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## 1. COMPANY AND PRODUCT INFORMATION

#### 1.1 **Product identifier**

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Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against 1.2

Metal alloys for further processing

1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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Contact: Lars Sundström. E-mail: lars.sundstrom@uddeholm.se 1.4 Emergency telephone number

Emergency phone number: 112

# 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

#### 2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

Alloys containing nickel are classified for skin sensitisation only when the release rate is minimum 0.5µg Ni/cm2/week. The solid alloy does not emit nickel to the extent that it requires labelling and shall not constitute any danger to health or the environment.

#### 2.2. Label elements

Alloys in massive form do not require labelling under current chemical product classification and labelling regulations, if they are not classified as hazardous to health and environment

#### 2.3. Other hazards

Processes which generate particulates from the working of alloys can cause hazards to health or environmental effects. May cause an allergic reaction on contact with skin or by inhalation. The alloys do not meet the criteria for PBT or vPvB in accordance with Annex XIII.

### 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

#### 3.1 Substance

Alloys are considered as special preparations only when they are remelted, otherwise they are classified as articles. For information on each substance in the alloys, see text below.

#### 3.2 Mixture

The substances in the special mixture are as follows:

Ingredient	EINICS-number CAS-number Index-number	Symbols (CLP)	Hazard statements* (CLP)	Symbols (EG-class.)	Risk Phrases (EG-class.)*	Concentration (weight %)
Iron (Fe)	231-096-4 7439-89-6 -	GHS02 Danger	H242	0	R7	>70 %



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Chromium (Cr)	231-157-5	GHS06	H300	N, F	R27/28 20	15-20%		
	7440-47-3	GHS09	H310		50 53			
	-	Danger	H332					
			H410					
Nickel (Ni)	231-111-4	GHS06	H317	Т	R40-43-	8-12%		
	7440-02-0	GHS08	H331		48/23			
	028-002-00-7	Danger	H351					

\*For complete wording of R-phrases and hazard statements see section 16.

# 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

# 4.1 Description of first aid measures

Show this safety data sheet to the doctor on duty.

## 4.1.1. Relevant routes of exposure

## Inhalation

If dust, fumes or mist inhaled, remove patient to fresh air, allow to rest and keep warm.

# Skin contact

Immediately remove any metal fragments or pieces that get under the skin. Wash well with plenty of soap and water following any contact with metal particles. Seek medical attention if irritation develops. **Eye contact** 

Avoid getting finely divided particles in the eyes. Flush immediately with plenty of luke-warm water, keeping eyelids open. Seek medical attention if symptoms persist.

### Ingestion

Alloys in massive form are not hazardous, but should be kept out of the mouth. Finely divided particles may be easily ingested along with food, drink or smoking. If large quantities ingested, seek medical advice.

### 4.2. Most important symptoms and effects

The alloys in themselves or particles from the alloy are not judged as acute toxic. From the medical point of view, there is no evidence to indicate an absolute or a sharp distinction between harmful and non harmful content. An average content in the air of a single substance at the level of the limit considered, with current knowledge, generally not present any risk of injury or discomfort. It is nevertheless important to strive to keep all air pollutants as low as possible during the exposure limit. A particularly important situation is that if someone is exposed to multiple air pollutants simultaneously or exposed to air pollution related to heavy work. Keep dust levels below the limits mentioned in section 8.1.

# 4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

There is no indication of immediate medical attention or special treatment documented for the alloys.



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### 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

#### 5.1. Extinguishing media

The alloys are non-combustible.

Where metal dust or powder is involved, cover with dry sand, chemical powder, or other dry inert material to minimise the risk of explosion. DO NOT use water.

#### Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture 5.2.

Finely divided iron can explode in contact with air. Solid iron will react with oxidising materials, fluorine, chlorine, chlorine trifluoride, hydrogen peroxide, etc. Finely divided chromium can explode in contact with air. Solid will react with bromine pentafluoride. Finely divided chromium will react with carbon dioxide, nitrogen oxides, sulphur dioxide.

#### 5.3. Advice for fire-fighter

Use ordinary safety equipment.

## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

#### 6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Not applicable to solid metal/alloys in massive form. In particulate form, wear personal protective equipment as specified in Section 8. Avoid contact with the skin. Do not inhale dust.

