



NICKEL OXIDE BLACK

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Section 1 - CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

PRODUCT NAME

NICKEL OXIDE BLACK

OTHER NAMES

bunsenite, "green nickel oxide", "nickel protoxide",
"nickel monoxide", NiO

PRODUCT USE

Used in the refining of nickel; for painting; for the manufacture of
nickel salts and in specialty ceramics.

SUPPLIER

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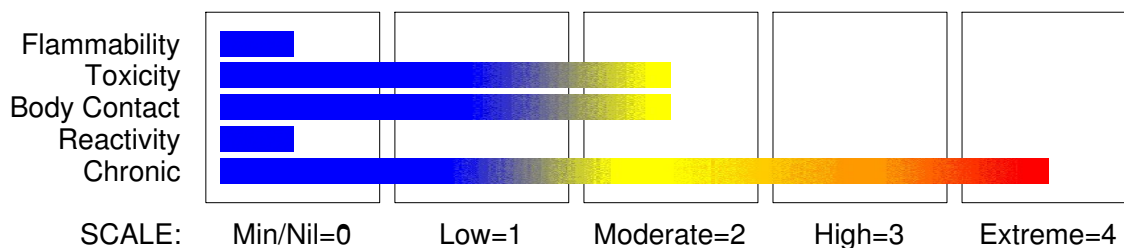
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HAZARD RATINGS



Section 2 - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

GHS Classification

Carcinogen Category 1A

Chronic Aquatic Hazard Category 4

Eye Irritation Category 2B

Respiratory Sensitizer Category 1

Skin Sensitizer Category 1

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Section 2 - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION



EMERGENCY OVERVIEW

HAZARD

DANGER

Determined by using GHS criteria:

H320 H334 H317 H350 H413

Causes eye irritation

May cause allergic or asthmatic symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled

May cause allergic skin reaction

May cause cancer by inhalation

May cause long lasting harmful effects to aquatic life.

PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS

Prevention

Obtain special instructions before use.

Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.

Contaminated clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace.

Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.

Use personal protective equipment as required.

In case of inadequate ventilation wear respiratory protection.

Wash hands thoroughly after handling.

Response

IF INHALED: If breathing is difficult, remove to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.

If experiencing respiratory symptoms call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.

If exposed or concerned: Get medical attention advice.

If skin irritation or rash occurs, seek medical advice/attention.

IF ON SKIN: Gently wash with plenty of soap and water.

Specific treatment: refer to Label or MSDS.

Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

If eye irritation persists, get medical advice/attention.

IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

Storage

Store locked up.

Disposal

Dispose of contents and container in accordance with relevant legislation.

Section 3 - COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

NAME	CAS RN	%
nickel oxide	1313-99-1	>95

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Section 4 - FIRST AID MEASURES

SWALLOWED

- If swallowed do NOT induce vomiting.
- If vomiting occurs, lean patient forward or place on left side (head-down position, if possible) to maintain open airway and prevent aspiration.
- Observe the patient carefully.
- Never give liquid to a person showing signs of being sleepy or with reduced awareness; i.e. becoming unconscious.
- Give water to rinse out mouth, then provide liquid slowly and as much as casualty can comfortably drink.
- Seek medical advice.

EYE

- If this product comes in contact with the eyes:
- Wash out immediately with fresh running water.
 - Ensure complete irrigation of the eye by keeping eyelids apart and away from eye and moving the eyelids by occasionally lifting the upper and lower lids.
 - If pain persists or recurs seek medical attention.
 - Removal of contact lenses after an eye injury should only be undertaken by skilled personnel.

SKIN

- If skin contact occurs:
- Immediately remove all contaminated clothing, including footwear.
 - Flush skin and hair with running water (and soap if available).
 - Seek medical attention in event of irritation.

INHALED

- If fumes or combustion products are inhaled remove from contaminated area.
- Lay patient down. Keep warm and rested.
- Prostheses such as false teeth, which may block airway, should be removed, where possible, prior to initiating first aid procedures.
- Apply artificial respiration if not breathing, preferably with a demand valve resuscitator, bag-valve mask device, or pocket mask as trained. Perform CPR if necessary.
- Transport to hospital, or doctor.

