

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

## Section 1 - Identification

### Product Identifier

<b>Product Name</b>	<u>Tantalum powder</u>
<b>CAS No</b>	7440-25-7
<b>Molecular Formula</b>	Ta
<b>Molecular Weight</b>	180.95
<b>Recommended Use</b>	Laboratory chemicals.
<b>Uses advised against</b>	No Information available

<b>Product Code</b>	<b>00337</b>
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<b>Emergency Tel.</b>	<b>CHEMTREC®</b> <b>09 980 6780 or +64 9 980 6780</b>
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<b>E-mail address</b>	<u>ANZinfo@thermofisher.com</u>

## Section 2 - Hazard(s) Identification

### Classification under Work Safe New Zealand

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### GHS Classification

#### Physical hazards

Flammable solids

Category 2

#### Health hazards

Skin Corrosion/Irritation  
 Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation  
 Specific target organ toxicity - (single exposure)

Category 2  
 Category 2  
 Category 3

#### Environmental hazards

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

### Label Elements

**Signal Word****Warning****Hazard Statements**

H228 - Flammable solid  
H315 - Causes skin irritation  
H319 - Causes serious eye irritation  
H335 - May cause respiratory irritation

**Precautionary Statements****Prevention**

P210 - Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking  
P240 - Ground and bond container and receiving equipment  
P261 - Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray  
P264 - Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling  
P271 - Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area  
P280 - Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection

**Response**

P302 + P352 - IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water  
P304 + P340 - IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing  
P305 + P351 + P338 - IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing  
P312 - Call a POISON CENTER or doctor if you feel unwell  
P370 + P378 - In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam to extinguish  
P362 + P364 - Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse

**Storage**

P403 + P233 - Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed

**Disposal**

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

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

## Section 3 - Composition and Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS No	Weight %
Tantalum powder	7440-25-7	<= 100

## Section 4 - First Aid Measures

**Description of first aid measures****General Advice**

If symptoms persist, call a physician.

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**Inhalation**

Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.

**Eye Contact**

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. If skin irritation persists, call a physician.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
<b>Self-Protection of the First Aider</b>	Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, take precautions to protect themselves and prevent spread of contamination.
<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

approved class D extinguishers. Do not use water or foam.

### 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

Tantalum oxide.

### 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

Should not be released into the environment.

#### Methods for Containment and Clean Up

Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

#### 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. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on 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 container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.

**Incompatible Materials**

Acids. 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

Component	New Zealand WEL	Australia	ACGIH TLV	The United Kingdom
Tantalum powder	TWA: 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA: 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>		STEL: 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 15 min TWA: 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 8 hr

**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**

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

**Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment****Eye Protection**

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
Disposable gloves.	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.

<b>Skin and body protection</b>	Long sleeved clothing
<b>Respiratory Protection</b>	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 (or AUS/NZ equivalent) When RPE is used a face piece Fit Test should be conducted
<b>Hygiene Measures</b>	Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.
<b>Environmental exposure controls</b>	No information available.

## Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties

### Information on basic physical and chemical properties

<b>Physical State</b>	Powder Solid	
<b>Appearance</b>	Dark Gray/Black	
<b>Odor</b>	Odorless	
<b>Odor Threshold</b>	No data available	
<b>pH</b>	Not applicable	
<b>Melting Point/Range</b>	2996 °C / 5424.8 °F	
<b>Softening Point</b>	No data available	
<b>Boiling Point/Range</b>	5429 °C / 9804.2 °F	
<b>Flammability (liquid)</b>	Not applicable	Solid
<b>Flammability (solid,gas)</b>	No information available	
<b>Explosion Limits</b>	No data available	
<b>Flash Point</b>	Not applicable	<b>Method -</b> No information available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	Not applicable	
<b>Decomposition Temperature</b>	No data available	
<b>Viscosity</b>	Not applicable	Solid
<b>Water Solubility</b>	Insoluble	
<b>Solubility in other solvents</b>	No information available	
<b>Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)</b>		
<b>Vapor Pressure</b>	No data available	
<b>Density / Specific Gravity</b>	16.69 g/cm3	
<b>Bulk Density</b>	No data available	
<b>Vapor Density</b>	Not applicable	Solid
<b>Particle characteristics</b>	No data available	

### Other information

<b>Molecular Formula</b>	Ta
<b>Molecular Weight</b>	180.95
<b>Flammable solids</b>	Burning rate or burning time = > 5 minutes and <= 10 minutes
<b>Evaporation Rate</b>	Not applicable - Solid

## Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

<b>Reactivity</b>	None known, based on information available
<b>Stability</b>	Stable under normal conditions.
<b>Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact</b>	No information available
<b>Sensitivity to Static Discharge</b>	No information available
<b>Hazardous Polymerization</b>	No information available.

**Hazardous Reactions** None under normal processing.

**Conditions to Avoid** Heat, flames and sparks.

**Incompatible Materials** Acids, Strong oxidizing agents.

**Hazardous Decomposition Products** Tantalum oxide.

## Section 11 - Toxicological Information

### Acute Effects

### Information on likely routes of exposure

#### Product Information

Inhalation	Not an expected route of exposure.
Eyes	Not an expected route of exposure.
Skin	No known effect based on information supplied.
Ingestion	Not an expected route of exposure.

### Numerical measures of toxicity

#### (a) acute toxicity;

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

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Tantalum powder			LC50 > 5.18 mg/L ( Rat ) 4 h

(b) skin corrosion/irritation; Category 2

(c) serious eye damage/irritation; Category 2

#### (d) respiratory or skin sensitization;

Respiratory	No data available
Skin	No data available

(e) germ cell mutagenicity; No data available

(f) carcinogenicity; No data available

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

(g) reproductive toxicity; No data available

(h) STOT-single exposure; Category 3

Results / Target organs	Respiratory system
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(i) STOT-repeated exposure; No data available

Target Organs	No information available.
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(j) aspiration hazard; Not applicable  
Solid

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

## Section 12 - Ecological Information

### Ecotoxicity

Aquatic ecotoxicity

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Terrestrial ecotoxicity

There is no data for this product

### Persistence and Degradability

Persistence

Insoluble in water.

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

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. Waste codes should be assigned by the user based on the application for which the product was used. Do not flush to sewer. Can be landfilled or incinerated, when in compliance with local regulations.

## Section 14 - Transport Information

NZS 5433:2020

UN-No	UN3089
Proper Shipping Name	Metal powder, flammable, n.o.s.
Technical Shipping Name	Tantalum powder
Hazard Class	4.1
Packing Group	II

**IATA**

UN-No	UN3089
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Hazard Class	4.1
Packing Group	II

**IMDG/IMO**

UN-No	UN3089
Proper Shipping Name	Metal powder, flammable, n.o.s.
Technical Shipping Name	Tantalum powder
Hazard Class	4.1
Packing Group	II

Environmental hazards	No hazards identified
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Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code	Not applicable, packaged goods
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Special Precautions	No special precautions required. Please refer to the applicable dangerous goods regulations for additional information.
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Additional information	None known
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## **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
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Persistent Organic Pollutant	This product does not contain any known or suspected substance
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Rotterdam Convention (PIC)	Not applicable
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**Authorisation/Restrictions  
according to EU REACH**

Not applicable

**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
Tantalum powder	7440-25-7	X	X	-	-	-	KE-33006	X	X

Component	CAS No	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive	DSL	NDSL	PICCS	ISHL	ENCS
Tantalum powder	7440-25-7	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 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**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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**Revision Summary**

Not applicable

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