

# MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

COPPER ALLOYS C19010, C19015

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## SECTION # 1 - MATERIAL IDENTIFICATION

**COPPER ALLOYS C19010 (PMC-102), C19015 (PMC-102M)**  
CHEMICAL FAMILY: COPPER ALLOY

## SECTION # 2 - CHEMICAL COMPONENTS

NOTE: This MSDS applies to a range of alloys. For actual compositions refer to material test report or specific alloy specification. All percentages are by weight.

<b>COMPONENT:</b>	COPPER		
<b>CAS NUMBER:</b>	7440-50-8	<b>PERCENT OF MIXTURE:</b>	99.93 (maximum)
<b>EXPOSURE LIMITS:</b>			
<b>DUST, MIST:</b>	ACGIH TLV-TWA	1 mg/M <sup>3</sup>	
	OSHA PEL-TWA	1 mg/M <sup>3</sup>	
<b>FUME:</b>	ACGIH TLV-TWA	0.2 mg/M <sup>3</sup>	
	OSHA PEL-TWA	0.1 mg/M <sup>3</sup>	

<b>COMPONENT:</b>	MAGNESIUM		
<b>CAS NUMBER:</b>	7439-95-4	<b>PERCENT OF MIXTURE:</b>	0.2 (maximum)
<b>EXPOSURE LIMITS:</b>			
<b>MAGNESIUM OXIDE FUME</b>	ACGIH TLV-TWA	10 mg/M <sup>3</sup>	
	OSHA PEL-TWA	15 mg/M <sup>3</sup> —total particulate	

<b>COMPONENT:</b>	NICKEL		
<b>CAS NUMBER:</b>	7440-02-0	<b>PERCENT OF MIXTURE:</b>	3.0 (maximum)
<b>EXPOSURE LIMITS:</b>			
<b>ELEMENTAL/METAL</b>	ACGIH TLV-TWA	1.5 mg/M <sup>3</sup>	
	OSHA PEL-TWA	1 mg/M <sup>3</sup>	

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## SECTION #2 - CHEMICAL COMPONENTS (continued)

COMPONENT: PHOSPHORUS

CAS NUMBER: 7723-14-0

PERCENT OF MIXTURE: 0.16 (maximum)

EXPOSURE LIMITS:

ACGIH TLV-TWA 0.1 mg/M<sup>3</sup>

OSHA PEL-TWA 0.1 mg/M<sup>3</sup>

COMPONENT: SILICON

CAS NUMBER: 7440-21-3

PERCENT OF MIXTURE: 1.0 (maximum)

EXPOSURE LIMITS:

ACGIH TLV-TWA 10 mg/M<sup>3</sup>

OSHA PEL-TWA 5 mg/M<sup>3</sup>—respirable fraction

15 mg/M<sup>3</sup>—total dust

## SECTION #3 - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### EMERGENCY OVERVIEW:

Copper alloy products in the natural state do not present a hazard for emergency response personnel.

### POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS:

Copper alloy products in the natural state do not present an inhalation, ingestion, or contact hazard. However, operations such as burning, welding, sawing, brazing, or grinding may release fumes and/or dusts which may present health hazards if TLVs are exceeded.

#### INHALATION:

- Short-term exposure to fumes/dust may produce irritation of the respiratory system.
- High concentrations of oxide fumes of copper or magnesium may cause metal fume fever.

#### EYE:

- Short-term exposure to fumes/dust may produce irritation.

#### SKIN:

- Repeated or prolonged exposure to copper dusts or mists may cause irritant or allergic contact dermatitis.

#### INGESTION:

- Ingestion of large doses of nickel compounds (1-3 mg/kg) has been shown to cause intestinal disorders, convulsions, and asphyxia.

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## SECTION #3 - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION (continued)

### CHRONIC EFFECTS:

- Repeated or prolonged overexposure to copper fume may cause the skin and hair to change color.
- Hypersensitivity to nickel is common and can cause allergic contact dermatitis, pulmonary asthma, and conjunctivitis.
- Chronic overexposure to phosphorus fumes may cause osteomyelitis of the jaw bones ("phossy" jaw).

### SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS:

- Metal fume fever – metallic taste in mouth, dryness and irritation of the throat, and influenza-like symptoms. The effects may be delayed.
- Nickel overexposure – effects on nasal sinuses, including inflammation and ulceration.

### CARCINOGENICITY:

COMPONENT	ACGIH	IARC	NTP
Copper (fume, dusts & mists)	No	No	No
Magnesium oxide fume	No	No	No
Nickel (elemental/metal)	No	Yes	Yes
Phosphorus (white or yellow)	No	No	No
Silicon	No	No	No

See Toxicological Information (Section #11)

## SECTION # 4 - FIRST AID MEASURES

### INHALATION:

If exposed to excessive levels of metal fumes, remove to fresh air. Seek medical attention.

### EYES:

Flush with water for at least 15 minutes.

### SKIN:

Wash with soap and water.

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## SECTION # 5 - FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

FLASH POINT: Not applicable                      LOWER EXPLOSIVE LIMIT (%): None  
AUTOIGNITION TEMPERATURE: Not applicable                      UPPER EXPLOSIVE LIMIT (%): None

### EXTINGUISHING MEDIA:

Use extinguishing media appropriate to the surrounding material.

### SPECIAL FIREFIGHTING INSTRUCTIONS:

Copper alloy products in the solid state present no fire or explosion hazard, but may react with strong acids, bases, or oxidizing agents.