NOTES TO PHYSICIAN

- In cases of nickel poisoning, dimercaptol delivered by deep intramuscular injection may be a suitable antidote. (Patients should not exhibit renal or hepatic dysfunction.) The use of diethyldithiocarbamate is the subject of ongoing research.
- Irritant contact dermatoses or eczemas may respond to applications of weak antiseptic packs, antibiotic ointments (tetracycline or erythromycin) or inert pastes and ointments. Systemic antibiotics are advisable in the presence of lymphangitis or lymphadenitis.
- * Preplacement and periodic medical examinations of workers exposed to nickel are recommended. Preplacement examination should evaluate any history of skin allergies or asthma, other exposures to nickel, smoking history, condition of nasal cavity and lungs. Periodic examinations should include chest X-rays. [Source: Occupational Diseases.]

Section 5 - FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

EXTINGUISHING MEDIA

- There is no restriction on the type of extinguisher which may be used.

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- Use extinguishing media suitable for surrounding area.

FIRE FIGHTING

- Alert Fire Brigade and tell them location and nature of hazard.
- Wear breathing apparatus plus protective gloves for fire only.
- Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water courses.
- Use fire fighting procedures suitable for surrounding area.
- DO NOT approach containers suspected to be hot.
- Cool fire exposed containers with water spray from a protected location.
- If safe to do so, remove containers from path of fire.
- Equipment should be thoroughly decontaminated after use.

FIRE/EXPLOSION HAZARD

- Will not burn but increases intensity of fire.
 - Heating may cause expansion or decomposition leading to violent rupture of containers.
 - Heat affected containers remain hazardous.
 - Contact with combustibles such as wood, paper, oil or finely divided metal may produce spontaneous combustion or violent decomposition.
 - May emit irritating, poisonous or corrosive fumes.
- Decomposition may produce toxic fumes of: metal oxides.
May emit poisonous fumes.
May emit corrosive fumes.

FIRE INCOMPATIBILITY

None known.

Personal Protective Equipment

Breathing apparatus.
Gas tight chemical resistant suit.
Limit exposure duration to 1 BA set 30 mins.

Section 6 - ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

MINOR SPILLS

- Clean up all spills immediately.
- No smoking, naked lights, ignition sources.
- Avoid all contact with any organic matter including fuel, solvents, sawdust, paper or cloth and other incompatible materials, as ignition may result.
- Avoid breathing dust or vapours and all contact with skin and eyes.
- Control personal contact by using protective equipment.
- Contain and absorb spill with dry sand, earth, inert material or vermiculite.
- DO NOT use sawdust as fire may result.
- Scoop up solid residues and seal in labelled drums for disposal.
- Neutralise/decontaminate area.

MAJOR SPILLS

- Clear area of personnel and move upwind.
- Alert Fire Brigade and tell them location and nature of hazard.
- Wear full body protective clothing with breathing apparatus.
- Prevent, by all means available, spillage from entering drains or water courses.
- Consider evacuation (or protect in place).
- No smoking, naked lights or ignition sources.
- Increase ventilation.
- Stop leak if safe to do so.
- Water spray or fog may be used to disperse / absorb vapour.

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- Contain or absorb spill with sand, earth or vermiculite.
- Collect recoverable product into labelled containers for recycling.
- Collect solid residues and seal in labelled drums for disposal.
- Wash area and prevent runoff into drains.
- After clean up operations, decontaminate and launder all protective clothing and equipment before storing and re-using.
- If contamination of drains or waterways occurs, advise emergency services.

EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLANNING GUIDELINES (ERPG)

The maximum airborne concentration below which it is believed that nearly all individuals could be exposed for up to one hour WITHOUT experiencing or developing

life-threatening health effects is:

nickel oxide 12.5 mg/m³

irreversible or other serious effects or symptoms which could impair an individual's ability to take protective action is:

nickel oxide 12.5 mg/m³

other than mild, transient adverse effects without perceiving a clearly defined odour is:

nickel oxide 0.75 mg/m³

The threshold concentration below which most people will experience no appreciable risk of health effects:

nickel oxide 0.75 mg/m³

American Industrial Hygiene Association (AIHA)

Ingredients considered according to the following cutoffs

Very Toxic (T+)	>= 0.1%	Toxic (T)	>= 3.0%
R50	>= 0.25%	Corrosive (C)	>= 5.0%
R51	>= 2.5%		
else	>= 10%		

where percentage is percentage of ingredient found in the mixture

SAFE STORAGE WITH OTHER CLASSIFIED CHEMICALS



X X + X X +

+: May be stored together

O: May be stored together with specific preventions

X: Must not be stored together

Personal Protective Equipment advice is contained in Section 8 of the MSDS.

