

Material Safety Data Sheet

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1 Identification of substance:

Product details:

Product name: Magnesium rod

Stock number: 10231

Manufacturer/Supplier:

Alfa Aesar, A Johnson Matthey Company
Johnson Matthey Catalog Company, Inc.
30 Bond Street
Ward Hill, MA 01835-8099
Emergency Phone: (978) 521-6300
CHEMTREC: (800) 424-9300
Web Site: www.alfa.com

Information Department: Health, Safety and Environmental Department

Emergency information:

During normal hours the Health, Safety and Environmental Department.
After normal hours call Chemtrec at (800) 424-9300.

2 Composition/Data on components:

Chemical characterization:

Description: (CAS#)

Magnesium (CAS# 7439-95-4), 100%

Identification number(s):

EINECS Number: 231-104-6

3 Hazards identification

Hazard description: Not applicable

Information pertaining to particular dangers for man and environment

Not applicable

Classification system

HMIS ratings (scale 0-4)

(Hazardous Materials Identification System)

HEALTH	0	Health (acute effects) = 0
FIRE	0	Flammability = 0
REACTIVITY	0	Reactivity = 0

4 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 eye contact

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

After swallowing Seek medical treatment.

5 Fire fighting measures

Suitable extinguishing agents Extinguishing powder. Do not use water.

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For safety reasons unsuitable extinguishing agents

Water

Carbon dioxide

Halogenated extinguisher

Protective equipment:

Wear self-contained respirator.

Wear fully protective impervious suit.

6 Accidental release measures**Person-related safety precautions:**

Wear protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.

Ensure adequate ventilation

Measures for environmental protection:

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

Measures for cleaning/collecting: Pick up mechanically.**Additional information:**

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****Information for safe handling:**

Keep container tightly sealed.

Store in cool, dry place in tightly closed containers.

No special precautions are necessary if used correctly.

Information about protection against explosions and fires:

Dust can combine with air to form an explosive mixture.

Storage**Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles:**

No special requirements.

Information about storage in one common storage facility:

Store away from water/moisture.

Store away from oxidizing agents.

Further information about storage conditions:

Keep container tightly sealed.

Protect from humidity and water.

Store in cool, dry conditions in well sealed containers.

8 Exposure controls and 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.

Components with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace:

Not required.

Additional information: No data

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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

Body protection: Protective work clothing.

9 Physical and chemical properties:

General Information

Form:	Rod
Color:	Silver-colored
Odor:	Odorless

Change in condition

Melting point/Melting range:	650°C (1202°F)
Boiling point/Boiling range:	1107°C (2025°F)
Sublimation temperature / start:	Not determined

Flash point: Not applicable

Flammability (solid, gaseous) Product is not flammable.
Powder: contact with water liberates extremely flammable gases.

Ignition temperature: Not determined

Decomposition temperature: Not determined

Danger of explosion: Product does not present an explosion hazard.

Explosion limits:

Lower:	Not determined
Upper:	Not determined

Vapor pressure at 621°C (1150°F): 1.33 hPa (1 mm Hg)

Density at 20°C (68°F): 1.74 g/cm³

Solubility in / Miscibility with Water: Reacts

10 Stability and reactivity

Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:

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

Materials to be avoided:

Water/moisture
Oxidizing agents

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Halocarbons

Halogens

Acid chlorides

Dangerous reactions

No dangerous reactions known

Powder: contact with water liberates extremely flammable gases.

Dangerous products of decomposition: Metal oxide fume**11 Toxicological information****Acute toxicity:****Primary irritant effect:****on the skin:** Powder: irritant effect**on the eye:** Powder: irritant effect**Sensitization:** No sensitizing effects known.**Subacute to chronic toxicity:**

Inhalation of magnesium compounds may cause metal fume fever. Metallic magnesium which perforates the skin may cause local lesions. Some magnesium salts have produced muscle weakness, cardiac arrhythmias, respiratory effects and changes in blood chemistry following ingestion.

Additional toxicological information:

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

No classification data on carcinogenic properties of this material is available from the EPA, IARC, NTP, OSHA or ACGIH.

12 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.

13 Disposal considerations**Product:****Recommendation**

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

Uncleaned packagings:

Recommendation: Disposal must be made according to official regulations.

14 Transport information

Not a hazardous material for transportation.

DOT regulations:

Hazard class: None

Land transport ADR/RID (cross-border)

ADR/RID class: None

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Maritime transport IMDG:**IMDG Class:** None**Air transport ICAO-TI and IATA-DGR:****ICAO/IATA Class:** None**Transport/Additional information:**

Not dangerous according to the above specifications.

15 Regulations**Product related hazard informations:**

Observe the general safety regulations when handling chemicals

National regulations

All components of this product are listed in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Toxic Substances Control Act Chemical substance Inventory.

Information about limitation of use:

For use only by technically qualified individuals.

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 user.

Department issuing MSDS: Health, Safety and Environmental Department.**Contact:** Paul V. Connolly

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