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Product Name **IRON (Filings, Powder, Wire)**

Not classified as hazardous

1. Identification

GHS Product Identifier IRON (Filings, Powder, Wire)

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Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use Powder metallurgy products, magnets, high-frequency cores, auto parts, catalyst in ammonia synthesis and medicine.

Other Names	<u>Name</u>	<u>Product Code</u>
	IRON Powder	IT013
	IRON FILINGS Fine	IT014
	IRON Wire	IT015

Other Information

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2. Hazard Identification

GHS classification of the substance/mixture Not classified as hazardous according to the Approved Criteria for Classifying Hazardous Substances [NOHSC:1008(2004)] 3rd Edition, Safe Work Australia.
Not classified as dangerous goods according to the Australian Dangerous Goods Code (ADG).

3. Composition/information on ingredients

Ingredients	<u>Name</u>	<u>CAS</u>	<u>Proportion</u>
	Iron	7439-89-6	100 %

4. First-aid measures

Inhalation If inhaled, remove from contaminated area to fresh air immediately. Apply artificial respiration if not breathing. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical aid if cough or other symptoms appear.

Ingestion Rinse mouth thoroughly with water immediately, repeat until all traces of product have been removed. DO NOT INDUCE VOMITING. Seek medical advice if effects persist.

Skin Wash affected area thoroughly with soap and water. Remove contaminated clothing and wash before reuse or discard. If symptoms develop seek medical attention.

Eye contact Immediately irrigate with copious quantity of water for at least 15 minutes. Eyelids to be held open. If rapid recovery does not occur, obtain medical attention

First Aid Facilities Maintain eyewash fountain and safety shower in work area.

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Advice to Doctor Treat symptomatically based on judgement of doctor and individual reactions of the patient.

Other Information For advice, contact a Poisons Information Centre (Phone eg Australia 13 1126; New Zealand 0800 764 766) or a doctor.

5. Fire-fighting measures

Hazards from Combustion Products Oxides of iron.

Specific Methods Material does not burn. This product in sufficient quantity and reduced particle size is capable of creating a dust explosion.
Small fire: Use dry sand, powdered graphite, powdered salt, or powdered limestone. DO NOT use water, carbon dioxide, or dry chemical.
Large fire: Use water spray, fog or foam.
If safe to do so, move undamaged containers from fire area. Cool containers with flooding quantities of water until well after fire is out.

Precautions in connection with Fire Wear SCBA and chemical splash suit. Structural firefighter's uniform may provide limited protection.

Other Information The materials themselves are non-flammable but the fine metallic dust produced as a result of their breakdown or removed from metallic components during cleaning or surface treatments can present both fire and explosion hazards.

6. Accidental release measures

Spills & Disposal ELIMINATE all ignition sources (no smoking, flares, sparks or flames) within at least 25m. Do not touch or walk through spilled material. Do not touch damaged containers or spilled material unless wearing appropriate protective clothing. Stop leak if safe to do so - Prevent entry into waterways, drains or confined areas.

Personal Precautions Avoid substance contact. Avoid generation of dusts: do not inhale dusts. Ensure supply of fresh air in enclosed rooms.

Personal Protection Wear protective clothing specified for normal operations (see Section 8)

Clean-up Methods - Small Spillages Sweep up (avoid generating dust) and using clean non-sparking tools transfer to a clean, suitable, clearly labelled container for disposal in accordance with local regulations.

Environmental Precautions When iron ions flocculate in an alkaline medium, mechanical damage occurs in aquatic organisms. Due to the poor solubility of the product, no harmful effects on aquatic organisms are to be expected when handled and used with due care and attention.

7. Handling and storage

Precautions for Safe Handling Do not breathe dust. Do not get in eyes, on skin, on clothing. Avoid prolonged or repeated exposure. Take precautionary measures against static discharges. Use in well ventilated areas away from all ignition sources.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities Store away from oxidizing agents. Keep container tightly closed and dry, away from direct sunlight. Store away from acids and halogenated materials. Store at room temperature (15 - 25 °C).

