

Welding Guns of Australia Pty Ltd

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Safety Data Sheet according to WHS and ADG requirements

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SECTION 1 IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE / MIXTURE AND OF THE COMPANY / UNDERTAKING

Product Identifier

Product name	Gouging Carbon Rods
Synonyms	Not Available
Other means of identification	Not Available

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

Relevant identified uses Mainly used for cutting, castiing

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Registered company name	Welding Guns of Australia Pty Ltd
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Emergency telephone number

Association / Organisation	Not Available
Emergency telephone numbers	1800 039 008 (24 hours)
Other emergency telephone numbers	+61 3 9573 3112 (24 hours)

SECTION 2 HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Classification of the substance or mixture

Poisons Schedule	Not Applicable	
Classification ^[1]	Carcinogenicity Category 2, Acute Aquatic Hazard Category 3	
Legend:	1. Classified by Chemwatch; 2. Classification drawn from HSIS ; 3. Classification drawn from EC Directive 1272/2008 - Annex VI	

Label elements

GHS label elements	
SIGNAL WORD	WARNING

Hazard statement(s)

Gouging	Carbon	Rods
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H351	Suspected of causing cancer.
H402	Harmful to aquatic life

Precautionary statement(s) Prevention

P201	Obtain special instructions before use.
P281	Use personal protective equipment as required.
P273	Avoid release to the environment.

Precautionary statement(s) Response

Precautionary statement(s) Storage

P405 Store locked up.

P501

Precautionary statement(s) Disposal

Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local regulations.

SECTION 3 COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Substances

See section below for composition of Mixtures

Mixtures

CAS No	%[weight]	Name
		carbon rods, containing
7782-42-5	75	graphite
8052-42-4	15	bitumen (petroleum)
Not Available	5	petroleum coke
7440-50-8	5	copper
		which upon use produces
Not avail.		welding fumes
		as
7440-50-8.		copper fume
		action of arc on air may generate
10028-15-6		ozone
Mixture		nitrogen oxides

SECTION 4 FIRST AID MEASURES

Description of first aid measures

Eye Contact	 If this product comes in contact with the eyes: Wash out immediately with fresh running water. Ensure complete irrigation of the eye by keeping eyelids apart and away from eye and moving the eyelids by occasionally lifting the upper and lower lids. Seek medical attention without delay; if pain persists or recurs seek medical attention. Removal of contact lenses after an eye injury should only be undertaken by skilled personnel. Particulate bodies from welding spatter may be removed carefully. DO NOT attempt to remove particles attached to or embedded in eye. Lay victim down, on stretcher if available and pad BOTH eyes, make sure dressing does not press on the injured eye by placing thick pads under dressing, above and below the eye. Seek urgent medical assistance, or transport to hospital. For "arc eye", i.e. welding flash or UV light burns to the eye: Place eye pads or light clean dressings over both eyes. Seek medical assistance. For THERMAL burns: DONT THERMAL burns:

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	Seek urgent medical assistance, or transport to hospital. If skin or hair contact occurs:
	 Flush skin and hair with running water (and soap if available).
	 Seek medical attention in event of irritation.
	For thermal burns:
	 Decontaminate area around burn.
	 Consider the use of cold packs and topical antibiotics.
	For first-degree burns (affecting top layer of skin)
	 Hold burned skin under cool (not cold) running water or immerse in cool water until pain subsides.
	 Find burned skin under cool (not cold) furning water of initialise in cool water until pair subsides. Use compresses if running water is not available.
	 Cover with sterile non-adhesive bandage or clean cloth.
	 Do NOT apply butter or ointments; this may cause infection.
	 Give over-the counter pain relievers if pain increases or swelling, redness, fever occur.
	For second-degree burns (affecting top two layers of skin)
	 Cool the burn by immerse in cold running water for 10-15 minutes.
	 Use compresses if running water is not available.
	 Do NOT apply ice as this may lower body temperature and cause further damage. Do NOT break blieters or early butter or eintmenter this may equee infection.
	 Do NOT break blisters or apply butter or ointments; this may cause infection. Bretest burs by cover lessely with starily pagetick bandage and segure in place with gauge or tape.
Chin Contest	Protect burn by cover loosely with sterile, nonstick bandage and secure in place with gauze or tape. To prove table (unless the percent has a head, park or log injury, or it would equee disconfort):
Skin Contact	To prevent shock: (unless the person has a head, neck, or leg injury, or it would cause discomfort):
	Lay the person flat. Elayata fact shout 12 inches
	 Elevate feet about 12 inches. Elevate hum and about heart leval if pageible.
	 Elevate burn area above heart level, if possible. Course the person with east or blocket.
	Cover the person with coat or blanket. Sock modical assistance
	Seek medical assistance.
	For third-degree burns
	Seek immediate medical or emergency assistance.
	In the mean time:
	Protect burn area cover loosely with sterile, nonstick bandage or, for large areas, a sheet or other material that will not loove list in wound
	leave lint in wound.
	 Separate burned toes and fingers with dry, sterile dressings. Do not each burn in water or each violaterate or butten this may equal infection.
	 Do not soak burn in water or apply ointments or butter; this may cause infection. To prove t shark and shark
	 To prevent shock see above. For an airway burn, do not place pillow under the percent's head when the percent is lying down. This can close the circum.
	• For an airway burn, do not place pillow under the person's head when the person is lying down. This can close the airway.
	 Have a person with a facial burn sit up. Charle and broathing to marine for shead with an annual bala arrives
	 Check pulse and breathing to monitor for shock until emergency help arrives.
	▶ Generally not applicable.
	 If fumes or combustion products are inhaled remove from contaminated area.
	 Lay patient down. Keep warm and rested.
	Prostheses such as false teeth, which may block airway, should be removed, where possible, prior to initiating first aid procedures.
Inhalation	
	 Apply artificial respiration if not breathing, preferably with a demand valve resuscitator, bag-valve mask device, or pocke mask as trained. Perform CPP if personanty.
	mask as trained. Perform CPR if necessary.
	 Transport to hospital, or doctor. Constally not applicable
	Generally not applicable.
Ingestion	 Generally not applicable.

Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Copper, magnesium, aluminium, antimony, iron, manganese, nickel, zinc (and their compounds) in welding, brazing, galvanising or smelting operations all give rise to thermally produced particulates of smaller dimension than may be produced if the metals are divided mechanically. Where insufficient ventilation or respiratory protection is available these particulates may produce "metal fume fever" in workers from an acute or long term exposure.

- Onset occurs in 4-6 hours generally on the evening following exposure. Tolerance develops in workers but may be lost over the weekend. (Monday Morning Fever)
- Pulmonary function tests may indicate reduced lung volumes, small airway obstruction and decreased carbon monoxide diffusing capacity but these abnormalities resolve after several months.
- + Although mildly elevated urinary levels of heavy metal may occur they do not correlate with clinical effects.
- + The general approach to treatment is recognition of the disease, supportive care and prevention of exposure.
- Seriously symptomatic patients should receive chest x-rays, have arterial blood gases determined and be observed for the development of tracheobronchitis and pulmonary edema.

[Ellenhorn and Barceloux: Medical Toxicology]

SECTION 5 FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

Extinguishing media

There is no restriction on the type of extinguisher which may be used.

Special hazards arising from the substrate or mixture

	Welding electrodes should not be allowed to come into contact with strong acids or other substances which are corrosive to
Fire Incompatibility	metals.
	Welding arc and metal sparks can ignite combustibles.

Advice for firefighters

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Fire Fighting	 Alert Fire Brigade and tell them location and nature of hazard. Wear breathing apparatus plus protective gloves in the event of a fire. Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water courses. Use fire fighting procedures suitable for surrounding area. DO NOT approach containers suspected to be hot. Cool fire exposed containers with water spray from a protected location. If safe to do so, remove containers from path of fire. Equipment should be thoroughly decontaminated after use. Slight hazard when exposed to heat, flame and oxidisers.
Fire/Explosion Hazard	 Non combustible. Not considered to be a significant fire risk, however containers may burn. In a fire may decompose on heating and produce toxic / corrosive fumes. Welding arc and metal sparks can ignite combustibles.
HAZCHEM	Not Applicable

SECTION 6 ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

See section 8

Environmental precautions

See section 12

Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Minor Spills	 Clean up all spills immediately. Secure load if safe to do so. Bundle/collect recoverable product. Collect remaining material in containers with covers for disposal.
Major Spills	 Clean up all spills immediately. Wear protective clothing, safety glasses, dust mask, gloves. Secure load if safe to do so. Bundle/collect recoverable product. Use dry clean up procedures and avoid generating dust. Vacuum up (consider explosion-proof machines designed to be grounded during storage and use). Water may be used to prevent dusting. Collect remaining material in containers with covers for disposal. Flush spill area with water.

Personal Protective Equipment advice is contained in Section 8 of the SDS.

SECTION 7 HANDLING AND STORAGE

Precautions for safe handling

Safe handling	 Limit all unnecessary personal contact. Wear protective clothing when risk of exposure occurs. Use in a well-ventilated area. Avoid contact with incompatible materials. When handling, DO NOT eat, drink or smoke. Keep containers securely sealed when not in use. Avoid physical damage to containers. Always wash hands with soap and water after handling. Work clothes should be laundered separately. Use good occupational work practice. Observe manufacturer's storage and handling recommendations contained within this SDS. Atmosphere should be regularly checked against established exposure standards to ensure safe working conditions are maintained.

Other information	 Keep dry. Store under cover. Protect containers against physical damage. Observe manufacturer's storage and handling recommendations contained within this SDS.
onditions for safe st	orage, including any incompatibilities
Suitable container	 Packaging as recommended by manufacturer. Check that containers are clearly labelled
Storage	Welding electrodes should not be allowed to come into contact with strong acids or other substances which are corrosive to

SECTION 8 EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

Avoid reaction with oxidising agents

metals.

Control parameters

incompatibility

OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURE LIMITS (OEL)

INGREDIENT DATA

Source	Ingredient	Material name	TWA	STEL	Peak	Notes
Australia Exposure Standards	graphite	Graphite (all forms except fibres) (respirable dust)(natural & synthetic)	3 mg/m3	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available
Australia Exposure Standards	bitumen (petroleum)	Bitumen fumes	5 mg/m3	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available
Australia Exposure Standards	copper	Copper (fume) / Copper, dusts & mists (as Cu)	0.2 mg/m3 / 1 mg/m3	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available
Australia Exposure Standards	welding fumes	Welding fumes (not otherwise classified)	5 mg/m3	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available
Australia Exposure Standards	copper fume	Copper (fume) / Copper, dusts & mists (as Cu)	0.2 mg/m3 / 1 mg/m3	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available
Australia Exposure Standards	ozone	Ozone	Not Available	Not Available	0.2 mg/m3 / 0.1 ppm	Not Available
Australia Exposure Standards	nitrogen oxides	Nitrous oxide	45 mg/m3 / 25 ppm	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available
Australia Exposure Standards	nitrogen oxides	Nitric oxide	31 mg/m3 / 25 ppm	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available
Australia Exposure Standards	nitrogen oxides	Nitrogen dioxide	5.6 mg/m3 / 3 ppm	9.4 mg/m3 / 5 ppm	Not Available	Not Available