Section 7 - HANDLING AND STORAGE

PROCEDURE FOR HANDLING

- Avoid personal contact and inhalation of dust, mist or vapours.
- Provide adequate ventilation.
- Always wear protective equipment and wash off any spillage from clothing.
- Keep material away from light, heat, flammables or combustibles.
- Keep cool, dry and away from incompatible materials.
- Avoid physical damage to containers.

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Section 7 - HANDLING AND STORAGE

- DO NOT repack or return unused portions to original containers. Withdraw only sufficient amounts for immediate use.
- Contamination can lead to decomposition leading to possible intense heat and fire.
- When handling NEVER smoke, eat or drink.
- Always wash hands with soap and water after handling.
- Use only good occupational work practice.
- Observe manufacturer's storing and handling directions.

SUITABLE CONTAINER

- Polyethylene or polypropylene container.
- Check all containers are clearly labelled and free from leaks.

STORAGE INCOMPATIBILITY

WARNING: Avoid or control reaction with peroxides. All transition metal peroxides should be considered as potentially explosive.

Metals and their oxides or salts may react violently with chlorine trifluoride. Chlorine trifluoride is a hypergolic oxidiser. It ignites on contact (without external source of heat or ignition) with recognised fuels - contact with these materials, following an ambient or slightly elevated temperature, is often violent and may produce ignition. The state of subdivision may affect the results.

Reaction with hot hydrochloric acid evolves chlorine; reaction with hot sulfuric acid or hot nitric acid evolves oxygen.

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS

Observe manufacturer's storing and handling recommendations.

Section 8 - EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

EXPOSURE CONTROLS

EMERGENCY EXPOSURE LIMITS

Material	Revised IDLH Value (mg/m3)	Revised IDLH Value (ppm)
nickel oxide	10	

MATERIAL DATA

NOTE: Detector tubes for nickel, measuring in excess of 0.25 mg/m³ (as Ni) are commercially available.

Use control measures / protective gear to avoid personal contact. Animal inhalation studies with insoluble nickel dusts (other than nickel sulfide) at concentrations of 1 to 3 mg/m³ show no difference in respiratory cancer between exposed and control animals. These studies do not provide evidence that there is no excess risk of lung and nasal cancer - in view of limited exposure data and the absence of guidance for a TLV based on epidemiological studies of nickel induced respiratory tract cancer, it has been necessary to incorporate the results of animal studies that have demonstrated the production of pulmonary pathology. These studies have shown consistent pulmonary damage following inhalation of 0.1 to 1 mg/m³ insoluble inorganic nickel compounds. Individuals who may be hypersusceptible or otherwise unusually responsive to industrial chemicals may not be adequately protected against adverse health effects from nickel or its compounds at concentrations below the recommended or proposed TLV.

WARNING: This substance is classified by the NOHSC as Category 1 ESTABLISHED HUMAN CARCINOGEN.

PERSONAL PROTECTION

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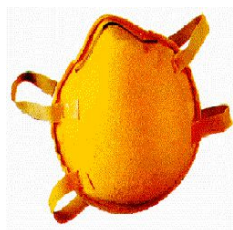
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EYE

- Safety glasses with side shields.
- Chemical goggles.
- Contact lenses may pose a special hazard; soft contact lenses may absorb and concentrate irritants. A written policy document, describing the wearing of lens or restrictions on use, should be created for each workplace or task. This should include a review of lens absorption and adsorption for the class of chemicals in use and an account of injury experience. Medical and first-aid personnel should be trained in their removal and suitable equipment should be readily available. In the event of chemical exposure, begin eye irrigation immediately and remove contact lens as soon as practicable. Lens should be removed at the first signs of eye redness or irritation - lens should be removed in a clean environment only after workers have washed hands thoroughly. [CDC NIOSH Current Intelligence Bulletin 59].

