

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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### 1. Identification

**Product Name** Chromium powder

**Cat No. :** 10148

**CAS-No** 7440-47-3  
**Synonyms** Chrome

**Recommended Use** Laboratory chemicals.  
**Uses advised against** Not for food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use

#### Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

##### Company

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##### **Emergency Telephone Number**

During normal business hours (Monday-Friday, 8am-7pm EST), call (800) 343-0660.  
After normal business hours, call Carechem 24 at (800) 579-7421.

### 2. Hazard(s) identification

#### Classification

**WHMIS 2015 Classification** Classified as hazardous under the Hazardous Products Regulations (SOR/2015-17)

**Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)** Category 3  
Target Organs - Respiratory system.

#### Label Elements

##### **Signal Word**

Warning

##### **Hazard Statements**

May cause respiratory irritation



**Precautionary Statements****Prevention**

Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray  
Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area

**Response**

IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing  
Call a POISON CENTER/ doctor if you feel unwell

**Storage**

Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed  
Store locked up

**Disposal**

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

**Other Hazards**

Very toxic to aquatic organisms

### 3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Chromium	7440-47-3	>95

### 4. First-aid measures

<b>General Advice</b>	If symptoms persist, call a physician.
<b>Eye Contact</b>	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Obtain medical attention.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Move to fresh air. Obtain medical attention. If not breathing, give artificial respiration.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Do not induce vomiting. Obtain medical attention.
<b>Most important symptoms/effects</b>	None reasonably foreseeable.
<b>Notes to Physician</b>	Treat symptomatically

### 5. Fire-fighting measures

<b>Suitable Extinguishing Media</b>	No information available.
<b>Unsuitable Extinguishing Media</b>	Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> )
<b>Flash Point</b>	Not applicable
<b>Method -</b>	No information available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	Not applicable
<b>Explosion Limits</b>	
<b>Upper</b>	No data available
<b>Lower</b>	No data available
<b>Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact</b>	No information available
<b>Sensitivity to Static Discharge</b>	No information available

**Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical**

Dust can form an explosive mixture in air. Do not allow run-off from fire fighting to enter drains or water courses. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors. Keep product and empty container away from heat and sources of ignition.

**Hazardous Combustion Products**

Chromium oxide

**Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters**

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear.

**NFPA**

**Health**  
2

**Flammability**  
1

**Instability**  
1

**Physical hazards**  
N/A

**6. Accidental release measures****Personal Precautions**

Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protective equipment. Avoid dust formation.

**Environmental Precautions**

Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system. Prevent product from entering drains. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained. Should not be released into the environment.

**Methods for Containment and Clean Up**

Avoid dust formation. Sweep up or vacuum up spillage and collect in suitable container for disposal.

**7. Handling and storage****Handling**

Avoid dust formation. Wear personal protective equipment. Ensure adequate ventilation. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Avoid ingestion and inhalation.

**Storage**

Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Store under an inert atmosphere.

**8. Exposure controls / personal protection****Exposure Guidelines**

Component	Alberta	British Columbia	Ontario TWAEV	Quebec	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH IDLH
Chromium	TWA: 0.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA: 0.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA: 0.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA: 0.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA: 0.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	(Vacated) TWA: 1 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA: 1 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	IDLH: 250 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA: 0.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

**Legend**

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration

NIOSH IDLH: The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health

**Engineering Measures**

Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

Wherever possible, engineering control measures such as the isolation or enclosure of the process, the introduction of process or equipment changes to minimise release or contact, and the use of properly designed ventilation systems, should be adopted to control hazardous materials at source

**Personal protective equipment****Eye Protection**

Wear appropriate protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles as described by OSHA's eye and face protection regulations in 29 CFR 1910.133 or European Standard EN166.

**Hand Protection**

Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.

Glove material	Breakthrough time	Glove thickness	Glove comments
Natural rubber	See manufacturers		Splash protection only
Nitrile rubber	recommendations		

Neoprene  
PVC

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Inspect gloves before use. observe the instructions regarding permeability and breakthrough time which are provided by the supplier of the gloves. (Refer to manufacturer/supplier for information) gloves are suitable for the task: Chemical compatability, Dexterity, Operational conditions, User susceptibility, e.g. sensitisation effects, also take into consideration the specific local conditions under which the product is used, such as the danger of cuts, abrasion. gloves with care avoiding skin contamination.

#### Respiratory Protection

When workers are facing concentrations above the exposure limit they must use appropriate certified respirators. Follow the OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard EN 149. Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced.