EMERGENCY LIMITS

Ingredient	Material name	TEEL-1	TEEL-2	TEEL-3	
graphite	Graphite; (Mineral carbon)	6 mg/m3	16 mg/m3	95 mg/m3	
bitumen (petroleum)	Petroleum asphalt; (Bitumen)	30 mg/m3	330 mg/m3	2,000 mg/m3	
copper	Copper	3 mg/m3	33 mg/m3	200 mg/m3	
copper fume	Copper	3 mg/m3	33 mg/m3	200 mg/m3	
ozone	Ozone	0.24 ppm	1 ppm	10 ppm	
Ingredient	Original IDLH		Revised IDLH	Revised IDLH	
graphite	N.E. mg/m3 / N.E. ppm		1,250 mg/m3	1,250 mg/m3	
bitumen (petroleum)	Not Available		Not Available	Not Available	
petroleum coke	Not Available		Not Available		
copper	N.E. mg/m3 / N.E. ppm		100 mg/m3		
welding fumes	Not Available	Not Available			
copper fume	N.E. mg/m3 / N.E. ppm		100 mg/m3		
ozone	10 ppm		5 ppm		
nitrogen oxides	Not Available		Not Available		

MATERIAL DATA

for welding fume:

In addition to complying with any individual exposure standards for specific contaminants, where current manual welding processes are used, the fume

concentration inside the welder's helmet **should not** exceed 5 mg/m3, when collected in accordance with the appropriate standard (AS 3640, for example). ES* TWA: 5 mg/m3

TLV* TWA: 5 mg/m3, B2 (a substance of variable composition)

OES* TWA: 5 mg/m3

Most welding, even with primitive ventilation, does not produce exposures inside the welding helmet above 5 mg/m3. That which does should be controlled (ACGIH). Inspirable dust concentrations in a worker's breathing zone shall be collected and measured in accordance with AS 3640, for example. Metal content can be analytically determined by OSHA Method ID25 (ICP-AES) after total digestion of filters and dissolution of captured metals. Sampling of the Respirable Dust fraction requires cyclone separator devices (elutriators) and procedures to comply with AS 2985 (for example).

Exposure controls

Engineering controls are used to remove a hazard or place a barrier between the worker and the hazard. Well-designed engineering controls can be highly effective in protecting workers and will typically be independent of worker interactions to provide this high level of protection. The basic types of engineering controls are: Process controls which involve changing the way a job activity or process is done to reduce the risk. Enclosure and/or isolation of emission source which keeps a selected hazard "physically" away from the worker and ventilation that strategically "adds" and "removes" air in the work environment. Ventilation can remove or dilute an air contaminant if designed properly. The design of a ventilation system must match the particular process and chemical or contaminant in use. Employers may need to use multiple types of controls to prevent employee overexposure. Special ventilation requirements apply for processes which result in the generation of barium, chromium, lead, or nickel fume and in those processes which generate ozone. The use of mechanical ventilation by local exhaust systems is required as a minimum in all circumstances (including outdoor work). (In confined spaces always check that oxygen has not been depleted by excessive rusting of steel or snowflake corrosion of aluminium) Local exhaust systems must be designed to provide a minimum capture velocity at the fume source, away from the worker, of 0.5 metre/sec. Air contaminants generated in the workplace possess varying "escape" velocities which, in turn, determine the "capture velocities" of fresh circulating air required to effectively remove the contaminant. Type of Contaminant: Air Speed: Appropriate engineering controls 0.5-1.0 m/s welding, brazing fumes (released at relatively low velocity into moderately still air) (100-200 f/min.) Within each range the appropriate value depends on: Upper end of the range Lower end of the range 1: Room air currents minimal or favourable to capture 1: Disturbing room air currents 2: Contaminants of low toxicity or of nuisance value only. 2: Contaminants of high toxicity 3: Intermittent, low production. 3: High production, heavy use 4: Large hood or large air mass in motion 4: Small hood-local control only Simple theory shows that air velocity falls rapidly with distance away from the opening of a simple extraction pipe. Velocity generally decreases with the square of distance from the extraction point (in simple cases). Therefore the air speed at the extraction point should be adjusted, accordingly, after reference to distance from the contaminating source. The air velocity at the extraction fan, for example, should be a minimum of 1-2 m/s (200-400 f/min.) for extraction of welding or brazing fumes generated 2 meters distant from the extraction point. Other mechanical considerations, producing performance deficits within the extraction apparatus, make it essential that theoretical air velocities are multiplied by factors of 10 or more when extraction systems are installed or used. If risk of inhalation or overexposure exists, wear SAA approved respirator or work in fume hood. Personal protection Goggles or other suitable eye protection shall be used during all gas welding or oxygen cutting operations. Spectacles without side shields, with suitable filter lenses are permitted for use during gas welding operations on light work, for torch brazing or for inspection. For most open welding/brazing operations, goggles, even with appropriate filters, will not afford sufficient facial protection for operators. Where possible use welding helmets or handshields corresponding to EN 175, ANSI Z49:12005, AS 1336 and AS 1338 which provide the maximum possible facial protection from flying particles and fragments. [WRIA-WTIA Technical Note 71 Eye and face An approved face shield or welding helmet can also have filters for optical radiation protection, and offer additional protection against debris and sparks. protection • UV blocking protective spectacles with side shields or welding goggles are considered primary protection, with the face shield or welding helmet considered secondary protection. > The optical filter in welding goggles, face mask or helmet must be a type which is suitable for the sort of work being done.A filter suitable for gas welding, for instance, should not be used for arc welding • Face masks which are self dimming are available for arc welding, MIG, TIG and plasma cutting, and allow better vision before the arc is struck and after it is extinguished. For submerged arc welding use a lens shade which gives just sufficient arc brightness to allow weld pool control.

