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Product Name **MAGNESIUM Ribbon**

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**1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER**

<b>Product Name</b>	MAGNESIUM Ribbon	
<b>Company Name</b>	CHEM-SUPPLY PTY LTD (ABN 19 008 264 211)	
<b>Address</b>	50 Bedford Street GILLMAN SA 5013 Australia	
<b>Telephone/Fax Number</b>	Tel: (08) 8440-2000 Fax: (08) 8440-2001	
<b>Recommended Use</b>	Reducing agent, thermite reactions, photographic flashbulbs and laboratory reagent.	
<b>Other Names</b>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Product Code</u>
	MAGNESIUM Ribbon TG	MT032
<b>Other Information</b>	EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBER: +61 08 8440 2000 Business hours: 8:30am to 5:00pm, Monday to Friday.	

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**2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**

<b>Hazard Classification</b>	Not classified as hazardous according to criteria of NOHSC DANGEROUS GOODS. NON-HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE. Dangerous goods classification according to the Australian Dangerous Goods Code.
<b>Risk Phrase(s)</b>	Hazard classification according to the criteria of NOHSC. Not classified as hazardous according to criteria of NOHSC R15 Contact with water liberates extremely flammable gases. R17 Spontaneously flammable in air.
<b>Safety Phrase(s)</b>	S43 In case of fire, use sand, never use water. S7/8 Keep container tightly closed and dry.
<b>Irritancy of Product</b>	Severe irritant. Vesicant.
<b>Teratogenicity</b>	No evidence of teratogenic effects.
<b>Signs and Symptoms of Exposure</b>	Symptoms include chills, fever, malaise, muscle and joint pain, rash, and anorexia. Symptoms of exposure may include burning sensation, coughing, wheezing, laryngitis, shortness of breath, headache, nausea, and vomiting.
<b>Medical Conditions Generally Aggravated by Exposure</b>	Existing wounds contaminated with magnesium are very slow to heal. Persons with pre-existing skin conditions, eye problems or impaired respiratory function may be more susceptible to the effects of this product.
<b>Environmental Hazards</b>	After reaction, harmful effect on aquatic organisms.
<b>Other Information</b>	Magnesium powder is entered in Class 4.3 as a substance dangerous when wet. Pyrophoric alloys are entered in Class 4.2.

**3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

<b>Chemical Characterization</b>	Solid				
<b>Ingredients</b>	<u>Name</u>	<u>CAS</u>	<u>Proportion</u>	<u>Hazard Symbol</u>	<u>Risk Phrase</u>



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Magnesium	7439-95-4	100 %	F	R15, R17
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## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

**Inhalation** Remove from exposure. Keep warm and at rest. Seek medical attention in severe cases.

**Ingestion** Rinse mouth thoroughly with water immediately. Give plenty of water to drink. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. If swallowed, do NOT induce vomiting. Seek medical attention.

**Skin** Quickly but gently, wipe material off skin. Remove contaminated clothing and wash affected skin with soap and water. Contaminated clothing must be laundered before re-use. Seek medical attention in severe cases.

**Eye** Remove contact lenses. Carefully remove particles with cotton applicator. Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes, lifting upper and lower eyelids occasionally. Seek medical attention.

**First Aid Facilities** Maintain eyewash fountain and drench facilities in work area.

**Advice to Doctor** Treat symptomatically.

**Other Information** For advice, contact a Poisons Information Centre (Phone eg Australia 13 1126; New Zealand 0800 764 766) or a doctor.

## 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

**Hazards from Combustion Products** Emits toxic fumes under fire conditions.

**Specific Methods** DO NOT USE WATER OR FOAM.  
Small fire: Use dry chemical, soda ash, lime or sand.  
If safe to do so, move undamaged containers from fire area.  
Large fire: Use DRY sand, dry chemical, soda ash or lime or withdraw and let fire burn.  
Cool containers with flooding quantities of water until well after fire is out. Avoid getting water inside containers.

