

Classified as hazardous in accordance with the criteria of EPA New Zealand

## Section 1 - Identification

### Product Identifier

**Product Name** Chromium metal powder

**Molecular Formula** Cr  
**Molecular Weight** 52

**Recommended Use** Laboratory chemicals.  
**Uses advised against** No Information available

<b>Product Code</b>	<b>AJA2811</b>
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## Section 2 - Hazard(s) Identification

### Classification under Work Safe New Zealand

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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

**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****Storage**

P403 - Store in a well-ventilated place

**Disposal**

P501 - Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant

**Other hazards which do not result in classification**

This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors

## Section 3 - Composition and Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS No	Weight %
Chromium	7440-47-3	100

## Section 4 - First Aid Measures

**Description of first aid measures**

<b>New Zealand Emergency Tel.</b>	CHEMTREC® 09 980 6780 or +64 9 980 6780
<b>Inhalation</b>	Remove to fresh air. Get medical attention immediately if symptoms occur. If not breathing, give artificial respiration.
<b>Eye Contact</b>	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention immediately if symptoms occur.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Do NOT induce vomiting. Get medical attention.
<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>	No information available.
<b>Notes to Physician</b>	Treat symptomatically.

## Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures

**Suitable Extinguishing Media**

Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.

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

No information available.

**Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical**

Do not allow run-off from fire-fighting to enter drains or water courses.

**Hazardous Combustion Products**

None under normal use conditions.

**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**

**Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment and Emergency Procedures****Emergency procedures**

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

**Environmental Precautions**

Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system. Prevent product from entering drains. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained.

**Methods for Containment and Clean Up**

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

**Precautions to prevent secondary hazards**

Clean contaminated objects and areas thoroughly observing environmental regulations

**Reference to Other Sections**

Refer to protective measures listed in Sections 8 and 13.

## **Section 7 - Handling and Storage**

**Precautions for Safe Handling****Advice on safe handling**

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

**Hygiene Measures**

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Keep away from food, drink and animal feeding stuffs. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Remove and wash contaminated clothing and gloves, including the inside, before re-use. Wash hands before breaks and after work.

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

Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place.

**Incompatible Materials**

Strong oxidizing agents.

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

## **Section 8 - Exposure Controls and Personal Protection**

**Control parameters****Exposure limits**

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

**UK** - EH40/2005 Work Exposure Limits, Fourth edition. Published 2020.

**AUS** - Exposure Standards for Atmospheric Contaminants in the Occupational Environment - Guidance Note on the Interpretation of Exposure Standards for Atmospheric Contaminants in the Occupational Environment [NOHSC:3008(1995)]

Adopted National Exposure Standards for Atmospheric Contaminants in the Occupational Environment [NOHSC:1003(1995)] updated in August, 2005. Safe Work Australia

**ACGIH** - Threshold Limit Values - Ceiling (TLV-C) guidelines by the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH) for controlling worker exposure to airborne chemical concentrations in the workplace.

Component	New Zealand WEL	Australia	ACGIH TLV	The United Kingdom
Chromium	TWA: 0.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA: 0.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA: 0.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	STEL: 1.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 15 min TWA: 0.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 8 hr

**Biological limit values**

**ACGIH** - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH) TLVs® and BEIs®- Threshold Limit Values for Chemical Substances and Physical Agents & Biological Exposure Indices. 2022 Edition

Component	New Zealand	Australia	ACGIH - Biological Exposure Indices	United Kingdom
Chromium			0.7 µg/L Medium: urine Time: end of shift at end of workweek Determinant: Total chromium	

**Appropriate engineering controls****Engineering Measures**

None under normal use conditions.

**Individual protection measures, such as 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**

Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure

**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:**

Particle filter (or AUS/NZ equivalent)

**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

Physical State	Solid	
Appearance	Dark grey	
Odor	Odorless	
Odor Threshold	No data available	
pH	Not applicable	
Melting Point/Range	1065 °C / 1949 °F	
Softening Point	No data available	
Boiling Point/Range	2800 °C / 5072 °F	
Flammability (liquid)	Not applicable	Solid
Flammability (solid,gas)	No information available	
Explosion Limits	No data available	
Flash Point	No information available	Method - No information available
Autoignition Temperature	Not applicable	
Decomposition Temperature	No data available	
Viscosity	Not applicable	Solid
Water Solubility	Insoluble	
Solubility in other solvents	No information available	
Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)		
Vapor Pressure	No data available	
Density / Specific Gravity	7.2	
Bulk Density	No data available	
Vapor Density	Not applicable	Solid
Particle characteristics	No data available	
<b>Other information</b>		
Molecular Formula	Cr	
Molecular Weight	52	
Evaporation Rate	Not applicable - Solid	

## Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

Reactivity	None known, based on information available
Stability	Stable under normal conditions.
Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact	No information available
Sensitivity to Static Discharge	No information available
Hazardous Polymerization	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
Hazardous Reactions	None under normal processing.
Conditions to Avoid	Incompatible products, Excess heat, Avoid dust formation.
Incompatible Materials	Strong oxidizing agents.
Hazardous Decomposition Products	None under normal use conditions.