Corrosiveness Corrosive in water.

Unsuitable Materials Polystyrene.

8. Exposure controls/personal protection

Other Exposure Information No exposure standards have been established for this product by Safe Work Australia, however, the TWA exposure standard for dusts/mists not otherwise specified is 10 mg/m³. All atmospheric contamination should be kept to as low a level as is workable. The exposure value at the TWA is the average airborne concentration of a particular substance when calculated over a normal 8 hour working day for a 5 day working week.

Appropriate engineering controls Maintain the concentrations values below the TWA. This may be achieved by process modification, use of local exhaust ventilation, capturing substances at the source, or other methods.

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Respiratory Protection	Usually is not required. Where protection is required from nuisance levels of dust or mists select respiratory protection that complies with AS 1716 - Respiratory Protective Devices and select in accordance with AS 1715 - Selection, Use and Maintenance of Respiratory Protective Devices. Filter capacity and respirator type depends on exposure levels.
Eye Protection	The use of a face shield, chemical goggles or safety glasses with side shield protection as appropriate. Must comply with Australian Standards AS 1337 and be selected and used in accordance with AS 1336.
Hand Protection	Wear gloves of impervious material conforming to AS/NZS 2161: Occupational protective gloves - Selection, use and maintenance. Final choice of appropriate glove type will vary according to individual circumstances. This can include methods of handling, and engineering controls as determined by appropriate risk assessments.
Personal Protective Equipment	Personal protective equipment should not solely be relied upon to control risk and should only be used when all other reasonably practicable control measures do not eliminate or sufficiently minimise risk. Guidance in selecting personal protective equipment can be obtained from Australian, Australian/New Zealand or other approved standards.
Footwear	Safety boots in industrial situations is advisory, foot protection should comply with AS 2210, Occupational protective footwear - Guide to selection, care and use.
Body Protection	Flame retardant antistatic protective clothing. Clean clothing or protective clothing should be worn, preferably with an apron. Clothing for protection against chemicals should comply with AS 3765 Clothing for Protection Against Hazardous Chemicals.
Hygiene Measures	Always wash hands before smoking, eating or using the toilet. Wash contaminated clothing and other protective equipment before storing or re-using.

9. Physical and chemical properties

Form	Solid
Appearance	Grey-black filings, grey powder or black-brown wire.
Odour	Odourless.
Melting Point	1300 - 1500 °C (depending upon composition)
Boiling Point	2730 - 2750 °C
Solubility in Water	Insoluble, can react with water.
Solubility in Organic Solvents	Insoluble.
Specific Gravity	7.86 @ 20 °C
Vapour Pressure	1 mm Hg @ 1787 °C
Volatile Component	0% @ 21 °C
Flammability	Non combustible material. Non flammable.
Auto-Ignition Temperature	100 °C - 700 °C - powder Minimum ignition temperature, iron dust cloud: 430 °C
Explosion Properties	Moderate explosion hazard in the form of a dust when exposed to heat, flame or static discharge.
Molecular Weight	55.85
Particle Size	+212 µm: 0%, +100 µm: 21%, +45 µm: 79%.
Other Information	Tensile strength: 30,000 psi Brinell hardness: 60 Magnetic permeability 88,400 gauss @ 25 °C Dissolves in nonoxidising acids (sulfuric and hydrochloric acid) and in cold dilute nitric acid.

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10. Stability and reactivity

Chemical Stability Stable to ignition temperature of 700C (1291F). Sensitive to moisture. Stable in dry air but readily oxidizes in moist air forming rust. Ultrafine (ca. 5 microns) powder forms are very unstable and can ignite spontaneously in air.

Conditions to Avoid Heat, flame, ignition sources, dusting and incompatibles.