## SECTION # 6 - ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

### STEPS TO BE TAKEN IN THE EVENT OF SPILLS, LEAKS, OR RELEASES:

Not applicable

## SECTION # 7 - HANDLING AND STORAGE

### HANDLING:

In welding, precautions should also be taken for airborne contaminants that may originate from components of the welding rod.

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## SECTION # 8 - EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION

### VENTILATION:

Local exhaust ventilation should be utilized when welding, burning, sawing, brazing, grinding, or machining when exposure exceeds TLVs.

### EYE PROTECTION:

Safety glasses or goggles should be utilized as required by exposure. Other protective equipment should be utilized as required by welding standards.

### RESPIRATORY PROTECTION:

NIOSH/MSHA – Approved dust and fume respirator should be used to avoid excessive inhalation of particulates when exposure exceeds TLVs.

### OTHER PREVENTIVE MEASURES:

Do not eat, drink, or smoke during work. Wash hands before eating or smoking.

## SECTION # 9 - PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

<b>APPEARANCE:</b>	Salmon-colored, lustrous metal	<b>PHYSICAL STATE:</b>	Solid
<b>ODOR:</b>	None	<b>VAPOR PRESSURE:</b>	Not applicable
<b>PH:</b>	Not applicable	<b>PERCENT VOLATILE:</b>	Not applicable
<b>VAPOR DENSITY (AIR = 1)</b>	Not applicable	<b>SPECIFIC GRAVITY:</b>	8.9
<b>EVAPORATION RATE:</b>	Not applicable	<b>MELTING POINT:</b>	1944 – 1994 °F
<b>SOLUBILITY IN WATER:</b>	Not applicable		

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## SECTION # 10 - STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### CHEMICAL STABILITY:

Stable

### CONDITIONS TO AVOID:

None

### INCOMPATIBILITY WITH OTHER MATERIALS:

Mercury, ammonia, acetylene acids  
Contact with strong acids, bases, or oxidizing agents

### HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS:

Metallic dust or fumes may be produced during welding, burning, grinding, and machining.

### HAZARDOUS POLYMERIZATION:

Will not occur

## SECTION # 11 - TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### LETHAL DOSE OR CONCENTRATION OF PRODUCT OR ITS COMPONENTS:

LD50 = Lethal Dose 50

LDLo = Lowest Published Lethal Dose

TCLo/TDL0 = Lowest Published Toxic Concentration/Dose

**Copper**            TDL0:    120 µg/kg (human, oral—gastrointestinal effects)

**Nickel**            LDLo:    5 g/kg (rat, oral)

**Phosphorus**      LDLo:    22 mg/kg (woman, oral—cardiac effects)  
                         TDL0:    11 mg/kg (woman, oral—gastrointestinal effects)  
                         LD50    3,030 µg/kg (rat, oral)  
                         LD50    4,820 µg/kg (mouse, oral)

## SECTION # 12 - ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Not applicable

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## SECTION # 13 - DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

### WASTE DISPOSAL METHODS:

According to local, state, and federal regulations

## SECTION # 14 - TRANSPORT INFORMATION

Not applicable

## SECTION # 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION

LISTED ON TSCA INVENTORY: YES

**SARA TITLE III SECTION 302 EXTREMELY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES (40 CFR 355):** These alloys are not regulated under Section 302 of SARA and 40 CFR 355.

**SARA TITLE III SECTION 311/312 HAZARDOUS CATEGORIZATION (40 CFR 370):** These alloys are defined as hazardous by OSHA under 29 CFR 1910.1200(d).

**SARA TITLE III SECTION 313 TOXIC CHEMICALS (40 CFR 372):** These alloys may contain the following toxic chemical(s) subject to reporting requirements under this section of SARA and of 40 CFR 372:

CAS NUMBER	CHEMICAL NAME	PERCENT BY WEIGHT OF ALLOY
7440-50-8	Copper	≤ 99.93
7439-02-0	Nickel	≤ 3.0

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## SECTION #15 – REGULATORY INFORMATION (continued)

### OTHER LISTS:

Chemical Name	WHMIS Ingredient Disclosure List	CA Prop 65 Chemical	MA Toxic Substance List	MI Critical Materials Register	NJ Hazardous Substances List	PA Right-to-Know List
Copper	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Magnesium	No	No	Yes	No	No	No
Nickel	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Phosphorus	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Silicon	No	No	Yes	No	No	No

## SECTION # 16 - OTHER INFORMATION

### REFERENCES

ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (1998)

International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) Monographs

National Library of Medicine Databases:

ChemID

Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) (updated August 6, 1998)

Integrated Risk Information (IRIS) (updated August 6, 1998)

Chemical Carcinogenesis Risk Information System (CCRIS) (updated August 6, 1998)

Hazardous Substances Data Bank (HSDB) (updated August 6, 1998)

National Toxicology Program (NTP) Reports

NIOSH Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards (1997)

NIOSH/OSHA Occupational Health Guideline for Copper Fume

NIOSH/OSHA Occupational Health Guideline for Copper Dusts and Mists

NIOSH/OSHA Occupational Health Guideline for Magnesium Oxide Fume

NIOSH/OSHA Occupational Health Guideline for Nickel Metal and Soluble Nickel Compounds

NIOSH/OSHA Occupational Health Guideline for Phosphorus (Yellow)

OSHA General Industry Standards (29 CFR 1910)



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## SECTION #16 – OTHER INFORMATION (continued)

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