HANDS/FEET

Suitability and durability of glove type is dependent on usage. Factors such as:

- frequency and duration of contact,
- chemical resistance of glove material,
- glove thickness and
- dexterity,

are important in the selection of gloves.

Experience indicates that the following polymers are suitable as glove materials for protection against undissolved, dry solids.

- polychloroprene
- nitrile rubber
- butyl rubber
- fluorocarbon
- polyvinyl chloride

Gloves should be examined for wear and/ or degradation constantly.

NOTE: The material may produce skin sensitisation in predisposed individuals. Care must be taken, when removing gloves and other protective equipment, to avoid all possible skin contact.

OTHER

- Prior to each exit from an area containing confirmed human carcinogens, employees should be required to remove and leave protective clothing and equipment at the point of exit and at the last exit of the day, to place used clothing and equipment in impervious containers at the point of exit for purposes of decontamination or disposal. The contents of such impervious containers must be identified with suitable labels. For maintenance and decontamination activities, authorized employees entering the area should be provided with and required to wear clean, impervious garments, including gloves, boots and continuous-air supplied hood.
- Prior to removing protective garments the employee should undergo decontamination and be required to shower upon removal of the garments and hood.
- Overalls.
- P.V.C. apron.
- Barrier cream.
- Skin cleansing cream.
- Eye wash unit.
- Employees working with confirmed human carcinogens should be provided with, and be

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required to wear, clean, full body protective clothing (smocks, coveralls, or long -sleeved shirt and pants), shoe covers and gloves prior to entering the regulated area.

- Employees engaged in handling operations involving carcinogens should be provided with, and required to wear and use half-face filter-type respirators with filters for dusts, mists and fumes, or air purifying canisters or cartridges. A respirator affording higher levels of protection may be substituted.
- Emergency deluge showers and eyewash fountains, supplied with potable water, should be located near, within sight of, and on the same level with locations where direct exposure is likely.

RESPIRATOR

Protection Factor	Half- Face Respirator	Full- Face Respirator	Powered Air Respirator
10 x ES	P1 Air- line*	- -	PAPR- P1 -
50 x ES	Air- line**	P2	PAPR- P2
100 x ES	-	P3	-
		Air- line*	-
100+ x ES	-	Air- line**	PAPR- P3

* - Negative pressure demand ** - Continuous flow.

The local concentration of material, quantity and conditions of use determine the type of personal protective equipment required.

For further information consult your Occupational Health and Safety Advisor.

ENGINEERING CONTROLS

Local exhaust ventilation usually required. If risk of overexposure exists, wear approved respirator. Correct fit is essential to obtain adequate protection. Supplied-air type respirator may be required in special circumstances. Correct fit is essential to ensure adequate protection.

An approved self contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) may be required in some situations. Provide adequate ventilation in warehouse or closed storage area. Air contaminants generated in the workplace possess varying "escape" velocities which, in turn, determine the "capture velocities" of fresh circulating air required to effectively remove the contaminant.

Type of Contaminant:	Air Speed:
solvent, vapours, degreasing etc., evaporating from tank (in still air).	0.25- 0.5 m/s (50- 100 f/min.)
aerosols, fumes from pouring operations, intermittent container filling, low speed conveyer transfers, welding, spray drift, plating acid fumes, pickling (released at low velocity into zone of active generation)	0.5- 1 m/s (100- 200 f/min.)
direct spray, spray painting in shallow booths, drum filling, conveyer loading, crusher dusts, gas discharge (active generation into zone of rapid air motion)	1- 2.5 m/s (200- 500 f/min.)
grinding, abrasive blasting, tumbling, high speed wheel generated dusts (released at high initial velocity into zone of very high rapid air motion).	2.5- 10 m/s (500- 2000 f/min.)

Within each range the appropriate value depends on:

Lower end of the range
1: Room air currents minimal or favourable to capture

Upper end of the range
1: Disturbing room air currents

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2: Contaminants of low toxicity or of nuisance value only.

3: Intermittent, low production.

