

# Material Safety Data Sheet

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## 1 Identification of substance:

### Product details:

**Product name:** Octacarbonyldicobalt

**Stock number:** 13060

### Manufacturer/Supplier:

Alfa Aesar, A Johnson Matthey Company  
Johnson Matthey Catalog Company, Inc.  
30 Bond Street  
Ward Hill, MA 01835-8099  
Emergency Phone: (978) 521-6300  
CHEMTREC: (800) 424-9300  
Web Site: www.alfa.com

**Information Department:** Health, Safety and Environmental Department

### Emergency information:

During normal hours the Health, Safety and Environmental Department. After normal hours call Chemtrec at (800) 424-9300.

## 2 Composition/Data on components:

### Chemical characterization:

#### Description: (CAS#)

Octacarbonyldicobalt (CAS# 10210-68-1); 95-99%

Hexane (CAS# 110-54-3); 1-5%

#### Identification number(s):

**EINECS Number:** 233-514-0

## 3 Hazards identification

### Hazard description:



T+ Very toxic  
F Highly flammable

### Information pertaining to particular dangers for man and environment

R 11 Highly flammable.  
R 22 Harmful if swallowed.  
R 26 Very toxic by inhalation.  
R 40 Limited evidence of a carcinogenic effect.  
R 43 May cause sensitization by skin contact.  
R 62 Possible risk of impaired fertility  
R 52/53 Harmful to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment

### Classification system

#### HMIS ratings (scale 0-4)

(Hazardous Materials Identification System)

HEALTH	4	Health (acute effects) = 4
FIRE	3	Flammability = 3
REACTIVITY	2	Reactivity = 2

### GHS label elements



**Danger**

2.7/1 - Flammable solid.  
2.11/2 - Self-heating in large quantities; may catch fire.



**Danger**

3.1/1 - Fatal if inhaled.  
3.1/4 - Harmful if swallowed.  
3.4/1 - May cause an allergic skin reaction.



**Warning**

3.6/2 - Suspected of causing cancer.  
3.7/2 - Suspected of damaging fertility or the unborn child.

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4.1/3 - Harmful to aquatic life.  
4.1/3 - Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

**Prevention:**

Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking.  
Wear protective gloves/clothing.  
Avoid release to the environment.

**Response:**

IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.  
IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.  
Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.

## 4 First aid measures

**General information**

Immediately remove any clothing soiled by the product.  
Remove breathing apparatus only after contaminated clothing has been completely removed.  
In case of irregular breathing or respiratory arrest provide artificial respiration.

**After inhalation**

Supply fresh air. If required, provide artificial respiration. Keep patient warm.  
Seek immediate medical advice.

**After skin contact**

Immediately wash with water and soap and rinse thoroughly.  
Seek immediate medical advice.

**After eye contact**

Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. Then consult a doctor.  
**After swallowing** Seek immediate medical advice.

## 5 Fire fighting measures

**Suitable extinguishing agents** CO<sub>2</sub>, sand, extinguishing powder. Do not use water.

**For safety reasons unsuitable extinguishing agents** Water

**Special hazards caused by the material, its products of combustion or resulting gases:**

In case of fire, the following can be released:

Carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide

Toxic metal oxide fume

**Protective equipment:**

Wear self-contained respirator.

Wear fully protective impervious suit.

## 6 Accidental release measures

**Person-related safety precautions:**

Wear protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.

Ensure adequate ventilation

Keep away from ignition sources

**Measures for environmental protection:**

Do not allow material to be released to the environment without proper governmental permits.

**Measures for cleaning/collecting:**

Dispose contaminated material as waste according to item 13.

Ensure adequate ventilation.

Keep away from ignition sources.

**Additional information:**

See Section 7 for information on safe handling

See Section 8 for information on personal protection equipment.

See Section 13 for disposal information.

## 7 Handling and storage

**Handling****Information for safe handling:**

Handle under dry protective gas.

Keep container tightly sealed.

Store in cool, dry place in tightly closed containers.

Ensure good ventilation at the workplace.

Open and handle container with care.

**Information about protection against explosions and fires:**

Keep ignition sources away.

Protect against electrostatic charges.

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**Storage**

**Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles:** Store in a cool location.

**Information about storage in one common storage facility:**

Store away from oxidizing agents.

Store away from air.

**Further information about storage conditions:**

Store under dry inert gas.

Keep container tightly sealed.

Store in cool, dry conditions in well sealed containers.

This product is air sensitive.