Incompatible Materials Strong oxidizers, water (including humid atmospheres), acids, aldehydes, halogen-halogen compounds, hydrogen peroxide, hydrogen sulfide, nitrogen dioxide, nitril compounds, oils (heat). Solid or powdered iron ignites or explodes on contact with acetaldehyde, ammonium peroxodisulfate, chloroformamidinium, chloric acid, ammonium nitrate, halogens, dinitrogen tetroxide, nitril fluoride, polystyrene, sodium acetylide, potassium dichromate and peroxyformic acid. Hot iron wire burns in chlorine gas. Chlorine trifluoride reacts with iron with incandescence.

Hazardous Decomposition Products Toxic iron oxide fumes.

Hazardous Polymerization Will not occur.

11. Toxicological Information

Toxicology Information No adverse health effects expected if the product is handled in accordance with this Safety Data Sheet and the product label. If mishandled or overexposed to this product the following symptoms or effects may occur.

Ingestion After swallowing, symptoms may include nausea, vomiting and diarrhoea. Extremely large oral dosages may produce gastrointestinal disturbances. An overdose of iron may cause vomiting, abdominal pain, bloody diarrhoea, vomiting blood, lethargy, cardiac dysrhythmia, drop in blood pressure and shock. In severe cases, toxicity may progress and develop into an increase in acidity in the blood, bluish skin discoloration, fever, liver damage and possibly death.

Inhalation Irritation symptoms in the respiratory tract. Symptoms may include coughing and shortness of breath.

Skin No adverse effects expected.

Eye May cause irritation, transient irritation, redness and pain. Eye contact may cause conjunctivitis and deposition of iron particles can leave a 'rust ring' or brownish stain on the cornea.

Respiratory sensitisation Not classified based on available information.

Skin Sensitisation Not classified based on available information.

Germ cell mutagenicity Not classified based on available information.

Carcinogenicity Iron and steel founding is evaluated in the IARC Monographs (Exposure circumstances) (Vol. 34, Suppl. 7; 1987) as Group 1: Carcinogenic to humans. Not classified based on available information.

Reproductive Toxicity Not classified based on available information.

STOT-single exposure Not classified based on available information.

STOT-repeated exposure Not classified based on available information.

Chronic Effects Long-term inhalation exposure to iron has resulted in mottling of the lungs, a condition referred to as siderosis. This is considered a benign pneumoconiosis and does not ordinarily cause significant physiological impairment. Ingestion of greater than 50 to 100 mg of iron per day may result in pathological iron deposition in body tissues. Repeated iron ingestion can produce cardiac toxicity.

Mutagenicity Evidence of mutagenic effects for bacteria/yeast cells.

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12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity Quantitative data on the ecological effect of this product are not available.

Persistence and degradability Methods for the determination of biodegradability are not applicable to inorganic substances.

Other Adverse Effects When iron ions flocculate in an alkaline medium, mechanical damage occurs in aquatic organisms.

Information on Ecological Effects Due to the poor solubility of the product, no harmful effects on aquatic organisms are to be expected when handled and used with due care and attention.

13. Disposal considerations

Disposal Considerations Whatever cannot be saved for recovery or recycling should be disposed of according to relevant local, state and federal government regulations.

14. Transport information

Transport Information Not classified as a Dangerous Good according to the Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail.

15. Regulatory information

Regulatory Information All the constituents of this product are listed on the Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS), or exempted. Not listed under WHS Regulation 2011, Schedule 10 - Prohibited carcinogens, restricted carcinogens and restricted hazardous chemicals.

Poisons Schedule Not Scheduled

16. Other Information

Literature References 'Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons .', Commonwealth of Australia.
National Road Transport Commission, 'Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail 7th. Ed.'.
Safe Work Australia, 'National Code of Practice for the Preparation of Safety Data Sheets for Hazardous Chemicals'.
Standards Australia, 'SAA/SNZ HB 76:2010 Dangerous Goods - Initial Emergency Response Guide', Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand.
Safe Work Australia, 'Hazardous Chemical Information System'.
Safe Work Australia, 'National Code of Practice for the Labelling of Safe Work Hazardous Substances'.
Safe Work Australia, 'National Exposure Standards for Atmospheric Contaminants in the Occupational Environment'.

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