# Material safety data sheet



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#### PRODUCT / CONTACT INFORMATION

Product Name:	Aluminum Alloys
Series:	6060, 6063
CAS#:	7429-90-5
Chemical Name:	Aluminum
Chemical Formula:	Al

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#### About Aluminco S.A.

Today, with 33 years of experience, our company has evolved to an integrated vertical aluminium industry focusing on developing, producing and marketing branded aluminium systems for every architectural use.

The extrusion department of Aluminco is the "heart" of the factory. Our unit is fully automated equipped with the latest software and hardware.

The advanced cooling system of our extrusion pres is fully automated, constantly controls the temperature of the extruded profile through air, keeping the appropriate cooling rate for each alloy and temper. The extrusion line is also equipped with automated stacker machine with no human contact eliminating the risk of damaging the extruded profile.

Finally the aging ovens are fully automated with continuous temperature control and real time adjustment, safeguarding the optimum temper results.

ALUMINCO headquarters, are located in Inofita Viotia, Greece, at a 40.000sq.m. owned property.

#### INFORMATION ON ALLOYING ELEMENTS

		COMPOSITION	EXPOSURE CONTROLS	TOXICITY	
CHEMICAL NAME	CAS NUMBER	% BY WEIGHT	TLV ACGIH (mg/m3)	LD <sub>50</sub> ORAL	
ALUMINUM (BASE METAL)	7429-90-5	90-99.7	1.0 (Respirable)	Unknown	
ZINC	7440-66-6	0-8.0	2.0 (As zinc oxide-respirable)	Unknown	
COPPER	7440-50-8	0-6.0	1.0 (Dust) 0.2 (Fume)	Unknown	
NICKEL	7440-02-0	0-2.0	1.5 (Metal) 0.2 (Insoluble) 0.1 (Soluble)	>9,000 mg/kg Oral-Rat	
MAGNESIUM	7439-95-4	0-1.5	10.0 (as Magnesium oxide)	230 mg/kg Oral-Rat	
MANGANESE	7439-96-5	0-1.5	0.2 (as inorganic Mn)	9,000 mg/kg Oral-Rat	
SILICON	7440-21-3	0-1.2	10.0 (Respirable) 3.0 (Respirable)	3,160 mg/kg Oral-Rat	
IRON	7439-89-6	0-1.0	5.0 (Respirable)	30,000 mg/kg Oral-Rat	
BISMUTH	7440-69-9	0-0.7	Not Established	10,000 mg/kg Oral-Rat	
LEAD	7439-92-1	0-0.7	0.05 (Elemental)	Unknown	
BORON	7440-42-8	0.06 max	Not Established	2,000 mg/kg Oral-Mouse	
COBALT	7440-48-4	0-0.6	Not Established	6,171 mg/kg Oral-Rat	
VANADIUM	7440-62-2	0.05 max	0.05 (as Vanadium pentoxide)	130 mg/kg Oral-Rat	
TITANIUM	7440-32-6	0-0.2	10.0 (as Titanium dioxide)	Unknown	

#### PREVENTION IN GENERAL

Aluminum and aluminum alloys are considered an "article" and not hazardous in its solid form. However, certain process such as cutting, milling, grinding, melting and welding could result in some hazardous materials being emitted. Keep in mind the following precautionary statements:

- •Do not breathe dust/fume.
- •Use in a well- ventilated area.
- ·Avoid generating dust.
- •Dusts and fines from processing may be ignitable.
- •Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces.
- •No smoking.
- ·Use personal protective equipment as required.
- ·Wash thoroughly after handling.
- •Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
- •Obtain special instructions before use.
- •Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read  $\ensuremath{\mathbb{Q}}$  understood.
- •Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace.

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#### FIRST AID MEASURES

#### EYE CONTACT:

DUST ACTS AS A FOREIGN BODY. FLUSH EYES WITH PLENTY OF WATER FOR AT LEAST 15 MINUTES.

SEEK MEDICAL ATTENTION IF EYE IRRITATION PERSISTS.

#### SKIN CONTACT:

MAINTAIN GOOD PERSONAL HYGIENE. WASH AFFECTED AREA WITH MILD SOAP AND WATER.

SEEK MEDICAL ATTENTION IF SKIN IRRITATION PERSISTS.

#### INHAI ATION:

REMOVE TO FRESH AIR. CHECK FOR CLEAR AIRWAY, BREATHING AND PRESENCE OF PULSE.

IF NECESSARY ADMINISTER CPR. CONSULT A PHYSICIAN IMMEDIATELY.

#### INGESTION:

RARE IN INDUSTRY. DUST MAY IRRITATE MOUTH AND GASTROINTESTINAL TRACT.

IF INGESTED, SEEK MEDICAL ATTENTION PROMPTLY.