Gouging	Carbon	Rods
oouging	Garbon	Rous

Skin protection	See Hand protection below
Hands/feet protection	 Welding gloves conforming to Standards such as EN 12477:2001, ANSI Z49.1, AS/NZS 2161:2008 produced from leather, rubber, treated cotton,or alumininised These gloves protect against mechanical risk caused by abrasion, blade cut, tear and puncture Other gloves which protect against thermal risks (heat and fire) might also be considered - these comply with different standards to those mentioned above. One pair of gloves may not be suitable for all processes. For example, gloves that are suitable for low current Gas Tungsten Arc Welding (GTAW) (thin and flexible) would not be proper for high-current Air Carbon Arc Cutting (CAC-A) (insulated, tough, and durable) Protective gloves eg. Leather gloves or gloves with Leather facing
Body protection	See Other protection below
Other protection	Before starting; consider that protection should be provided for all personnel within 10 metres of any open arc welding operation. Welding sites must be adequately shielded with screens of non flammable materials. Screens should permit ventilation at floor and ceiling levels.
Thermal hazards	Not Available

Respiratory protection

Type ANO-P Filter of sufficient capacity. (AS/NZS 1716 & 1715, EN 143:2000 & 149:2001, ANSI Z88 or national equivalent)

Required Minimum Protection Factor	Half-Face Respirator	Full-Face Respirator	Powered Air Respirator
up to 10 x ES	ANO P1 Air-line*	-	ANO PAPR-P1 -
up to 50 x ES	Air-line**	ANO P2	ANO PAPR-P2
up to 100 x ES	-	ANO P3	-
		Air-line*	-
100+ x ES	-	Air-line**	ANO PAPR-P3

* - Negative pressure demand ** - Continuous flow

A(AII classes) = Organic vapours, B AUS or B1 = Acid gasses, B2 = Acid gas or hydrogen cyanide(HCN), B3 = Acid gas or hydrogen cyanide(HCN), E = Sulfur dioxide(SO2), G = Agricultural chemicals, K = Ammonia(NH3), Hg = Mercury, NO = Oxides of nitrogen, MB = Methyl bromide, AX = Low boiling point organic compounds(below 65 degC)

Welding of powder coated metal requires good general area ventilation, and ventilated mask as local heat causes minor coating decomposition releasing highly discomforting fume which may be harmful if exposure is regular.

Welding or flame cutting of metals with chromate pigmented primers or coatings may result in inhalation of highly toxic chromate fumes. Exposures may be significant in enclosed or poorly ventilated areas

SECTION 9 PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance	Black odourless solid; insoluble in water.		
Physical state	Solid	Relative density (Water = 1)	2.2136 (Graphite)
Odour	Not Available	Partition coefficient n-octanol / water	Not Available
Odour threshold	Not Available	Auto-ignition temperature (°C)	Not Available
pH (as supplied)	Not Available	Decomposition temperature	Not Available
Melting point / freezing point (°C)	>600 (Graphite)	Viscosity (cSt)	Not Available
Initial boiling point and boiling range (°C)	Not Available	Molecular weight (g/mol)	Not Applicable
Flash point (°C)	Not Available	Taste	Not Available
Evaporation rate	Not Available	Explosive properties	Not Available
Flammability	Not Available	Oxidising properties	Not Available
Upper Explosive Limit (%)	Not Available	Surface Tension (dyn/cm or mN/m)	Not Applicable

Lower Explosive Limit (%)	Not Available	Volatile Component (%vol)	Not Available
Vapour pressure (kPa)	Not Available	Gas group	Not Available
Solubility in water (g/L)	Immiscible	pH as a solution (1%)	Not Available
Vapour density (Air = 1)	Not Available	VOC g/L	Not Available

SECTION 10 STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity	See section 7
Chemical stability	 Unstable in the presence of incompatible materials. Product is considered stable. Hazardous polymerisation will not occur.
Possibility of hazardous reactions	See section 7
Conditions to avoid	See section 7
Incompatible materials	See section 7
Hazardous decomposition products	See section 5

SECTION 11 TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Information on toxicological effects