To protect the wearer, respiratory protective equipment must be the correct fit and be used and maintained properly

**Recommended Filter type:** Particulates filter conforming to EN 143

When RPE is used a face piece Fit Test should be conducted

#### Environmental exposure controls

Prevent product from entering drains. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained.

#### Hygiene Measures

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

<b>Physical State</b>	Powder Solid
<b>Appearance</b>	Silver
<b>Odor</b>	Odorless
<b>Odor Threshold</b>	No information available
<b>pH</b>	No information available
<b>Melting Point/Range</b>	1857.2 °C / 3375 °F
<b>Boiling Point/Range</b>	2640 °C / 4784 °F
<b>Flash Point</b>	Not applicable
<b>Evaporation Rate</b>	Not applicable
<b>Flammability (solid,gas)</b>	No information available
<b>Flammability or explosive limits</b>	
<b>Upper</b>	No data available
<b>Lower</b>	No data available
<b>Vapor Pressure</b>	No information available
<b>Vapor Density</b>	Not applicable
<b>Specific Gravity</b>	7.2
<b>Solubility</b>	Insoluble in water
<b>Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water</b>	No data available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	Not applicable
<b>Decomposition Temperature</b>	No information available
<b>Viscosity</b>	Not applicable
<b>Molecular Formula</b>	Cr
<b>Molecular Weight</b>	51.996

## 10. Stability and reactivity

<b>Reactive Hazard</b>	None known, based on information available
<b>Stability</b>	Sensitive to air.
<b>Conditions to Avoid</b>	Incompatible products. Excess heat. Avoid dust formation.
<b>Incompatible Materials</b>	Strong oxidizing agents, Strong acids
<b>Hazardous Decomposition Products</b>	Chromium oxide

**Hazardous Polymerization** Hazardous polymerization does not occur.

**Hazardous Reactions** None under normal processing.

## 11. Toxicological information

### Acute Toxicity

**Product Information** No acute toxicity information is available for this product

**Component Information**

**Toxicologically Synergistic** No information available

**Products**

### Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure

**Irritation** May cause irritation of respiratory tract

**Sensitization** No information available

**Carcinogenicity** The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen.

Component	CAS-No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Chromium	7440-47-3	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

**Mutagenic Effects** No information available

**Reproductive Effects** No information available.

**Developmental Effects** No information available.

**Teratogenicity** No information available.

**STOT - single exposure** Respiratory system

**STOT - repeated exposure** None known

**Aspiration hazard** No information available

**Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed** No information available

**Endocrine Disruptor Information** No information available

**Other Adverse Effects** The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.

## 12. Ecological information

### Ecotoxicity

The product contains following substances which are hazardous for the environment. Very toxic to aquatic organisms. May cause long-term adverse effects in the environment. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system.

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Chromium	Not listed	LC50: 14.3 mg/l/96 H (Pimephales promelas)	Not listed	EC50: 0.07 mg/l/48 H

**Persistence and Degradability** Insoluble in water May persist

**Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation** No information available.

**Mobility** Is not likely mobile in the environment due its low water solubility.

## 13. Disposal considerations

**Waste Disposal Methods** Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. Chemical waste generators must also consult local, regional, and

national hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

## 14. Transport information

### DOT

UN-No UN3077  
 Proper Shipping Name ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES, SOLID, N.O.S.  
 Proper technical name Chromium  
 Hazard Class 9  
 Packing Group III

### TDG

UN-No UN3077  
 Proper Shipping Name ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES, SOLID, N.O.S.  
 Hazard Class 9  
 Packing Group III

### IATA

UN-No UN3077  
 Proper Shipping Name Environmentally hazardous substance, solid, n.o.s  
 Hazard Class 9  
 Packing Group III

### IMDG/IMO

UN-No UN3077  
 Proper Shipping Name Environmentally hazardous substance, solid, n.o.s  
 Hazard Class 9  
 Packing Group III

## 15. Regulatory information

### International Inventories

Component	DSL	NDSL	TSCA	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	PICCS	ENCS	AICS	IECSC	KECL
Chromium	X	-	X	231-157-5	-		X	-	X	X	X

### Canada

SDS in compliance with provisions of information as set out in Canadian Standard - Part 4, Schedule 1 and 2 of the Hazardous Products Regulations (HPR) and meets the requirements of the HPR (Paragraph 13(1)(a) of the Hazardous Products Act (HPA)).

Component	Canada - National Pollutant Release Inventory (NPRI)	Canadian Environmental Protection Agency (CEPA) - List of Toxic Substances	Canada's Chemicals Management Plan (CEPA)
Chromium	Part 1, Group A Substance		

## 16. Other information

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