## Section 11 - Toxicological Information

**Acute Effects****Information on likely routes of exposure**

<b>Product Information</b>	No acute toxicity information is available for this product
<b>Inhalation</b>	May cause irritation of respiratory tract.
<b>Eyes</b>	May cause irritation.
<b>Skin</b>	May cause irritation.
<b>Ingestion</b>	May cause irritation.

**Numerical measures of toxicity**

<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**

**Aquatic ecotoxicity** Very toxic to aquatic organisms. The product contains following substances which are

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hazardous for the environment.

Terrestrial ecotoxicity There is no data for this product

**Persistence and Degradability**

Persistence Insoluble in water.

Degradability Not relevant for inorganic substances.  
Degradation in sewage treatment plant Contains substances known to be hazardous to the environment or not degradable in waste water treatment plants.

Bioaccumulative Potential May have some potential to bioaccumulate

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.

**Other adverse effects**

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 treatment methods**

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.

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

NZS 5433:2020 Not regulatedIATA Not regulatedIMDG/IMO Not regulated

Environmental hazards No hazards identified

**Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code**

Not applicable, packaged goods

**Special Precautions**

No special precautions required. Please refer to the applicable dangerous goods regulations for additional information.

**Additional information**

None known

## Section 15 - Regulatory Information

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

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### National Regulations

There are no applicable tolerable exposure limits or environmental exposure limits according to the EPA Controls for Hazardous Substances

### Certified handlers, tracking and controlled substance license requirements

Certified handlers are required for some substances. This includes substances requiring a controlled substance license, and most explosives, vertebrates toxic agents, and certain fumigants. Acutely toxic substances which are a Category 1 or 2, such as pesticides also require Certified handlers. Please check the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 for further information. Tracking is required for some highly hazardous substances. These substances need to be under the control of an appropriately trained person or appropriately secured. Please check the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 for further information.

### Prohibition or notification/licensing requirements

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

### International Regulations

**Ozone Depletion Potential**

This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

**Persistent Organic Pollutant**

This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

**Rotterdam Convention (PIC)**

Not applicable

**Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH**

Component	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XIV - Substances Subject to Authorization	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XVII - Restrictions on Certain Dangerous Substances	REACH Regulation (EC 1907/2006) article 59 - Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC)
Chromium	-	Use restricted. See item 75. (see link for restriction details)	-

<https://echa.europa.eu/substances-restricted-under-reach>

### International Inventories

New Zealand (NZIoC), Australia (AICS), Europe (EINECS/ELINCS/NLP), Korea (KECL), China (IECSC), Taiwan (TCSI), Japan (ENCS), Japan (ISHL), Canada (DSL/NDSL), Philippines (PICCS). US EPA (TSCA) - Toxic Substances Control Act, (40 CFR Part 710)

Component	CAS No	NZIoC	AICS	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	KECL	IECSC	TCSI
Chromium	7440-47-3	X	X	231-157-5	-	-	KE-05970	X	X

Component	CAS No	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive	DSL	NDSL	PICCS	ISHL	ENCS
Chromium	7440-47-3	X	ACTIVE	X	-	X	-	X



Legend: X - Listed '-' - Not Listed

KECL - NIER number or KE number (<http://ncis.nier.go.kr/en/main.do>)

## Section 16 - Other Information

**This safety data sheet complies with the requirements of the EPA Hazardous Substances (Hazard Classification) Notice 2020 and WorkSafe New Zealand Regulations**

### Legend

**NZIoC** - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals  
**TSCA** - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory

**DSL/NDL** - 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

**NZS 5433:2020** - Transport of Dangerous Goods on Land

**ICAO/IATA** - International Civil Aviation Organization/International Air Transport Association

**MARPOL** - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships

**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)

**AICS** - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances

**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

**OECD** - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development

**IMO/IMDG** - International Maritime Organization/International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code

**ADG** - Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail

**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**

HSNO classifications provided in the New Zealand Chemical Classification Information Database (CCID).

<https://echa.europa.eu/information-on-chemicals>

Suppliers safety data sheet, Chemadvisor - LOLI, Merck index, RTECS

EPA Guide to classifying hazardous substances in New Zealand

EPA - Assigning a product to an existing HSNO approval guide

### **Training Advice**

Chemical incident response training.

### **Revision Date**

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### **Revision Summary**

Update to GHS format

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