Inhaled	Inhalation of vapours or aerosols (mists, fumes), generated by the material during the course of normal handling, may be damaging to the health of the individual. Limited evidence or practical experience suggests that the material may produce irritation of the respiratory system, in a significant number of individuals, following inhalation. In contrast to most organs, the lung is able to respond to a chemical insult by first removing or neutralising the irritant and then repairing the damage. The repair process, which initially evolved to protect mammalian lungs from foreign matter and antigens, may however, produce further lung damage resulting in the impairment of gas exchange, the primary function of the lungs. Respiratory tract irritation often results in an inflammatory response involving the recruitment and activation of many cell types, mainly derived from the vascular system. Fumes evolved during welding operations may be irritating to the upper-respiratory tract and may be harmful if inhaled. Inhalation of freshly formed metal oxide particles sized below 1.5 microns and generally between 0.02 to 0.05 microns may result in "metal fume fever". Symptoms may be delayed for up to 12 hours and begin with the sudden onset of thirst, and a sweet, metallic or foul taste in the mouth. Other symptoms include upper respiratory tract irritation accompanied by coughing and a dryness of the mucous membranes, lassitude and a generalised feeling of malaise. Mild to severe headache, nausea, occasional vomiting, fever or chills, exaggerated mental activity, profuse sweating, diarrhoea, excessive urination and prostration may also occur. Tolerance to the fumes develops rapidly, but is quickly lost. All symptoms usually subside within 24-36 hours following removal from exposure.
Ingestion	The material has NOT been classified by EC Directives or other classification systems as "harmful by ingestion". This is because of the lack of corroborating animal or human evidence. The material may still be damaging to the health of the individual, following ingestion, especially where pre-existing organ (e.g liver, kidney) damage is evident. Present definitions of harmful or toxic substances are generally based on doses producing mortality rather than those producing morbidity (disease, ill-health). Gastrointestinal tract discomfort may produce nausea and vomiting. In an occupational setting however, ingestion of insignificant quantities is not thought to be cause for concern.
Skin Contact	The material is not thought to produce adverse health effects or skin irritation following contact (as classified by EC Directives using animal models). Nevertheless, good hygiene practice requires that exposure be kept to a minimum and that suitable gloves be used in an occupational setting. Ultraviolet radiation (UV) is generated by the electric arc in the welding process. Skin exposure to UV can result in severe burns, in many cases without prior warning. Exposure to infrared radiation (IR), produced by the electric arc and other flame cutting equipment may heat the skin surface and the tissues immediately below the surface. Except for this effect, which can progress to thermal burns in some situations, infrared radiation is not dangerous to welders. Most welders protect themselves from IR (and UV) with a welder's helmet (or glasses) and protective clothing. Irritation and skin reactions are possible with sensitive skin Open cuts, abraded or irritated skin should not be exposed to this material Entry into the blood-stream through, for example, cuts, abrasions, puncture wounds or lesions, may produce systemic injury with harmful effects. Examine the skin prior to the use of the material and ensure that any external damage is suitably protected.
Eye	Limited evidence exists, or practical experience suggests, that the material may cause eye irritation in a substantial number of individuals and/or is expected to produce significant ocular lesions which are present twenty-four hours or more after instillation into the eye(s) of experimental animals. Repeated or prolonged eye contact may cause inflammation

	characterised by temporary redness (similar to windburn) of the conjunctiva (conjunctivitis); temporary impairment of vision and/or other transient eye damage/ulceration may occur. Ultraviolet (UV) radiation can also damage the lens of the eye. Many arc welders are aware of the condition known as "arc-eye," a sensation of sand in the eyes. This condition is caused by excessive eye exposure to UV. Exposure to ultraviolet rays may also increase the skin effects of some industrial chemicals (coal tar and cresol compounds, for example). Exposure of the human eye to intense visible light can produce adaptation, pupillary reflex, and shading of the eyes. Such actions are protective mechanisms to prevent excessive light from being focused on the retina. In the arc welding process, eye exposure to intense visible light is prevented for the most part by the welder's helmet. However, some individuals have sustained retinal damage due to careless "viewing" of the arc. At no time should the arc be observed without eye protection.
Chronic	On the basis, primarily, of animal experiments, concern has been expressed that the material may produce carcinogenic or mutagenic effects; in respect of the available information, however, there presently exists inadequate data for making a satisfactory assessment. Limited evidence suggests that repeated or long-term occupational exposure may produce cumulative health effects involving organs or biochemical systems. Limited evidence shows that inhalation of the material is capable of inducing a sensitisation reaction in a significant number of individuals at a greater frequency than would be expected from the response of a normal population. Pulmonary sensitisation, resulting in hyperactive airway dysfunction and pulmonary allergy may be accompanied by fatigue. Mataise and aching. Significant symptoms of exposure may persist for extended periods, even after exposure ceases. Symptoms can be activated by a variety of nonspecific environmental stimuli such as automobile exhaust, perfumes and passive smoking. Principal route of exposure is inhalation of welding fumes from electrodes and workpiece. Reaction products arising from electrode core and flux appear as welding fume depending on welding conditions, relative volatilities of metal oxides and any coatings on the workpiece. Studies of lung cancer among welders inclicate that they may experience a 30-40% increased risk compared to the general population. Since smoking and exposure to other cancer-causing agents, which mild stee welding represents little risk, the stainless steel welder, exposed to chromium and nickel fume, may be at risk and it is this factor which may account for the overall increases uch as welding, give rise to a number of potential health problems. Particles smaller than 5 micron (respirables) articles may cause lung deterioration. Particles of less than 1.5 micron can be trapped in the lungs and, dependent on the nature of the particle, may give rise to a number of potential health problems. Particles smaller than 5 micr

Gouging Carbon	TOXICITY	IRRITATION
Rods	Not Available	Not Available
	ΤΟΧΙΟΙΤΥ	IRRITATION
graphite	Inhalation (rat) LC50: >2 mg/L/4hr ^[1]	Not Available
	Oral (rat) LD50: >2000 mg/kg ^[2]	
	ΤΟΧΙΟΙΤΥ	IRRITATION
bitumen (petroleum)	Dermal (rabbit) LD50: >2000 mg/kg ^[1]	Not Available
	Oral (rat) LD50: >5000 mg/kg ^[1]	
	TOXICITY	IRRITATION
	dermal (rat) LD50: >2000 mg/kg ^[1]	Not Available
copper	Inhalation (rat) LC50: 0.733 mg/l/4hr ^[1]	
	Inhalation (rat) LC50: 1.03 mg/l/4hr ^[1]	

