

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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## 1. Identification

**Product Name** Tungsten carbide, 99.5% (metals basis)

**Cat No. :** S55027

**CAS-No** 12070-12-1  
**Synonyms** Tungsten Monocarbide.

**Recommended Use** Laboratory chemicals.  
**Uses advised against** Food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use.

### Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

#### Company

##### **Importer/Distributor**

Fisher Scientific  
112 Colonnade Road,  
Ottawa, ON K2E 7L6,  
Canada  
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#### **Emergency Telephone Number**

For information **US** call: 001-800-227-6701 / **Europe** call: +32 14 57 52 11

Emergency Number **US**:001-201-796-7100 / **Europe**: +32 14 57 52 99

**CHEMTREC** Tel. No. **US**:001-800-424-9300 / **Europe**:001-703-527-3887

## 2. Hazard(s) identification

### Classification

**WHMIS 2015 Classification** Not classified under the Hazardous Products Regulations (SOR/2015-17)

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

### Label Elements

None required

### **Hazard Statements**

### **Precautionary Statements**

## 3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
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Tungsten carbide	12070-12-1	99
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#### 4. First-aid measures

<b>General Advice</b>	Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Eye Contact</b>	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. In the case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Do not use mouth-to-mouth method if victim ingested or inhaled the substance; give artificial respiration with the aid of a pocket mask equipped with a one-way valve or other proper respiratory medical device. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Do NOT induce vomiting. Call a physician or poison control center immediately.
<b>Most important symptoms/effects Notes to Physician</b>	None reasonably foreseeable. Treat symptomatically

#### 5. Fire-fighting measures

<b>Suitable Extinguishing Media</b>	Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.
<b>Unsuitable Extinguishing Media</b>	No information available
<b>Flash Point</b>	No information available
<b>Method -</b>	No information available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	No information available
<b>Explosion Limits</b>	
<b>Upper</b>	No data available
<b>Lower</b>	No data available
<b>Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact</b>	No information available
<b>Sensitivity to Static Discharge</b>	No information available

#### Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Keep product and empty container away from heat and sources of ignition.

#### Hazardous Combustion Products

Tungsten oxides. Carbon oxides.

#### Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

#### NFPA

**Health**  
3

**Flammability**  
0

**Instability**  
0

**Physical hazards**  
N/A

#### 6. Accidental release measures

<b>Personal Precautions</b>	Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protective equipment as required. Avoid dust formation. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Evacuate personnel to safe areas.
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**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.

## 7. Handling and storage

**Handling**

Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Avoid dust formation. Use only under a chemical fume hood. Do not breathe (dust, vapor, mist, gas). Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Do not ingest. If swallowed then seek immediate medical assistance.

**Storage.**

Keep in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed. Incompatible Materials. Oxidizing agent.

## 8. Exposure controls / personal protection

**Exposure Guidelines**

Component	Alberta	British Columbia	Ontario TWAEV	Quebec	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH
Tungsten carbide	TWA: 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> STEL: 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA: 3 mg/m <sup>3</sup> STEL: 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA: 3 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA: 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> STEL: 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA: 3 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	(Vacated) TWA: 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (Vacated) STEL: 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA: 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> STEL: 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

**Legend**

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration

NIOSH: NIOSH - National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

**Engineering Measures**

Ventilation systems.

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**

Goggles

**Hand Protection**

Protective gloves

Glove material	Breakthrough time	Glove thickness	Glove comments
Natural rubber	See manufacturers recommendations	-	Splash protection only
Nitrile rubber			
Neoprene			
PVC			

Inspect gloves before use. observe the instructions regarding permeability and breakthrough time which are provided by the supplier of the gloves. (Refer to manufacturer/supplier for information) 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. gloves with care avoiding skin contamination.

**Respiratory Protection**

When workers are facing concentrations above the exposure limit they must use appropriate certified respirators. Follow the OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard EN 149. Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149 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 properly

**Recommended Filter type:** Particulates filter conforming to EN 143

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

**Environmental exposure controls**

No information available.

