

Classified as hazardous according to criteria of EPA New Zealand

## Section 1 - Identification

Product Name Chromium granules  
 CAS No 7440-47-3  
 Synonyms Chrome

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Recommended Use Laboratory chemicals.

## Section 2 - Hazard(s) Identification

### Classification under Work Safe New Zealand

6.5A - Substances that are respiratory sensitisers  
 6.8B - Substances that are suspected human reproductive or developmental toxicants

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HSNO Approval Number HSR002503

### GHS Classification

#### Physical hazards

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

#### Health hazards

Respiratory Sensitization	Category 1
Reproductive Toxicity	Category 2

#### Environmental hazards

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Label Elements None required

**Signal Word****Danger****Hazard Statements**

H334 - May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled  
H361 - Suspected of damaging fertility or the unborn child

**Precautionary Statements**

P403 + P233 - Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed  
P501 - Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant

**Other information**

## Section 3 - Composition and Information on Ingredients

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

## Section 4 - First Aid Measures

<b>Inhalation</b>	Remove to fresh air. Get medical attention immediately if symptoms occur.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention immediately if symptoms occur.
<b>Eye Contact</b>	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.
<b>General Advice</b>	If symptoms persist, call a physician.
<b>Self-Protection of the First Aider</b>	No special precautions required.
<b>First Aid Facilities</b>	Eyewash, safety shower and washroom.
<b>Most important symptoms and effects</b>	None reasonably foreseeable.
<b>Notes to Physician</b>	Treat symptomatically.

## Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures

**Suitable Extinguishing Media**  
No information available.

**Extinguishing media which must not be used for safety reasons**

No information available.

**Hazardous Combustion Products**

Chromium oxide.

**Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical**

Dust can form an explosive mixture with 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. Fine dust dispersed in air may ignite.

**Special protective equipment and precautions for fire fighters**

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

## Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures

**Emergency procedures**

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

**Environmental Precautions**

Should not be released into the environment. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system. Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system.

**Methods for Containment and Clean Up**

Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Avoid dust formation.

**Reference to Other Sections**

Refer to protective measures listed in Sections 8 and 13.

## Section 7 - Handling and Storage

**Precautions for Safe Handling**

Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid ingestion and inhalation. Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Avoid dust formation.

**Conditions for Safe Storage, Including any Incompatibilities**

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

AS/NZS 2243.10:2004, Safety in laboratories - Storage of chemicals

## Section 8 - Exposure Controls and Personal Protection

**Exposure limits**

NZ - Workplace Exposure Standards and Biological Exposure Indices (6th edition). New Zealand Department of Labor

Component	New Zealand WEL
Chromium	TWA: 0.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

**Biological limit values**

This product, as supplied, does not contain any hazardous materials with biological limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies

**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 safety glasses with side shields (or goggles) (Australian/New Zealand Standard AS/NZS 1337 - Eye protectors for Industrial applications)

**Hand Protection**

Protective gloves

Glove material	Breakthrough time	Glove thickness	AUS/NZ Standard	Glove comments
Natural rubber, Nitrile rubber, Neoprene, PVC.	See manufacturers recommendations	-	AS/NZS 2161	(minimum requirement)

Inspect gloves before use.

Please observe the instructions regarding permeability and breakthrough time which are provided by the supplier of the gloves. (Refer to manufacturer/supplier for information)

Ensure gloves are suitable for the task: Chemical compatibility, 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.

Remove gloves with care avoiding skin contamination.

**Skin and body protection**

Long sleeved clothing

**Respiratory Protection**

Use an AS/NZS 1716 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 in line with AS/NZS 1715 on the use and maintenance of respiratory protective devices

**Recommended Filter type:**

Particulates filter conforming to EN 143 (or AUS/NZ equivalent)

**Recommended half mask:-**

Particle filtering: EN149:2001 (or AUS/NZ equivalent)

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

**Hygiene Measures**

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

**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.

## Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties

### Information on basic physical and chemical properties

<b>Appearance</b>	Silver	
<b>Physical State</b>	Solid	
<b>Odor</b>	Odorless	
<b>Odor Threshold</b>	No data available	
<b>pH</b>	No information available	
<b>Melting Point/Range</b>	1857 °C / 3374.6 °F	
<b>Softening Point</b>	No data available	
<b>Boiling Point/Range</b>	2642 °C / 4787.6 °F	
<b>Flash Point</b>	No information available	<b>Method -</b> No information available
<b>Evaporation Rate</b>	Not applicable	Solid
<b>Flammability (solid,gas)</b>	No information available	
<b>Explosion Limits</b>	No data available	
<b>Vapor Pressure</b>	No information available	
<b>Vapor Density</b>	Not applicable	Solid
<b>Specific Gravity / Density</b>		
<b>Bulk Density</b>	No data available	
<b>Water Solubility</b>	Insoluble	
<b>Solubility in other solvents</b>	No information available	
<b>Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)</b>		
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	No data available	
<b>Decomposition Temperature</b>	No data available	
<b>Viscosity</b>	Not applicable	Solid
<b>Explosive Properties</b>	No information available	
<b>Oxidizing Properties</b>	No information available	

**Other information****Molecular Formula**

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**Molecular Weight**

52.00

## **Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity**

<b>Reactivity</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.
<b>Hazardous Polymerization</b>	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.