	Inhalation (rat) LC50: 1.67 mg/l/4hr ^[1]	
	Oral (rat) LD50: 300-500 mg/kg ^[1]	
welding fumes	TOXICITY	IRRITATION
weiding rumes	Not Available	Not Available
	TOXICITY	IRRITATION
	dermal (rat) LD50: >2000 mg/kg ^[1]	Not Available
	Inhalation (rat) LC50: 0.733 mg/l/4hr ^[1]	
copper fume	Inhalation (rat) LC50: 1.03 mg/l/4hr ^[1]	
	Inhalation (rat) LC50: 1.67 mg/l/4hr ^[1]	
	Oral (rat) LD50: 300-500 mg/kg ^[1]	
	тохісіту	IRRITATION
ozone	Inhalation (rat) LC50: 0.001 mg/L/44hr ^[2]	Not Available
	Inhalation (rat) LC50: 4.8 ppm/4hr ^[2]	
	тохісіту	IRRITATION
nitrogen oxides	Not Available	Not Available
Legend:	 Value obtained from Europe ECHA Registered Substances - Acute toxicity 2.* Value obtained from manufacturer's SDS. Unless otherwise specified data extracted from RTECS - Register of Toxic Effect of chemical Substances 	

	for copper and its compounds (typically copper chloride):
	Acute toxicity: There are no reliable acute oral toxicity results available. In an acute dermal toxicity study (OECD TG 402), one group of 5 male rats and 5 groups of 5 female rats received doses of 1000, 1500 and 2000 mg/kg bw via dermal application for 24 hours. The LD50 values of copper monochloride were 2,000 mg/kg bw or greater for male (no deaths
	observed) and 1,224 mg/kg bw for female. Four females died at both 1500 and 2000 mg/kg bw, and one at 1,000 mg/kg bw. Symptom of the hardness of skin, an exudation of hardness site, the formation of scar and reddish changes were observed on application sites in all treated animals. Skin inflammation and injury were also noted. In addition, a reddish or black urine
	was observed in females at 2,000, 1,500 and 1,000 mg/kg bw. Female rats appeared to be more sensitive than male based on mortality and clinical signs.
	No reliable skin/eye irritation studies were available. The acute dermal study with copper monochloride suggests that it has a potential to cause skin irritation.
	Repeat dose toxicity: In repeated dose toxicity study performed according to OECD TG 422, copper monochloride was given orally (gavage) to Sprague-Dawley rats for 30 days to males and for 39 - 51 days to females at concentrations of 0, 1.3, 5.0, 20, and 80 mg/kg bw/day. The NOAEL value was 5 and 1.3 mg/kg bw/day for male and female rats, respectively.
	No deaths were observed in male rats. One treatment-related death was observed in female rats in the high dose group. Erythropoietic toxicity (anaemia) was seen in both sexes at the 80 mg/kg bw/day. The frequency of squamous cell hyperplasia of the forestomach was increased in a dose-dependent manner in male and female rats at all treatment groups,
000050	and was statistically significant in males at doses of =20 mg/kg bw/day and in females at doses of =5 mg/kg bw/day doses. The observed effects are considered to be local, non-systemic effect on the forestomach which result from oral (gavage)
COPPER	administration of copper monochloride.
	Genotoxicity: An in vitro genotoxicity study with copper monochloride showed negative results in a bacterial reverse mutation test with Salmonella typhimurium strains (TA 98, TA 100, TA 1535, and TA 1537) with and without S9 mix at
	concentrations of up to 1,000 ug/plate. An in vitro test for chromosome aberration in Chinese hamster lung (CHL) cells
	showed that copper monochloride induced structural and numerical aberrations at the concentration of 50, 70 and 100 ug/mL
	without S9 mix. In the presence of the metabolic activation system, significant increases of structural aberrations were
	observed at 50 and 70 ug/mL and significant increases of numerical aberrations were observed at 70 ug/mL. In an in vivo
	mammalian erythrocyte micronucleus assay, all animals dosed (15 - 60 mg/kg bw) with copper monochloride exhibited similar
	PCE/(PCE+NCE) ratios and MNPCE frequencies compared to those of the negative control animals. Therefore copper monochloride is not an in vivo mutagen.
	Carcinogenicity: there was insufficient information to evaluate the carcinogenic activity of copper monochloride.
	Reproductive and developmental toxicity: In the combined repeated dose toxicity study with the reproduction/developmental
	toxicity screening test (OECD TG 422), copper monochloride was given orally (gavage) to Sprague-Dawley rats for 30 days
	to males and for 39-51 days to females at concentrations of 0, 1.3, 5.0, 20, and 80 mg/kg bw/day. The NOAEL of copper monochloride for fertility toxicity was 80 mg/kg bw/day for the parental animals. No treatment-related effects were observed
	on the reproductive organs and the fertility parameters assessed. For developmental toxicity the NOAEL was 20 mg/kg
	bw/day. Three of 120 pups appeared to have icterus at birth; 4 of 120 pups appeared runted at the highest dose tested (80
	mg/kg bw/day).
	WARNING: Inhalation of high concentrations of copper fume may cause "metal fume fever", an acute industrial disease of short duration. Symptoms are tiredness, influenza like respiratory tract irritation with fever.

