# **Constantan**

## 1 PRODUCT AND SUPPLIER IDENTIFICATION

Product Name: Constantan - foil

**Other**: Copper-Nickel Alloy, Resistance Alloy

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Recommended Uses: Scientific Research

### **2 HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**

GHS Classification (29 CFR 1910.1200): Not classified as hazardous

GHS Label Elements: Signal Word: N/A Hazard Statements: N/A

**Precautionary Statements**: N/A

## 3 COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Ingredient:	CAS#:	<b>%</b> :	EC#:
Copper	7440-50-8	55	231-159-6
Nickel	7440-02-0	45	231-111-4

### **4 FIRST AID MEASURES**

**General Measures**: Under normal handling and use, exposure to solid forms of this material present few health hazards. Subsequent operations such as grinding, melting or welding may produce potentially hazardous dust or fumes which can be inhaled or come in contact with the skin or eyes.

**INHALATION**: Remove to fresh air, keep warm and quiet, give oxygen if breathing is difficult. Seek medical attention.

**INGESTION**: Rinse mouth with water. Do not induce vomiting. Seek medical attention. Never induce vomiting or give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.

**SKIN**: Remove contaminated clothing, brush material off skin, wash affected area with soap and water. Seek medical attention if symptoms persist.

**EYES**: Flush eyes with lukewarm water, including under upper and lower eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Seek medical attention if symptoms persist.

**Most Important Symptoms/Effects, Acute and Delayed**: May cause irritation. See section 11 for more information.

Indication of Immediate Medical Attention and Special Treatment: No other relevant information available.

### **5 FIREFIGHTING MEASURES**

**Extinguishing Media**: Use suitable extinguishing media for surrounding material and type of fire.

Unsuitable Extinguishing Media: No information available.

**Specific Hazards Arising from the Material**: This product does not present fire or explosion hazards as shipped. Small chips, fine turnings and dust from processing may be ignitable. May emit metal oxide fumes under fire conditions.

**Special Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters**: Full face, self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective clothing when necessary.

## **6 ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

**Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment, and Emergency Procedures**: Wear appropriate respiratory and protective equipment specified in section 8. Avoid dust formation. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid breathing dust or fume.

**Methods and Materials for Containment and Cleaning Up**: Sweep or scoop up. Place in a closed container for further handling and disposal. Scrap can be collected for recycling.

**Environmental Precautions**: Do not allow to enter drains or to be released to the environment.

### **7 HANDLING AND STORAGE**

**Precautions for Safe Handling**: Avoid creating dust. Provide adequate ventilation if dusts are created. See section 8 for information on personal protection equipment.

**Conditions for Safe Storage**: Store in a sealed container. Store in a cool, dry area. See section 10 for more information on incompatible materials.

### 8 EXPOSURE CONTROLS AND PERSONAL PROTECTION

Exposure Limits:OSHA/PEL:ACGIH/TLV:Copper $0.1 \text{ mg/m}^3$  $0.2 \text{ mg/m}^3$ Nickel $1 \text{ mg/m}^3$  $1.5 \text{ mg/m}^3$ 

**Engineering Controls**: Ensure adequate ventilation to maintain exposures below occupational limits. Whenever possible the use of local exhaust ventilation or other engineering controls is the preferred method of controlling exposure to airborne dust and fume to meet established occupational exposure limits. Use good housekeeping and sanitation practices. Do not use tobacco or food in work area. Wash thoroughly before eating or smoking. Do not blow dust off clothing or skin with compressed air.

**Respiratory Protection**: If permissible levels are exceeded, use NIOSH approved dust respirator.

Eye Protection: Safety glasses

**Skin Protection**: Wear impermeable gloves, protective work clothing as necessary.

## 9 PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance:

Form: Foil

**Color**: Silver-gray metallic

Odor: Odorless
Odor Threshold: Not determined
pH: N/A

**Melting Point**: 1225 °C - 1300 °C

Boiling Point: No data
Flash Point: N/A
Evaporation Rate: N/A
Flammability: No data
Upper Flammable Limit: No data
Lower Flammable Limit: No data
Vapor Pressure: No data

Vapor Density: N/A

Relative Density (Specific Gravity): 8.9 g/cc Solubility in H<sub>2</sub>O: Insoluble

Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water): Not determined

**Autoignition Temperature**: No data **Decomposition Temperature**: No data **Viscosity**: N/A

### **10 STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

Reactivity: No data

Chemical Stability: Stable under recommended storage conditions.

Possibility of Hazardous Reactions: No data

Conditions to Avoid: Avoid creating or accumulating fines or dusts.

Incompatible Materials: Acids, oxidizers.

**Hazardous Decomposition Products**: Metal oxide fume.

### 11 TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Likely Routes of Exposure**: Inhalation, skin, eyes. Product as shipped does not present an inhalation hazard; however subsequent operations may create dusts or fumes which could be inhaled.

Symptoms of Exposure: Fines/dusts may irritate skin and eyes.

#### **Acute and Chronic Effects:**

Copper: Copper is a trace element that is essential for human health. Chronic exposure to copper dust can irritate the respiratory tract, nose, mouth and eyes, and cause headaches, dizziness, nausea and diarrhea. Ingestion of excessive amounts of copper may cause gastrointestinal distress. Chronic ingestion may damage the liver and kidneys.

Nickel: The most common harmful health effect of metallic nickel in humans is an allergic skin reaction in those who are sensitive to nickel. Although nickel compounds are known human carcinogens, the evidence suggests that the relatively insoluble metallic nickel is less likely to present a carcinogenic hazard than are the nickel compounds that tend to release proportionately more nickel ion.

Acute Toxicity: No data

**Carcinogenicity: Nickel: NTP:** R - reasonably anticipated to be a human carcinogen **IARC:** 2B - possibly

carcinogenic to humans

To the best of our knowledge the chemical, physical and toxicological characteristics of the substance are not fully known.

#### 12 ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Ecotoxicity**: No data

Persistence and Degradability: No data Bioaccumulative Potential: No data

Mobility in Soil: No data

**Other Adverse Effects**: No further relevant information available.

### 13 DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste Disposal Method:

**Product**: Dispose of in accordance with Federal, State and Local regulations. **Packaging**: Dispose of in accordance with Federal, State and Local regulations.

# 14 TRANSPORT INFORMATION

DOT/ADR/IATA/IMDG Regulations: Not regulated

UN Number: N/A
UN Proper Shipping Name: N/A
Transport Hazard Class: N/A
Packing Group: N/A

Marine Pollutant: No Special Precautions: N/A

## 15 REGULATORY INFORMATION

TSCA Listed: All components are listed.

Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 (CLP): N/A

Canada WHMIS Classification (CPR, SOR/88-66): N/A
HMIS Ratings: Health: 0 Flammability: 0 Reactivity: 0
NFPA Ratings: Health: 0 Flammability: 0 Reactivity: 0

Chemical Safety Assessment: A chemical safety assessment has not been carried out.

### **16 OTHER INFORMATION**

Electrical Resistivity: 52.0  $\mu\Omega/cm$ 

Temperature Coefficient: +/- 0.00002 K<sup>-1</sup>

The above information is believed to be correct but does not purport to be all inclusive and shall be used only as a guide. Eagle Alloys Corporation shall not be held liable for any damages resulting from handling or from contact with the above product.

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