4: Large hood or large air mass in motion

2: Contaminants of high toxicity

3: High production, heavy use

4: Small hood- local control only

Simple theory shows that air velocity falls rapidly with distance away from the opening of a simple extraction pipe. Velocity generally decreases with the square of distance from the extraction point (in simple cases). Therefore the air speed at the extraction point should be adjusted, accordingly, after reference to distance from the contaminating source. The air velocity at the extraction fan, for example, should be a minimum of 1-2 m/s (200-400 f/min) for extraction of solvents generated in a tank 2 meters distant from the extraction point. Other mechanical considerations, producing performance deficits within the extraction apparatus, make it essential that theoretical air velocities are multiplied by factors of 10 or more when extraction systems are installed or used.

- Employees exposed to confirmed human carcinogens should be authorized to do so by the employer, and work in a regulated area.

- Work should be undertaken in an isolated system such as a "glove-box". Employees should wash their hands and arms upon completion of the assigned task and before engaging in other activities not associated with the isolated system.

- Within regulated areas, the carcinogen should be stored in sealed containers, or enclosed in a closed system, including piping systems, with any sample ports or openings closed while the carcinogens are contained within.

- Open-vessel systems are prohibited.

- Each operation should be provided with continuous local exhaust ventilation so that air movement is always from ordinary work areas to the operation.

- Exhaust air should not be discharged to regulated areas, non-regulated areas or the external environment unless decontaminated. Clean make-up air should be introduced in sufficient volume to maintain correct operation of the local exhaust system.

- For maintenance and decontamination activities, authorized employees entering the area should be provided with and required to wear clean, impervious garments, including gloves, boots and continuous-air supplied hood. Prior to removing protective garments the employee should undergo decontamination and be required to shower upon removal of the garments and hood.

- Except for outdoor systems, regulated areas should be maintained under negative pressure (with respect to non-regulated areas).

- Local exhaust ventilation requires make-up air be supplied in equal volumes to replaced air.

- Laboratory hoods must be designed and maintained so as to draw air inward at an average linear face velocity of 150 feet/ min. with a minimum of 125 feet/ min. Design and construction of the fume hood requires that insertion of any portion of the employees body, other than hands and arms, be disallowed.

Section 9 - PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

APPEARANCE

Green-black, odourless powder. Insoluble in water. Soluble in acids and ammonium hydroxide. Absorbs oxygen at 400 C forming nickelic oxide which is reduced to nickel oxide again at 600 C.

PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

Solid.

Does not mix with water.

Sinks in water.

Molecular Weight: 74.71
Melting Range (°C): 1984

Boiling Range (°C): Not available.
Specific Gravity (water=1): 7.45

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Solubility in water (g/L): Immiscible
pH (1% solution): Not applicable.
Volatile Component (%vol): Not applicable.
Relative Vapour Density (air=1): Not applicable.
Lower Explosive Limit (%): Not applicable
Autoignition Temp (°C): Not available.
State: Divided solid

pH (as supplied): Not applicable
Vapour Pressure (kPa): Not applicable.
Evaporation Rate: Not applicable
Flash Point (°C): Not applicable
Upper Explosive Limit (%): Not applicable
Decomposition Temp (°C): Not available.
Viscosity: Not Applicable

Section 10 - CHEMICAL STABILITY AND REACTIVITY INFORMATION

CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO INSTABILITY

- Presence of incompatible materials.
- Product is considered stable.
- Hazardous polymerisation will not occur.

Section 11 - TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS

ACUTE HEALTH EFFECTS

SWALLOWED

Accidental ingestion of the material may be damaging to the health of the individual. Nickel is poorly absorbed from the gastrointestinal tract. It is transported in the plasma bound to serum albumin and various small organic ligands. Excretion in the urine is substantially complete in 4-5 days. Serum nickel is influenced by environmental nickel or nickel concentrations in the air with faecal nickel about 100 times urinary nickel. Parenterally administered nickel is rapidly distributed to kidney, pituitary, lung, skin, adrenal and ovary and testis. In vivo binding with metallothionein has been demonstrated. A nickel binding protein has also been identified in plasma; it has been tentatively identified as an alpha-1-glycoprotein with a serum alpha-1-macroglobulin complex. Nickel salts cause vomiting, following ingestion, as a result of astringent and irritant effects. In common with other irritant-emetics the lethal dose varies widely. Absorption is generally poor and systemic poisoning is rare. Systemic effects include increased blood sugar levels (hyperglycaemia), capillary damage (especially in the brain and adrenals), kidney damage, heart damage (myocardial weakness) and central nervous system depression.