WELDING FUMES	Mast welding is performed using electric arc processes - manual metal arc, metal inert gas (MG) and tungsten inert gas welding (TIG) – and most welding is on mild steel. There has been considerable evidence ever several decades regarding cancer risks in relation to welding activities. Several case-control studies reported excess risks of ocular melanoma in welders. This association may be due to the presence in some welding environments of fumes of thorium-232, which is used in tungsten welding environments, notably in stainless steel welding, do carry risks of lung cancer. This widespread consensus is in part based on empirical evidence regarding risks among stainless steel welders and in part on the fact that stainless steel welding environments, notably in stainless steel welding, do carry risks of lung cancer. This widespread consensus is in part based on empirical evidence regarding risks among stainless steel welders and in part on the fact that stainless steel welding environments, notably in stainless steel velding, do carry risks of lung cancer annoy welders as a whole in the order of 20%-40%. The most evidence is that there has been an excess risk of lung cancer annoy welders as a whole in the order of 20%-40%. The most evidence is that there has been an excess risk of lung cancer annoy welders as a whole in the order of 20%-40%. The most byges of welders, It has been have proposed that inor fumes may play such a role, and some Finnish data appear to support this hypothesis, though not conclusively. This hypothesis would also imply that excess lung cancer risks among welders as enort unique to welders, but rather may be shared among many types of metal working occupations. Welders are exposed to a range of fumes and gase (evaporated metal, metal oxides, hydrocathons, nanparticles, ozone, oxides of nirogen (NO2)) depending on the electrodes, filler wire and flux materials used in the process, but also physical exposures but selectic and ther compounds, which are produced ma
	exposure.
OZONE	Not available. Refer to individual constituents. NOTE: Ozone aggravates chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases. Ozone is suspected also of increasing the risk of acute and chronic respiratory disease, mutagenesis and foetotoxicity. In animals short-term exposure to ambient concentrations of less than 1 ppm results in reduced capacity to kill intrapulmonary organisms and allows purulent bacteria to proliferate [Ellenhorn etal].
nitrogen oxides	Data for nitrogen dioxide: Substance has been investigated as a mutagen and reproductive effector. NOTE: Interstitial edema, epithelial proliferation and, in high concentrations, fibrosis and emphysema develop after repeated exposure.
GRAPHITE & BITUMEN (PETROLEUM) & OZONE & nitrogen oxides	Asthma-like symptoms may continue for months or even years after exposure to the material ceases. This may be due to a non-allergenic condition known as reactive airways dysfunction syndrome (RADS) which can occur following exposure to high levels of highly irritating compound. Key criteria for the diagnosis of RADS include the absence of preceding respiratory disease, in a non-atopic individual, with abrupt onset of persistent asthma-like symptoms within minutes to hours of a documented exposure to the irritant. A reversible airflow pattern, on spirometry, with the presence of moderate to severe bronchial hyperreactivity on methacholine challenge testing and the lack of minimal lymphocytic inflammation, without eosinophilia, have also been included in the criteria for diagnosis of RADS. RADS (or asthma) following an irritating inhalation is an infrequent disorder with rates related to the concentration of and duration of exposure to the irritating substance. Industrial bronchitis, on the other hand, is a disorder that occurs as result of exposure due to high concentrations of irritating substance (often particulate in nature) and is completely reversible after exposure ceases. The disorder is characterised by

dyspnea, cough and mucus production. **GRAPHITE & BITUMEN** No significant acute toxicological data identified in literature search. (PETROLEUM) BITUMEN (PETROLEUM) & WARNING: This substance has been classified by the IARC as Group 2B: Possibly Carcinogenic to Humans. WELDING FUMES Acute Toxicity \odot Carcinogenicity × Skin \bigcirc Reproductivity \bigcirc Irritation/Corrosion Serious Eye STOT - Single \bigcirc \odot Damage/Irritation Exposure STOT - Repeated Respiratory or Skin \bigcirc \bigcirc sensitisation Exposure \bigcirc \bigcirc Mutagenicity **Aspiration Hazard** ¥ − Data available but does not fill the criteria for classification Legend: Data required to make classification available

 \odot – Data Not Available to make classification

SECTION 12 ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Toxicity

Ingredient	Endpoint	Test Duration (hr)	Species	Value	Source
copper	LC50	96	Fish	0.0028mg/L	2
copper	EC50	48	Crustacea	0.001mg/L	5
copper	EC50	72	Algae or other aquatic plants	0.013335mg/L	4
copper	BCF	960	Fish	200mg/L	4
copper	EC50	96	Crustacea	0.001mg/L	5
copper	NOEC	96	Crustacea	0.0008mg/L	4
copper fume	LC50	96	Fish	0.0028mg/L	2
copper fume	EC50	48	Crustacea	0.001mg/L	5
copper fume	EC50	72	Algae or other aquatic plants	0.013335mg/L	4
copper fume	BCF	960	Fish	200mg/L	4
copper fume	EC50	96	Crustacea	0.001mg/L	5
copper fume	NOEC	96	Crustacea	0.0008mg/L	4
ozone	LC50	96	Fish	0.0093mg/L	4
ozone	EC50	96	Fish	0.0093mg/L	5
ozone	NOEC	2160	Fish	0.002mg/L	5
Legend:	3. EPIWIN Suite	e V3.12 - Aquatic Toxicity Data	rope ECHA Registered Substances - a (Estimated) 4. US EPA, Ecotox data apan) - Bioconcentration Data 7. MET	abase - Aquatic Toxicity	Data 5. ECETC

Harmful to aquatic organisms. **DO NOT** discharge into sewer or waterways.

