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Not controlled (Canada)

# SECTION 1. CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Trade Name Zinc Metal (Ingot, Shot)

Product Code None

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Zinc métallique (lingot, grenaille) (French)

DSL (Domestic Substance List)
Name / Chemical Formula
Chemical Family
Listed
Zinc / Zn
Metal

**Utilization** Steel galvanizing; Alloying; Batteries.

## **SECTION 2. COMPOSITION AND INFORMATIONS ON INGREDIENTS**

### **Exposure Limits**

			ACGIH (U.S.A.) 2006	OSHA (U.S.A.)	QUÉBEC (CA)
Name	CAS#	Percentage (%)	TLV-TWA (mg/m³)	PEL - TWA (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	TWAEV (mg/m³)
Zinc	7440-66-6	100	10 (inhal. particle N.O.S.)	15 (total dust N.O.S.)	10 (total dust N.O.S.)
			3 (resp. particle N.O.S.)	5 (resp. dust N.O.S.)	5 (resp. dust N.O.S.)

ACGIH: American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists. OSHA: Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

Note: Zinc: ACGIH TLV-TWA PNOC: Particulate matter containing no asbestos and < 1% crystalline silica. LD50 and LC50: Not available.

(RTECS).

Consult local authorities for acceptable exposure limits.

## **SECTION 3. RISK IDENTIFICATION FOR HUMAN HEALTH**

Routes of Entry Ingestion. Inhalation (Vapours).

Carcinogenicity Zinc: NOT CLASSIFIED (IARC); NOT A CARCINOGEN (OSHA, NTP).

Mutagenicity Not applicable. **Tératogenicity** Not applicable.

Acute Effects Solid form: No health hazards. Conditions and work practices, which generate dust or fumes, should be avoided or

controlled.

## **SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES**

Eye ContactNot applicable (Ingot)Skin ContactNot applicable (Ingot)InhalationNot applicable (Ingot)IngestionNot applicable (Ingot)

## **SECTION 5. FIRE AND EXPLOSION DATA**

Flash Point
Not applicable
Flammable Limits
Not applicable
Auto-Ignition Temperature
Products of Combustion
Zinc oxide

**Fire Hazard** No fire hazard. Avoid melting moist metal.

**Explosion Hazard** Not explosive (Mechanical impact; Static discharge).

Only DRY metal should be added to a molten bath. Exposure to excessive moisture may result in water infiltration into metal cavities. When added to a molten bath, this could lead to bubbling and possibility of explosion if the water is trapped within the internal cavities. NEVER spray water on burning metal because of the risk of explosion

which would splatter flaming particles of metal to great distances.

Fire Fighting (Instructions) NON-FLAMMABLE. Use fire fighting materials and procedures adapted to the immediate environment.

Firefighters must wear full protective clothing and self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA).

### **SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

Spill Use appropriate tools to pile up ingots in a secure way. Use appropriate tools to put the spilled shots in a convenient

recycling container.

**Personal Protection** Safety glasses. Coveralls. Work gloves and boots.

## **SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE**

Handling DO NOT inhale dust and vapours. Follow good personal hygiene practices. Observe best foundry practices when

storing, handling and processing this material.

**Storage** Away: Moisture, incompatible substances (Acids).

## **SECTION 8. ENGINEERING CONTROLS AND PERSONAL PROTECTION**

**Engineering Controls** No special ventilation requirements

**Personal Protection** Safety glasses. Coveralls. Work gloves and boots.



## **SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

Physical State and Appearance Solid (Ingot; Shot) Odour Odourless **Molecular Weight** 65.37 Taste Metallic pH (1% soln/water) Not applicable Colour Grevish **Boiling Point** 908°C (1 666.4°F) **Vapour Density** Not available **Melting Point** 420°C (788°F) % Moisture Not available **Critical Temperature** Not available **Odour Threshold** Not available **Specific Gravity** 7.14 (Water = 1)Water/Oil Dist. Coeff. Insoluble (Water, oil) Vapour Pressure 1 mm Hg at 487°C **Ionicity (in Water)** Not applicable Volatility Not available Not available **Dispersion** 

Solubility No (Water, methanol, diethyl ether, n-octanol, acetone); Yes (Acid, alkali).

## **SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY DATA**

**Stability** Yes

**Conditions of Instability** Not applicable

Incompatibilities Zinc: With ammonium nitrate, barium dioxide, barium dinitrate, chlorates, chlorides, fluorides, chlorine trifluoride,

chromic trioxide, hydrazine mononitrate, hydroxylamine, performic acid, potassium nitrate, dipotassium peroxide, selenium, sodium peroxide, tellurium, sulfur, sodium hydroxide, nitrobenzene, oxidants; Dust or very fine powder

with water.

**Corrosivity** None

## **SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

**Chronic Effects** No known effects from chronic exposure.

**Zinc :** Essential for health. Vapour oxides inhalation, probably formed when heated to temperatures near or above the boiling point, may cause **metal fume fever**, a delayed, generally benign, transient, reversible flu-like condition.

Toxicity Eating, drinking and smoking must be prohibited in areas where this material is handled and processed. Wash

hands and face before eating, drinking and smoking.

#### **SECTION 12. ECOTOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

**Ecotoxicity Zinc:** Rainbow trout (LC50, 96h): 1.2 ppm; (LC50, 48 h) 4.76 ppm; Zebra fish (LC50, 48 h): 136 ppm.

Toxicity to AnimalsNot availableBiodegradation ProductsNot applicableBiodegradation Products (Toxicity)Not applicable

**Remarks on Environment** No hazard for the environment (Ingot)

**BOD5 and COD** Not available

# SECTION 13. DISPOSAL ARRANGEMENTS

Waste Disposal Recycle to process, if possible. Consult local or regional authorities.

## **SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

TDG (Pictograms)
PIN
Not regulated (Canada)
Not applicable
Special Provisions (Transport)
No additional remarks

### **SECTION 15 OTHER REGULATIONS**

Other Regulations EU (Existing Substances Annex I - Regulation (EC) 793/93): Listed.

Zinc: EU Consolidated Inventories: EC Number 2311753

CERCLA Section 103 Hazardous substances (40 CFR 302.4); SARA Section 313, Toxic Chemicals

(40 CFR 372.65):

**Zinc** (Final RQ): \*1 000 pounds (454 kg)

Classifications HCS (U.S.A.) Not regulated Classifications DSCL (EEC) Not regulated

NFPA (National Fire Protection Association) (U.S.A.)

Fire Hazard 0 Reactivity 0 Health 0 Special Hazard

DOT (U.S.A.) (Pictograms) DSCL (Europe) (Pictograms) ADR (Europe) (Pictograms)

## **SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION**

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#### Glossary

CSST : Commission de la Santé et de la Sécurité du Travail (Québec).

HSBD : Hazardous Substances Data Bank.

IARC : International Agency for Research on Cancer.

NIOSH: National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health.

NTP : U.S. National Toxicology Program.

RTECS: Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances

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