EYE

Limited evidence exists, or practical experience suggests, that the material may cause eye irritation in a substantial number of individuals and/or is expected to produce significant ocular lesions which are present twenty-four hours or more after instillation into the eye(s) of experimental animals. Repeated or prolonged eye contact may cause inflammation characterised by temporary redness (similar to windburn) of the conjunctiva (conjunctivitis); temporary impairment of vision and/or other transient eye damage/ulceration may occur.

SKIN

The material is not thought to produce adverse health effects or skin irritation following contact (as classified by EC Directives using animal models). Nevertheless, good hygiene practice requires that exposure be kept to a minimum and that suitable gloves be used in an occupational setting. Solution of material in moisture on the skin, or perspiration, may increase irritant effects.

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Entry into the blood-stream, through, for example, cuts, abrasions or lesions, may produce systemic injury with harmful effects. Examine the skin prior to the use of the material and ensure that any external damage is suitably protected.

INHALED

Inhalation may produce health damage*.

Inhalation of dusts, generated by the material during the course of normal handling, may be damaging to the health of the individual.

The material is not thought to produce respiratory irritation (as classified by EC Directives using animal models). Nevertheless inhalation of dusts, or fumes, especially for prolonged periods, may produce respiratory discomfort and occasionally, distress. Regular exposure to nickel fume, as the oxide, may result in "metal fume fever" a sometimes debilitating upper respiratory tract condition resembling influenza.

Symptoms include malaise, fever, weakness, nausea and may appear quickly if operations occur in closed or poorly ventilated areas. Pulmonary oedema, pulmonary fibrosis and asthma has been reported in welders using nickel alloys; level of exposure are generally not available and case reports are often confounded by mixed exposures to other agents.

Inhalation of freshly formed metal oxide particles sized below 1.5 microns and generally between 0.02 to 0.05 microns may result in "metal fume fever". Symptoms may be delayed for up to 12 hours and begin with the sudden onset of thirst, and a sweet, metallic or foul taste in the mouth. Other symptoms include upper respiratory tract irritation accompanied by coughing and a dryness of the mucous membranes, lassitude and a generalised feeling of malaise. Mild to severe headache, nausea, occasional vomiting, fever or chills, exaggerated mental activity, profuse sweating, diarrhoea, excessive urination and prostration may also occur. Tolerance to the fumes develops rapidly, but is quickly lost. All symptoms usually subside within 24-36 hours following removal from exposure.

CHRONIC HEALTH EFFECTS

Long term exposure to high dust concentrations may cause changes in lung function (i.e. pneumoconiosis) caused by particles less than 0.5 micron penetrating and remaining in the lung. A prime symptom is breathlessness. Lung shadows show on X-ray.

Limited evidence shows that inhalation of the material is capable of inducing a sensitisation reaction in a significant number of individuals at a greater frequency than would be expected from the response of a normal population.

Pulmonary sensitisation, resulting in hyperactive airway dysfunction and pulmonary allergy may be accompanied by fatigue, malaise and aching. Significant symptoms of exposure may persist for extended periods, even after exposure ceases. Symptoms can be activated by a variety of nonspecific environmental stimuli such as automobile exhaust, perfumes and passive smoking.

Practical experience shows that skin contact with the material is capable either of inducing a sensitisation reaction in a substantial number of individuals, and/or of producing a positive response in experimental animals.

The most common toxic reaction to nickel is skin sensitisation which may produce a chronic eczema called "nickel itch". The first symptom is itching which occurs up to 7 days prior to the appearance of skin eruption. The primary skin eruption is erythematous or follicular and may be followed by superficial discrete ulcers (which discharge and become crusted), or eczema. In the chronic stages, pigmented or depigmented plaques may be formed. Recovery from the dermatitis usually occurs within 7 days but may take several weeks.