Data

Persistence and degradability

Ingredient	Persistence: Water/Soil	Persistence: Air
	No Data available for all ingredients	No Data available for all ingredients

Bioaccumulative potential

Ingredient	Bioaccumulation
	No Data available for all ingredients

Mobility in soil

Ingredient

No Data available for all ingredients

SECTION 13 DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

aste treatment meth	iods
	Recycle wherever possible or consult manufacturer for recycling options.
	 Consult State Land Waste Management Authority for disposal.
Product / Packaging	DO NOT allow wash water from cleaning or process equipment to enter drains.
disposal	It may be necessary to collect all wash water for treatment before disposal.
	In all cases disposal to sewer may be subject to local laws and regulations and these should be considered first.
	Where in doubt contact the responsible authority.

SECTION 14 TRANSPORT INFORMATION

Labels Required

Marine Pollutant	NO
HAZCHEM	Not Applicable

Land transport (ADG): NOT REGULATED FOR TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS

Air transport (ICAO-IATA / DGR): NOT REGULATED FOR TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS

Sea transport (IMDG-Code / GGVSee): NOT REGULATED FOR TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS

Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL and the IBC code

Not Applicable

SECTION 15 REGULATORY INFORMATION

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

GRAPHITE(7782-42-5) IS FOUND ON THE FOLLOWING REGULATORY LIST	ïS			
Australia Exposure Standards	Australia Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)			
Australia Hazardous Substances Information System - Consolidated Lists				
BITUMEN (PETROLEUM)(8052-42-4) IS FOUND ON THE FOLLOWING REG	ULATORY LISTS			
Australia Exposure Standards	Australia Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)			
Australia Hazardous Substances Information System - Consolidated Lists	International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) - Agents Classified by the IARC Monographs			
COPPER(7440-50-8) IS FOUND ON THE FOLLOWING REGULATORY LISTS	í l			
Australia Exposure Standards	Australia Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)			
Australia Hazardous Substances Information System - Consolidated Lists				
WELDING FUMES(NOT AVAIL.) IS FOUND ON THE FOLLOWING REGULAT	TORY LISTS			
Australia Exposure Standards	International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) - Agents Classified			
Australia Hazardous Substances Information System - Consolidated Lists	by the IARC Monographs			
COPPER FUME(7440-50-8.) IS FOUND ON THE FOLLOWING REGULATORY LISTS				
Australia Exposure Standards	Australia Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)			
Australia Hazardous Substances Information System - Consolidated Lists				
OZONE(10028-15-6) IS FOUND ON THE FOLLOWING REGULATORY LISTS				
Australia Exposure Standards	Australia Hazardous Substances Information System - Consolidated Lists			
NITROGEN OXIDES(MIXTURE) IS FOUND ON THE FOLLOWING REGULAT	ORY LISTS			
International Air Transport Association (IATA) Dangerous Goods Regulations				
- Prohibited List Passenger and Cargo Aircraft				
National Inventory Status				
Australia - AICS N (ozone; welding fumes; nitrogen oxides)				

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Canada - NDSL	N (copper fume; graphite; copper; welding fumes; nitrogen oxides; bitumen (petroleum))
China - IECSC	N (welding fumes; nitrogen oxides)
Europe - EINEC / ELINCS / NLP	N (welding fumes; nitrogen oxides)
Japan - ENCS	N (copper fume; ozone; graphite; copper; welding fumes; nitrogen oxides; bitumen (petroleum))
Korea - KECI	N (welding fumes; nitrogen oxides)
New Zealand - NZIoC	N (welding fumes; nitrogen oxides)
Philippines - PICCS	N (ozone; welding fumes; nitrogen oxides)
USA - TSCA	N (welding fumes; nitrogen oxides)
Legend:	Y = All ingredients are on the inventory N = Not determined or one or more ingredients are not on the inventory and are not exempt from listing(see specific ingredients in brackets)

SECTION 16 OTHER INFORMATION

Other information

Ingredients with multiple cas numbers

Name	CAS No
copper	7440-50-8, 133353-46-5, 133353-47-6, 195161-80-9, 65555-90-0, 72514-83-1

Classification of the preparation and its individual components has drawn on official and authoritative sources as well as independent review by the Chemwatch Classification committee using available literature references.

A list of reference resources used to assist the committee may be found at:

www.chemwatch.net

The SDS is a Hazard Communication tool and should be used to assist in the Risk Assessment. Many factors determine whether the reported Hazards are Risks in the workplace or other settings. Risks may be determined by reference to Exposures Scenarios. Scale of use, frequency of use and current or available engineering controls must be considered.

Definitions and abbreviations

PC – TWA: Permissible Concentration-Time Weighted Average PC – STEL: Permissible Concentration-Short Term Exposure Limit IARC: International Agency for Research on Cancer ACGIH: American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists STEL: Short Term Exposure Limit TEEL: Temporary Emergency Exposure Limit. IDLH: Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health Concentrations OSF: Odour Safety Factor NOAEL :No Observed Adverse Effect Level LOAEL: Lowest Observed Adverse Effect Level TLV: Threshold Limit Value LOD: Limit Of Detection OTV: Odour Threshold Value BCF: BioConcentration Factors BEI: Biological Exposure Index

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