**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.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

<b>Physical State</b>	Powder Solid
<b>Appearance</b>	Grey
<b>Odor</b>	No information available
<b>Odor Threshold</b>	No information available
<b>pH</b>	Not applicable
<b>Melting Point/Range</b>	No data available
<b>Boiling Point/Range</b>	No information available
<b>Flash Point</b>	No information available
<b>Evaporation Rate</b>	Not applicable
<b>Flammability (solid,gas)</b>	No information available
<b>Flammability or explosive limits</b>	
Upper	No data available
Lower	No data available
<b>Vapor Pressure</b>	No information available
<b>Vapor Density</b>	Not applicable
<b>Specific Gravity</b>	No information available
<b>Solubility</b>	No information available
<b>Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water</b>	No data available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	No information available
<b>Decomposition Temperature</b>	No information available
<b>Viscosity</b>	Not applicable
<b>Molecular Formula</b>	C W
<b>Molecular Weight</b>	195.86

## 10. Stability and reactivity

<b>Reactive Hazard</b>	None known, based on information available
<b>Stability</b>	Stable under normal conditions.
<b>Conditions to Avoid</b>	Incompatible products.
<b>Incompatible Materials</b>	Oxidizing agent
<b>Hazardous Decomposition Products</b>	Tungsten oxides, Carbon oxides
<b>Hazardous Polymerization</b>	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
<b>Hazardous Reactions</b>	None under normal processing.

## 11. Toxicological information

**Acute Toxicity****Product Information****Component Information**

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Tungsten carbide	Not listed	LD50 > 2000 mg/kg ( Rat )	LC50 > 5.3 mg/L ( Rat ) 4 h

<b>Toxicologically Synergistic Products</b>	No information available
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**Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure**

**Irritation** No information available

**Sensitization** No information available

**Carcinogenicity** The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen.

Component	CAS-No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Tungsten carbide	12070-12-1	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

**Mutagenic Effects** No information available

**Reproductive Effects** No information available.

**Developmental Effects** No information available.

**Teratogenicity** No information available.

**STOT - single exposure** None known

**STOT - repeated exposure** None known

**Aspiration hazard** No information available

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

**Endocrine Disruptor Information** No information available

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

## 12. Ecological information

### Ecotoxicity

May cause long-term adverse effects in the environment. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system.

**Persistence and Degradability** May persist

**Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation** No information available.

**Mobility** No information available.

## 13. Disposal considerations

**Waste Disposal Methods** Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. Chemical waste generators must also consult local, regional, and national hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

## 14. Transport information

**DOT** Not regulated

**TDG** Not regulated

**IATA** Not regulated

**IMDG/IMO** Not regulated

## 15. Regulatory information

**All of the components in the product are on the following Inventory lists:** China X = listed Australia U.S.A. (TSCA) Canada (DSL/NDSL) Europe (EINECS/ELINCS/NLP) Australia (AICS) Korea (KECL) China (IECSC) Japan (ENCS) Philippines (PICCS) Taiwan (TCSI) Japan (ISHL) New Zealand (NZIoC) Japan (ISHL)

### International Inventories

Component	CAS-No	DSL	NDSL	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP
Tungsten carbide	12070-12-1	X	-	X	ACTIVE	235-123-0	-	-

Component	CAS-No	IECSC	KECL	ENCS	ISHL	TCSI	AICS	NZIoC	PICCS
Tungsten carbide	12070-12-1	X	KE-35003	X	X	X	X	X	X

**Legend:**

X - Listed '-' - Not Listed

**KECL** - NIER number or KE number (<http://ncis.nier.go.kr/en/main.do>)**DSL/NDSL** - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List**TSCA** - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory**EINECS/ELINCS** - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances/EU List of Notified Chemical Substances**IECSC** - Chinese Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances**KECL** - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances**ENCS** - Japanese Existing and New Chemical Substances**AICS** - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances**PICCS** - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances**Canada**

SDS in compliance with provisions of information as set out in Canadian Standard - Part 4, Schedule 1 and 2 of the Hazardous Products Regulations (HPR) and meets the requirements of the HPR (Paragraph 13(1)(a) of the Hazardous Products Act (HPA)).

**Other International Regulations****Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH**

Not applicable

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

Component	CAS-No	OECD HPV	Persistent Organic Pollutant	Ozone Depletion Potential	Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS)
Tungsten carbide	12070-12-1	Listed	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

Component	CAS-No	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Major Accident Notification	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Safety Report Requirements	Rotterdam Convention (PIC)	Basel Convention (Hazardous Waste)
Tungsten carbide	12070-12-1	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

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**Revision Summary**

New emergency telephone response service provider.

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