## 8 Exposure controls and personal protection

**Additional information about design of technical systems:**

Properly operating chemical fume hood designed for hazardous chemicals and having an average face velocity of at least 100 feet per minute.

**Components with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace:**

Cobalt carbonyl

	mg/m <sup>3</sup>
ACGIH TLV	0.1
Belgium TWA	0.1
Denmark TWA	0.1
France TWA	0.1
Hungary TWA	0.01; 0.02 STEL
Netherlands TWA	0.1

n-Hexane

	ppm
ACGIH TLV	50 (skin)
Austria MAK	50
Belgium TWA	50
Denmark TWA	25
Finland TWA	50; 150-STEEL
France VME	50
Germany MAK	50
Hungary TWA	100; 200-STEEL
Japan OEL	40 (skin)
Korea TLV	50 (skin)
Netherlands MAC-TGG	25
Norway TWA	25
Poland TWA	100; 400-STEEL
Russia TWA	40; 300-STEEL
Sweden NGV	25; 50-KTV
Switzerland MAK-W	50; 100-KZG-W
United Kingdom TWA	20
USA PEL	500

**Additional information:** No data

**Personal protective equipment**

**General protective and hygienic measures**

The usual precautionary measures for handling chemicals should be followed.

Keep away from foodstuffs, beverages and feed.

Remove all soiled and contaminated clothing immediately.

Wash hands before breaks and at the end of work.

Store protective clothing separately.

**Breathing equipment:** Use suitable respirator when high concentrations are present.

**Protection of hands:** Impervious gloves

**Eye protection:** Safety glasses

**Body protection:** Protective work clothing.

## 9 Physical and chemical properties:

**General Information**

<b>Form:</b>	Crystalline
<b>Color:</b>	Red-orange
<b>Odor:</b>	Specific type

**Change in condition**

<b>Melting point/Melting range:</b>	ca 51°C (ca 124°F) (dec)
<b>Boiling point/Boiling range:</b>	Not determined

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Sublimation temperature / start:	Not determined
Flash point:	-13°C (9°F)
Flammability (solid, gaseous)	Highly flammable.
Ignition temperature:	Not determined
Decomposition temperature:	Not determined
Explosion limits:	
Lower:	Not determined
Upper:	Not determined
Vapor pressure:	Not determined
Density at 20°C (68°F):	1.73 g/cm <sup>3</sup>
Solubility in / Miscibility with Water:	Insoluble

### 10 Stability and reactivity

**Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:**

Decomposition will not occur if used and stored according to specifications.

**Materials to be avoided:**

Air

Oxidizing agents

**Dangerous reactions** Self igniting

**Dangerous products of decomposition:**

Carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide

Toxic metal oxide fume

### 11 Toxicological information

**Acute toxicity:**

**LD/LC50 values that are relevant for classification:**

Oral	LD50	378 mg/kg (mouse) (RTECS)
		754 mg/kg (rat) (RTECS)
Inhalative	LC50	165 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (rat) (RTECS)
	LC50/2H	26.9 mg/m <sup>3</sup> /2H (mouse) (RTECS)

**Primary irritant effect:**

**on the skin:** May cause irritation

**on the eye:** May cause irritation

**Sensitization:** Sensitization possible through skin contact.

**Subacute to chronic toxicity:**

Carbonyl compounds are toxic due to decomposition yielding carbon monoxide. Symptoms include asphyxia, headache, mental confusion, dizziness, impairment of vision and hearing, and fainting. High exposures can result in unconsciousness and death due to the inability of hemoglobin to carry oxygen to the tissues.

n-Hexane causes skin irritation, CNS effects, lung irritation, headache, dizziness, drowsiness, Repeated or prolonged exposure to the vapor can cause peripheral polyneuropathy. Symptoms include incoordination, slowed reaction time, blurred vision, slurred speech, facial numbness, loss of sensation. Gradual recovery is normally found after removal from exposure. Also causes reproductive effects in laboratory animals.

Cobalt is an experimental neoplastigen and tumorigen. It is an experimental carcinogen of the connective tissue and lungs. Cobalt metal and inorganic compounds are classified as an animal carcinogen by the ACGIH. Ingestion may cause burning in the mouth, esophagus, and stomach. Inhalation of ducts and fumes may cause irritation of the respiratory tract and labored breathing and coughing. Sensitization, nausea, flushing of the face and ringing in the ears is also possible. Chronic ingestion may result in pericardial effusion, polycardial effusion, polycythemia, cardiac failure, vomiting, convulsions and thyroid enlargement.