## **Section 11 - Toxicological Information**

**Information on Toxicological Effects**

<b>Product Information</b>	No acute toxicity information is available for this product
<b>(a) acute toxicity;</b>	
<b>Oral</b>	No data available
<b>Dermal</b>	No data available
<b>Inhalation</b>	No data available
<b>(b) skin corrosion/irritation;</b>	No data available
<b>(c) serious eye damage/irritation;</b>	No data available
<b>(d) respiratory or skin sensitization;</b>	
<b>Respiratory</b>	No data available
<b>Skin</b>	No data available
<b>(e) germ cell mutagenicity;</b>	No data available
<b>(f) carcinogenicity;</b>	No data available There are no known carcinogenic chemicals in this product
<b>(g) reproductive toxicity;</b>	No data available
<b>(h) STOT-single exposure;</b>	No data available
<b>(i) STOT-repeated exposure;</b>	No data available
<b>Target Organs</b>	No information available.
<b>(j) aspiration hazard;</b>	Not applicable Solid

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

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

## Section 12 - Ecological Information

**Ecotoxicity effects** Contains no substances known to be hazardous to the environment or that are not degradable in waste water treatment plants.

**Persistence and Degradability** Product contains heavy metals. Discharge into the environment must be avoided. Special pre-treatment is necessary

**Persistence** Insoluble in water, May persist.

**Degradability** Not relevant for inorganic substances.

**Bioaccumulative Potential** No information available

Component	log Pow	Bioconcentration factor (BCF)
Chromium		1.03 - 1.22

**Mobility** Spillage unlikely to penetrate soil. Is not likely mobile in the environment due its low water solubility.

**Endocrine Disruptor Information** This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors

**Persistent Organic Pollutant** This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

**Ozone Depletion Potential** This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

## Section 13 - Disposal Considerations

**Waste from Residues/Unused Products** Do not allow into drains or watercourses or dispose of where ground or surface waters may be affected. Wastes, including emptied containers, are controlled wastes and should be disposed of in accordance with all federal, E.P.A., state and local regulations. Assure conformity with all applicable regulations.

**Contaminated Packaging** Dispose of this container to hazardous or special waste collection point. Empty containers retain product residue, (liquid and/or vapor), and can be dangerous. Keep product and empty container away from heat and sources of ignition.

**Other Information** Disposal agencies or waste contractors must comply with the New Zealand Hazardous Substances (Disposal) Regulations . Do not flush to sewer. Waste codes should be assigned by the user based on the application for which the product was used. Do not empty into drains. Do not let this chemical enter the environment.

## Section 14 - Transport Information

**IMDG/IMO** Not regulated

**NZS 5433:2020** Not regulated

**IATA** Not regulated

<b>Environmental hazards</b>	No hazards identified
<b>Special Precautions</b>	No special precautions required
<b>Additional information</b>	None known

## Section 15 - Regulatory Information

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

Component	HSNO Approval Number
Chromium	HSR002943

**International Inventories** X = listed

Component	NZIoC	AICS	EINECS	ELINCS	TSCA	DSL	NDSL	PICCS	ENCS	ISHL	IECSC	KECL
Chromium	X	X	231-157-5	-	X	X	-	X	X		X	KE-05970

**Prohibition or notification/licensing requirements** Shown below are details of specific prohibition/notifications or licencing requirements when they apply.

## Section 16 - Other Information

This safety data sheet complies with the requirements of WorkSafe New Zealand Regulations

### Legend

**AICS** - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances  
**TSCA** - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory  
**DSL/NDSL** - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List  
**IECSC** - Chinese Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances  
**PICCS** - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances  
**TWA** - Time Weighted Average  
**IARC** - International Agency for Research on Cancer  
**ICAO/IATA** - International Civil Aviation Organization/International Air Transport Association  
**MARPOL** - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships  
**NZS 5433:2012** - Transport of Dangerous Goods on Land  
**LD50** - Lethal Dose 50%  
**EC50** - Effective Concentration 50%  
**WEL** - Workplace Exposure Limit  
**DNEL** - Derived No Effect Level  
**POW** - Partition coefficient Octanol:Water  
**vPvB** - very Persistent, very Bioaccumulative  
**VOC** - (Volatile Organic Compound)

**NZIoC** - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals  
**EINECS/ELINCS** - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances/EU List of Notified Chemical Substances  
**ENCS** - Japanese Existing and New Chemical Substances  
**KECL** - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances  
**CAS** - Chemical Abstracts Service  
**ACGIH** - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists  
**PNEC** - Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)  
**IMO/IMDG** - International Maritime Organization/International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code  
**ADG** Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail  
**OECD** - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development  
**LC50** - Lethal Concentration 50%  
**ATE** - Acute Toxicity Estimate  
**RPE** - Respiratory Protective Equipment  
**NOEC** - No Observed Effect Concentration  
**BCF** - Bioconcentration factor  
**PBT** - Persistent, Bioaccumulative, Toxic

### Key literature references and sources for data

<https://echa.europa.eu/information-on-chemicals>  
 Suppliers safety data sheet, Chemadvisor - LOLI, Merck index, RTECS

### Training Advice

Chemical incident response training.

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