# MOST IMPORTANT SYMPTOMS/EFFECTS, ACUTE AND DELAYED:

Aluminum and aluminum alloys as sold and shipped is not likely to present an acute or chronic health effects.

However, during processing (cutting, milling, grinding, melting or welding) emitted byproducts may cause irritations, difficulty in breathing, coughing or wheezing. May cause allergic skin reactions.

#### INDICATION OF IMMEDIATE MEDICAL ATTENTION AND SPECIAL TREATMENT NEEDED, IF NECESSARY:

Notes to physician: May cause sensitization by skin contact or inhalation. Treat symptomatically.

# FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

#### SUITABLE EXTINGUISHING MEDIA:

Non-flammable. Not applicable for solid product.

Use Class D extinguishing agents or sand on fires involving dusts or

Use extinguishers appropriate for surrounding materials.

Do NOT use water on molten

Do NOT use halogenated extinguishing agents on chips or fines.

# **EXPLOSION DATA:**

Molten metal in contact with water may be explosive.

#### SPECIFIC HAZARDS ARISING FROM MATERIAL:

Dusts from grinding operation may burn if they are ignited.

Dust, powder and fumes are flammable when exposed to flame or by chemical reaction with oxidizing agents.

Aluminum chips, dust and fines in contact with water can generate flammable hydrogen gas.

# SENSITIVITY TO MECHANICAL

NONE

#### HAZARDOUS COMBUSTION PRODUCTS:

At temperatures above the melting point, fumes containing aluminum oxides and smaller amounts of other alloying elements may be liberated.

If heated to very high temperatures, copper and zinc fumes may evolve.

#### SPECIAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT AND PRECAUTIONS FOR FIRE FIGHTERS:

Firefighters should wear self-contained NIOSH-approved breathing apparatus and full protective clothing.

#### SENSITIVITY TO STATIC IMPACT: DISCHARGE:

N/A

# **ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES** \_

#### PERSONAL PRECAUTIONS, PROTECTIVE EQUIP-MENT AND EMERGENCY PROCEDURES:

Not applicable to aluminum in solid state. Avoid dust formation.

Ensure adequate ventilation. Clean-up personnel should be protected against contact with eyes and skin protection.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL** PRECAUTIONS:

Not applicable to aluminum in solid state.

Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system.

#### METHODS AND MATERIALS FOR CONTAINMENT AND CLEANING UP:

Solid metal does not pose any problems. Dust spills should be cleaned up avoiding dust generation. Wash down with water if in contact with acids.

Avoid inhalation of dusts. Collect scrap aluminum for recycling.

# HANDLING AND STORAGE

#### PRECAUTIONS FOR SAFE HANDLING:

Not applicable to aluminum in solid state. Operations with the potential for generating high concentrations of airborne particulates should be evaluated and controlled as necessary. Practice good housekeeping.

Avoid generating dusts. Avoid breathing metal fumes and/or dust. Avoid contact with sharp edges or heated metal.

Hot and cold aluminum are not visually different.

Hot aluminum does not always glow red. Eating, drinking or smoking should not be allowed in areas where this alloy is processed, handled or stored.

#### **CONDITIONS FOR** SAFE STORAGE:

Other than incompatibles, no special storage conditions for aluminum in solid state.

#### **INCOMPATIBLE** PRODUCTS:

Store away from strong acids, alkalis and oxidizers.

Store away from halogenated compounds. Product should

be kept dry to prevent corrosion.

# STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

#### REACTIVITY:

Not determined for product in solid form.

#### CHEMICAL STABILITY:

Yes. Aluminum and its alloys are stable under normal storage and handling conditions.

#### POSSIBILITY OF HAZARDOUS REACTIONS:

Hazardous polymerization cannot occur. Chips, fines, dust and molten aluminum is considerably more reactive than the metal itself.

#### CONDITIONS TO AVOID:

Water: slowly generates flammable hydrogen gas. Acids & alkalis: reacts to generate flammable hydrogen gas and heat.

Oxidizers: violent reaction with considerable heat generation.

Note: generation rate is greatly increased with smaller particles (i.e. fines and dust)..

Avoid dust formation.

Molten metal can react violently with water or moisture.

#### **INCOMPATIBLE MATERIALS:**

Yes, incompatible with strong acids, alkalis and oxidizers. Acetylene.

#### None

Products other than fire or explosion – does not decompose.

HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS:

Toxic metal oxides,  $\text{COx}\ \otimes\ \text{NOx}$  may be produced during a fire involving aluminum and its alloys.

# **DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

#### WASTE DISPOSAL:

Aluminum scrap should be recycled whenever possible.

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION:**

Dispose of in accordance with applicable federal, provincial/state or local regulations.

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