**Additional toxicological information:**

To the best of our knowledge the acute and chronic toxicity of this substance is not fully known.

Possible risk of impaired fertility.

IARC-2B: Possibly carcinogenic to humans: limited evidence in humans in the absence of sufficient evidence in experimental animals.

The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) contains tumorigenic and/or carcinogenic and/or neoplastic data for components in this product.

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## 12 Ecological information:

**Ecotoxicological effects:**
**Remark:** Harmful to aquatic organisms

**Additional ecological information:**
**General notes:**

Do not allow material to be released to the environment without proper governmental permits.

Harmful to aquatic organisms

## 13 Disposal considerations

**Product:**
**Recommendation** Consult state, local or national regulations to ensure proper disposal.

**Uncleaned packagings:**
**Recommendation:** Disposal must be made according to official regulations.

## 14 Transport information

**DOT regulations:**


**Hazard class:** 6.1  
**Identification number:** UN3124  
**Packing group:** I  
**Proper shipping name (technical name):** TOXIC SOLID, SELF-HEATING, N.O.S.  
 (Octacarbonyldicobalt)  
**Label** 6.1+4.2

**Land transport ADR/RID (cross-border)**


**ADR/RID class:** 6.1 (TS) Toxic substances  
**Danger code (Kemler):** 664  
**UN-Number:** 3124  
**Packaging group:** I  
**Description of goods:** 3124 TOXIC SOLID, SELF-HEATING, N.O.S.  
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**Maritime transport IMDG:**


**IMDG Class:** 6.1  
**UN Number:** 3124  
**Label** 6.1+4.2  
**Packaging group:** I  
**Marine pollutant:** No  
**Proper shipping name:** TOXIC SOLID, SELF-HEATING, N.O.S.  
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**Air transport ICAO-TI and IATA-DGR:**


**ICAO/IATA Class:** 6.1  
**UN/ID Number:** 3124  
**Label** 6.1+4.2  
**Packaging group:** I

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**UN "Model Regulation":** UN3124, TOXIC SOLID, SELF-HEATING, N.O.S., 6.1 (4.2), I

## 15 Regulations

### Product related hazard informations:

#### Hazard symbols:

T+ Very toxic  
F Highly flammable

#### Risk phrases:

11 Highly flammable.  
22 Harmful if swallowed.  
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43 May cause sensitization by skin contact.  
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#### Safety phrases:

16 Keep away from sources of ignition - No smoking.  
28 After contact with skin, wash immediately with plenty of soap and water  
36/37 Wear suitable protective clothing and gloves.  
45 In case of accident or if you feel unwell, seek medical advice immediately.  
61 Avoid release to the environment. Refer to special instructions/Safety data sheets

#### National regulations

All components of this product are listed in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Toxic Substances Control Act Chemical substance Inventory.  
All components of this product are listed on the Canadian Domestic Substances List (DSL).

#### Information about limitation of use:

For use only by technically qualified individuals.  
This product is subject to the reporting requirements of section 313 of the Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know Act of 1986 and 40CFR372.  
This product contains cobalt and is subject to the reporting requirements of section 313 of the Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know Act of 1986 and 40CFR372.

## 16 Other information:

Employers should use this information only as a supplement to other information gathered by them, and should make independent judgement of suitability of this information to ensure proper use and protect the health and safety of employees. This information is furnished without warranty, and any use of the product not in conformance with this Material Safety Data Sheet, or in combination with any other product or process, is the responsibility of the user.

**Department issuing MSDS:** Health, Safety and Environmental Department.

**Contact:** Zachariah Holt

#### Abbreviations and acronyms:

ADR: Accord européen sur le transport des marchandises dangereuses par Route (European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road)  
RID: Règlement international concernant le transport des marchandises dangereuses par chemin de fer (Regulations Concerning the International Transport of Dangerous Goods by Rail)  
IMDG: International Maritime Code For Dangerous Goods  
DOT: US Department of Transportation  
IATA: International Air Transport Association  
IATA-DGR: Dangerous Goods Regulations by the "International Air Transport Association" (IATA)  
ICAO: International Civil Aviation Organization  
ICAO-TI: Technical Instructions by the "International Civil Aviation Organization" (ICAO)  
GHS: Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals  
EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances  
CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society)  
HMIS: Hazardous Materials Identification System (USA)  
LC50: Lethal concentration, 50 percent  
LD50: Lethal dose, 50 percent

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