available.

13 Disposal considerations

Waste treatment methods

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

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Uncleaned packagings:

Recommendation: Disposal must be made according to official regulations.

14 Transport information

DOT regulations:



Hazard class: 4.2
Identification number: UN1383

Packing group:

Proper shipping name (technical name): PYROPHORIC METAL, N.O.S. (samarium)

Label 4.2

Land transport ADR/RID (cross-border)



ADR/RID class: 4.2 (S4) Substances liable to spontaneous combustion

Danger code (Kemler): 43
UN-Number: 1383
Packaging group: I

UN proper shipping name: 1383 PYROPHORIC METAL, N.O.S. (samarium)

Maritime transport IMDG:



IMDG Class: 4.2
UN Number: 1383
Label 4.2
Packaging group: I
Marine pollutant: No

Segregation groups Powdered metals

Proper shipping name: PYROPHORIC METAL, N.O.S. (samarium)

Air transport ICAO-TI and IATA-DGR:



ICAO/IATA Class: 4.2
UN/ID Number: 1383
Label 4.2
Packaging group: I

Proper shipping name: PYROPHORIC METAL, N.O.S. (samarium)

UN "Model Regulation": UN1383, PYROPHORIC METAL, N.O.S., 4.2, I
Special precautions for user Warning: Substances liable to spontaneous combustion
Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code Not applicable.

15 Regulatory information

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

Product related hazard informations:

Hazard symbols:

F Highly flammable

Risk phrases:

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17 Spontaneously flammable in air.

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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).

Information about limitation of use: For use only by technically qualified individuals. Chemical safety assessment: A Chemical Safety Assessment has not been carried out.

16 Other information

Employers should use this information only as a supplement to other information gathered by them, and should make independent judgement of suitability of this information to ensure proper use and protect the health and safety of employees. This information is furnished without warranty, and any use of the product not in conformance with this Material Safety Data Sheet, or in combination with any other product or process, is the responsibility of the

Department issuing MSDS: Health, Safety and Environmental Department.

Contact:

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Abbreviations and acronyms:

ADR: Accord européen sur le transport des marchandises dangereuses par Route (European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road)
RID: Règlement international concernant le transport des marchandises dangereuses par chemin de fer (Regulations Concerning the International Transport of Dangerous Goods by Rail)
IMDG: International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods

DOT: US Department of Transportation

IATA: International Air Transport Association

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IATA-DGR: Dangerous Goods Regulations by the "International Air Transport Association" (IATA)

ICAO: International Civil Aviation Organization

ICAO-TI: Technical Instructions by the "International Civil Aviation Organization" (ICAO)

EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances

CACL Chemical Authorizeta Commission (Advision of the American Chemical Substances)

CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society)
HMIS: Hazardous Materials Identification System (USA)
WHMIS: Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (Canada)

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