

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

# **Section 1 - Identification**

**Product Identifier** 

**Product Name** Holmium (III) oxide

**CAS No** 12055-62-8

**Synonyms** a rare earth metal oxide; Holmia; Holmium oxide

Molecular Formula Ho<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> **Molecular Weight** 377.85

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

**Product Code** 66259

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# **Section 2 - Hazard(s) Identification**

Classification under Work Safe New Zealand

Not classified as hazardous according to criteria of EPA New Zealand

**GHS Classification** 

Physical hazards

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

**Health hazards** 

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

**Environmental hazards** 

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Label Elements None required

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# **Section 3 - Composition and Information on Ingredients**

Component	CAS No	Weight %
Holmium oxide (Ho2O3)	12055-62-8	<95

# **Section 4 - First Aid Measures**

Description of first aid measures

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**Inhalation** Remove to fresh air. Get medical attention immediately if symptoms occur.

**Eye Contact**Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get

medical attention.

**Skin Contact** Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention

immediately if symptoms occur.

Ingestion Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water. Get medical attention if

symptoms occur.

**Self-Protection of the First Aider** No special precautions required.

**First Aid Facilities** Eyewash, safety shower and washroom.

Most important symptoms and

effects

None reasonably foreseeable.

Notes to Physician 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**

Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

# **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

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# **Emergency procedures**

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

#### **Environmental Precautions**

Should not be released into the environment.

### 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. Store under an inert atmosphere.

# **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**

The product does not contain any hazardous materials with occupational exposure limits established.

# **Biological limit values**

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

# **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)

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**Hand Protection** Protective gloves

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

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 compatability, 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.

Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure Skin and body protection

**Repiratory 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 repiratory protective devices

Particle filter (or AUS/NZ equivalent) **Recommended Filter type:** 

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. **Hygiene Measures** 

No information available. **Environmental exposure controls** 

# **Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties**

# Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Solid **Physical State** 

**Appearance** Yellow-orange Odorless Odor **Odor Threshold** No data available

No information available pН **Melting Point/Range** 2330 °C / 4226 °F **Softening Point** No data available **Boiling Point/Range** No information available

Solid Flammability (liquid) Not applicable

Flammability (solid,gas) No information available

No data available **Explosion Limits** 

**Flash Point** No information available Method - No information available

**Autoignition Temperature** No data available **Decomposition Temperature** No data available

Not applicable Solid Viscosity

Water Solubility Insoluble

Solubility in other solvents No information available

Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)

No data available **Vapor Pressure Density / Specific Gravity** No data available **Bulk Density** No data available **Vapor Density** Not applicable

Solid

Particle characteristics No data available

Other information

Ho<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> **Molecular Formula** 377.85 **Molecular Weight** 

**Evaporation Rate** Not applicable - Solid

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# **Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity**

Reactivity None known, based on information available

**Stability** Stable under recommended storage 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

Product Information No acute toxicity information is available for this product

**Inhalation** May cause irritation of respiratory tract.

EyesMay cause irritation.SkinMay cause irritation.IngestionMay cause irritation.

# Numerical measures of toxicity

(a) acute toxicity;

Oral No data available
Dermal No data available
Inhalation No data available

(b) skin corrosion/irritation; No data available

(c) serious eye damage/irritation; No data available

(d) respiratory or skin sensitization;

**Respiratory Skin**No data available
No data available

(e) germ cell mutagenicity; No data available

(f) carcinogenicity; No data available

There are no known carcinogenic chemicals in this product

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(g) reproductive toxicity; No data available

(h) STOT-single exposure; No data available

(i) STOT-repeated exposure; No data available

Target Organs No information available.

(j) aspiration hazard; 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 Contains no substances known to be hazardous to the environment or that are not

degradable in waste water treatment plants.

**Terrestrial ecotoxicity**There is no data for this product

Persistence and Degradability

Persistence Insoluble in water.

**Degradability** Not relevant for inorganic substances.

Bioaccumulative Potential May have some potential to bioaccumulate

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

solubility.

Other adverse effects

Endocrine Disruptor Information Persistent Organic Pollutant Ozone Depletion Potential This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors

This product does not contain any known or suspected substance 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 Empty remaining contents. Dispose of in accordance with local regulations. Do not re-use

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empty containers.

Other Information Disposal agencies or waste contractors must comply with the New Zealand Hazardous

Substances (Disposal) Regulations .

# **Section 14 - Transport Information**

Not regulated NZS 5433:2020

IATA Not regulated

Not regulated IMDG/IMO

**Environmental hazards** No hazards identified

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

Not applicable, packaged goods

No special precautions required. Please refer to the applicable dangerous goods **Special Precautions** 

regulations for additional information.

Additional information None known

# **Section 15 - Regulatory Information**

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

### **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

Not applicable

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### **International Inventories**

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

Component	CAS No	NZIoC	AICS	EINECS	<b>ELINCS</b>	NLP	KECL	IECSC	TCSI
Holmium oxide (Ho2O3)	12055-62-8	Х	Χ	235-015-3	-	-	KE-19961	X	Χ

Component	CAS No	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive	DSL	NDSL	PICCS	ISHL	ENCS
Holmium oxide (Ho2O3)	12055-62-8	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/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 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 Shins

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 hazard awareness training, incorporating labelling, Safety Data Sheets (SDS), Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and hygiene.

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