#### 6.2. **Environmental precautions**

Collect powder using a vacuum cleaner or by gentle sweeping to keep dust away from drains, surface and ground water. Prevent particulates from entering watercourses or drains. Avoid formation of dust clouds.

#### 6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Not applicable to solid metal/alloys in massive form.

Collect powder using a vacuum cleaner or by gentle sweeping.

In molten state: dam up the leaked material with dry sand or road salt. Do not shovel or use hand tools to affect the molten metal flow.

#### 6.4. Reference to other sections

See also section 8.2.7.

### 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

#### 7.1 Precautions for safe handling

No special precautions necessary for alloys in massive form other than normal physical handling techniques. Extraction should be used when working with particulate material (dust, fumes, mist). Avoid prolonged inhalation of dust. Wear gloves to avoid contact with skin (see Section 8). Working areas should be provided with extraction. Factories should be kept clean to avoid any unnecessary contamination.

Do not to eat, drink and smoke in work areas and wash hands/shower when leaving the working areas.

#### 7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store in a dry environment.

#### 7.3 Specific end use(s)

See section 13.



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# 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

### 8.1. Control parameters

All over 8 hour period unless otherwise stated. Monitoring procedures are not required.

Chromium	UK	WEL*	0.5mg/m <sup>3</sup>	total
	Sweden	NGV*	0.5mg/m <sup>3</sup>	total
			5mg/m <sup>3</sup>	respirable
Nickel	UK	WEL	0.5mg/m <sup>3</sup>	total
	Sweden	NGV	0.5mg/m <sup>3</sup>	total
	Sweden	NGV	0.2mg/m <sup>3</sup>	total

\*Workplace exposure limits in UK and Sweden.

#### 8.2 Exposure control

Always check the applicability of any protective equipment with your supplier.

#### 8.2.1 Eye/face protection

Always wear eye protection when handling dusts and other particulates, eg safety glasses with side protection, safety goggles or visor

#### 8.2.2 Skin protection

Always wear protective clothing when handling dusts and other particulates.

#### 8.2.3 Hand protection

Wear hand protection, eg leather gloves when handling alloys with sharp edges to avoid cuts. Always wear disposable nitrile or vinyl gloves when handling particulate material to avoid skin contact. Where necessary wear the disposable gloves under work gloves to protect against both types of hazard.

#### 8.2.4 **Respiratory protection**

Alloys in delivered in solid form give no health risk through inhalation. Extraction should be used when working with particulate material (dust, fumes, mist). In case of prolonged or frequent exposure to particulates, wear particle filter mask (P3).

#### 8.2.5 General hygiene measures

Wash hands well with soap and water after handling dusty materials. Wash contaminated clothing to avoid secondary contamination or contamination of other personnel.

#### 8.2.6 Thermal hazards

Ensure adequate ventilation to keep levels of air-borne particles below occupational exposure limits given above. Working areas should be provided with extraction. Factories should be kept clean to avoid any unnecessary contamination.

#### 8.2.7 Environmental exposure control

Avoid letting dust and fumes entering the outside air.

# 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

#### 9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Apearance: Silver gray metallic, alloy in massive form **Odour: Odurless** Melting point / freezing point: 1200 -1500°C Vapour density: 7.8 kg/dm<sup>3</sup> Note: These are typical values and do not constitute a specification.

#### 9.2. Other information

No other physical or chemical parameters are necessary for the alloys.



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### **10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

#### 10.1. Reactivity

Alloys are stable. Any reaction should not take place under normal circumstances.

#### 10.2. Chemical stability

Alloys are stable. Corrosion should not take place under normal circumstances.

10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

### See section 5.2.

#### 10.4. Conditions to avoid

No special conditions need to be avoided for the alloys, however keep dust and fumes from entering the environment.

#### 10.5. Incompatible materials

Contact with acids can generate explosive gasses, eg hydrogen.

#### 10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

The alloys are stable.

## **11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

#### 11.1. Information on toxicological effects

Alloys contain nickel which carry a risk of producing an allergic reaction following prolonged contact or in already sensitised persons. No further toxicological data available for the alloys. See below for LD50 or LC50 for the individual substances, since no LC50 or LD50 has been established for the mixture as a whole.