Nickel dusts and several specific compounds are carcinogenic in animals following inhalation or parenteral administration (but not by ingestion or skin contact). Increases in lung and nasal cavity cancers have been observed amongst nickel workers in smelters and refineries. Respiratory cancer risks primarily relate to chronic exposure to soluble nickels at concentrations in excess of 1 mg Ni/m³ and exposure to the less soluble forms at concentrations greater than 10 mg Ni/m³. Metallic nickel does not appear to pose such

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a threat.

On the basis of epidemiological data, it has been concluded that prolonged inhalation of the material, in an occupational setting, may produce cancer in humans.

Nickel dusts, fumes and salts are potent contact allergens and sensitisers producing a dermatitis known as "nickel" rash.

In the absence of properly designed ventilation systems or where respiratory protective devices are inadequate, up to 10% of exposed workers are expected to be symptomatic.

TOXICITY AND IRRITATION

TOXICITY

Oral (rat) LDLo: 5 mg/kg

Subcutaneous (Mouse) LD50: 50 mg/kg

Intravenous (Dog) LD: 9 mg/kg

IRRITATION

Nil Reported

Contact allergies quickly manifest themselves as contact eczema, more rarely as urticaria or Quincke's oedema. The pathogenesis of contact eczema involves a cell-mediated (T lymphocytes) immune reaction of the delayed type. Other allergic skin reactions, e.g. contact urticaria, involve antibody-mediated immune reactions. The significance of the contact allergen is not simply determined by its sensitisation potential: the distribution of the substance and the opportunities for contact with it are equally important. A weakly sensitising substance which is widely distributed can be a more important allergen than one with stronger sensitising potential with which few individuals come into contact. From a clinical point of view, substances are noteworthy if they produce an allergic test reaction in more than 1% of the persons tested.

Section 12 - ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Transport and distribution of nickel particulates between different environmental compartments, is strongly influenced by particle size. Fine particulate matter has a longer residence time in the environment and is carried a long distance from its source; larger particles are deposited near the emission source. Atmospheric residence time for nickel particulates is estimated to be 5.4-7.9 days. Water solubility and bioavailability is affected by soil pH; decrease in pH generally mobilises nickel, thus acid rain can mobilise nickel from the soil and increase nickel concentrations in ground water. Nickel bioaccumulates in the food chain but is not bioconcentrated.

Drinking Water Standards:

Nickel 50 ug/l (UK max.)

20 ug/l (WHO guideline)

Soil Guidelines:

Dutch Criteria: 35 mg/kg (target)

210 mg/kg (intervention).

Do NOT allow product to come in contact with surface waters or to intertidal areas below the mean high water mark. Do not contaminate water when cleaning equipment or disposing of equipment wash-waters.

Wastes resulting from use of the product must be disposed of on site or at approved waste sites.

DO NOT discharge into sewer or waterways.

Section 13 - DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

- Recycle wherever possible or consult manufacturer for recycling options.
- Consult State Land Waste Management Authority for disposal.
- Bury residue in an authorised landfill.
- Recycle containers if possible, or dispose of in an authorised landfill.
- Containers may still present a chemical hazard/ danger when empty.
- Return to supplier for reuse/ recycling if possible.

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Otherwise:

- If container can not be cleaned sufficiently well to ensure that residuals do not remain or if the container cannot be used to store the same product, then puncture containers, to prevent re-use, and bury at an authorised landfill.
- Where possible retain label warnings and MSDS and observe all notices pertaining to the product.

Section 14 - TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

HAZCHEM: None

NOT REGULATED FOR TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS:UN, IATA,
IMDG

Section 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION

REGULATIONS

nickel oxide (CAS: 1313-99-1) is found on the following regulatory lists;
International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) Carcinogens
OECD Representative List of High Production Volume (HPV) Chemicals

No data available for nickel oxide as CAS: 185461-96-5, CAS: 203645-17-4, CAS: 339311-41-0.

Section 16 - OTHER INFORMATION

INGREDIENTS WITH MULTIPLE CAS NUMBERS

Ingredient Name	CAS
nickel oxide	1313- 99- 1, 185461- 96- 5, 203645- 17- 4, 339311- 41- 0

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