Chromium - Oral LD <sub>50</sub> rat	19.8 mg/kg bodyweight	(highly toxic)
Nickel- Oral LD <sub>50</sub> rat	1500 mg/kg bodyweight	
Iron - Oral LD <sub>50</sub> rat	30000 mg/kg bodyweight	(not harmful)

# **12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

#### 12.1. Toxicity

Alloys contain metals which are considered to be very toxic towards aquatic organisms. Finely divided alloys are therefore considered harmful to aquatic organisms.

#### 12.2. Persistence and degradability

The alloys consist of elements that can not degrade any further in the environment.

#### 12.3. **Bioaccumulative potential**

Alloys contain heavy metals which bioaccumulate in the food chain. The following figures are the bioconcentration factor (BCF) for the substances on their own:

Iron, BCF: 140000

Chromium, BCF: 200

Nickel, BCF: 16

#### 12.4. Mobility in soil

Metal alloys are not soluble in water or soil. Particles formed by working alloys can be transported in the air. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment 12.5.

No chemical saftey report is required for the alloys, however neither the alloys in itself or the substances that it consist of, meet the criteria for PBT or vPvB in accordance with REACH, Annex XIII.

#### Other adverse effects 12.6.

In massive form alloys present no hazards to the aquatic environment. Particles and ions can, never the less, enter the aquatic compartment by means of dusts or smoke, or by liberation due to erosion thereby introducing iron or heavy metals into the ground or water.



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## **13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

#### 13.1. Waste treatment methods

Non-contaminated waste from the production and pure-grade- alloys are recyclable. The unused product (massive alloy) is not classified as hazardous waste. Dispose in accordance with appropriate government regulations. Any residues of finely divided product (particles, dust, fumes) are regarded as Hazardous Waste. Contact your local entrepreneur for advice.

# **14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

#### 14.1. **UN number**

Alloys in massive form are not classified as dangerous goods for transport and has no UN number.

14.2. UN proper shipping name

Alloys in massive form are not classified as dangerous goods for transport and has no UN proper shipping name 14.3. Transport hazard class(es)

Alloys in massive form are not classified as dangerous goods for transport.

#### Packing group 14.4.

There are not any special precautions with which a user should or must comply or be aware of in connection with transport or conveyance either within or outside his premises.

#### **Environmental hazards** 14.5.

The alloys are not environmentally hazardous according to the criteria of the UN Model Regulations (as reflected in the IMDG Code, ADR, RID and ADN) and/or a marine pollutant according to the IMDG Code. 14.6. Special precautions for user

There are not any special precautions which a user should or must comply or be aware of in connection with transport or conveyance either within or outside his premises of the alloys.

#### 14.7. Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code

Alloys in massive form do not subject under MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code.

# **15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

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

Prepared according to EU Directives 1907/2006 (REACH) & 1272/2008 (CLP). Classifications mentioned in table 3.2 concerns substances in their crushed form. Alloys in massive form do not require labelling under current chemical product classification and labelling regulations, if they are not classified as hazardous to health and environment. Contains nickel and cobalt. Alloys in particulate form eg dust, fumes, mist may cause an allergic reaction on contact with skin or if inhaled.

#### 15.2. **Chemical Safety Assessment**

No chemical safety assessment has been carried out for the product.

# **16. OTHER INFORMATION**

# 16.1 Modifications since previous version

Version 3: name change of company

The information has been updated in sections.

### Key literature references and sources for data

For this version has http://kemi.prevent.se/ (a chemical substances database which is a compilation of data from numerous sources) been used for information on individual substances.

Full text of R-phrases used in Section 3



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- R20 Harmful by inhalation
- R27/28 Very toxic in contact with skin and if swallowed
- Limited evidence of a carcinogenic effect R40
- R43 May cause sensitisation by skin contact
- Toxic: danger of serious damage to health by prolonged exposure through inhalation R48/23
- R50 Very toxic to aquatic organisms
- R53 May cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment

Full text of Hazard statements used in Section3

- H242 Heating may cause a fire
- H300 Fatal if swallowed
- Fatal in contact with skin H310
- H317 May cause an allergic skin reaction
- Toxic if inhaled H331
- Harmful if inhaled H332
- H351 Suspected of causing cancer
- H410 Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects

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