**Sensitivity to Impact (Shock Sensitivity)** Non-flammable in presence of shocks.

**Specific Hazards** Produce flammable substances on contact with water. May ignite on contact with water or moist air. May react vigorously or explosively on contact with water. May be ignited by heat, sparks or flame. May re-ignite after fire is extinguished. Some are kept in or under flammable liquids. Fire will produce irritating, poisonous and/or corrosive gases. Containers may explode when heated. Runoff may create multiple fire or explosion hazard.

**Hazchem Code** 1Z

**Sensitivity to Static Discharge** Highly flammable in presence of open flames and sparks, of heat.

**Precautions in connection with Fire Unsuited Extinguishing Media** Wear SCBA and chemical splash suit. Structural firefighter's uniform may provide limited protection.  
Water, foam and carbon dioxide.

## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

**Spills & Disposal** ELIMINATE all ignition sources (no smoking, flares, sparks or flames) within at least 25m. Do not touch or walk through spilled material. Stop leak if safe to do so - Prevent entry into waterways, drains or confined areas. Water spray may be used to knock down vapours or divert vapour clouds. DO NOT GET WATER inside containers or in contact with substance.  
Small spill  
Cover with DRY earth, sand or other non-combustible material followed by plastic sheet to minimize spreading or contact with rain.  
Large Spill  
SEEK EXPERT ADVICE ON HANDLING AND DISPOSAL.

**Personal Protection** Wear protective clothing specified for normal operations (see Section 8)

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE



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<b>Conditions for Safe Storage</b>	Store away from sources of heat or ignition. Store away from oxidizing agents. Store away from acids. Keep containers closed at all times. Store at room temperature (15 - 25 °C). Keep dry and protect from direct sunlight.
<b>Corrosiveness</b>	Non-corrosive in presence of glass. Magnesium is anodic to all other structural metals. Magnesium develops a corrosion-inhibiting film upon exposure to clean atmospheres and freshwater. However, the film breaks down in the presence of chlorides, sulphates and other media. It is rapidly attacked by mineral acids, except for chromic and hydrofluoric acids. It is however, resistant to dilute alkalis, aliphatic and aromatic hydrocarbons, particular alcohols, and dry bromine, chlorine and fluorine gases. Anodising magnesium improves its corrosion resistance.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

<b>Other Exposure Information</b>	A time weighted average (TWA) concentration for an 8 hour day, and 5 day week has not been established by NOHSC Australia for this product. There is a blanket limit of 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup> for dusts when limits have not otherwise been established.
<b>Engineering Controls</b>	In industrial situations maintain the concentrations values below the TWA. This may be achieved by process modification, use of local exhaust ventilation, capturing substances at the source, or other methods.
<b>Respiratory Protection</b>	Where ventilation is not adequate, respiratory protection may be required. Avoid breathing dust, vapours or mists. Respiratory protection should comply with AS 1716 - Respiratory Protective Devices and be selected in accordance with AS 1715 - Selection, Use and Maintenance of Respiratory Protective Devices. Filter capacity and respirator type depends on exposure levels. In event of emergency or planned entry into unknown concentrations a positive pressure, full-facepiece SCBA should be used. If respiratory protection is required, institute a complete respiratory protection program including selection, fit testing, training, maintenance and inspection.
<b>Eye Protection</b>	The use of a face shield, chemical goggles or safety glasses with side shield protection as appropriate. Must comply with Australian Standards AS 1337 and be selected and used in accordance with AS 1336.
<b>Hand Protection</b>	Hand protection should comply with AS 2161, Occupational protective gloves - Selection, use and maintenance. Recommendation: Plastic or rubber gloves.
<b>Body Protection</b>	Flame retardant protective clothing. Clean clothing or protective clothing should be worn, preferably with an apron. Clothing for protection against chemicals should comply with AS 3765 Clothing for Protection Against Hazardous Chemicals.
<b>Hygiene Measures</b>	Always wash hands before smoking, eating or using the toilet. Wash contaminated clothing and other protective equipment before storing or re-using.

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

<b>Form</b>	Solid
<b>Appearance</b>	Silvery white metal strips.
<b>Odour</b>	Odourless.
<b>Melting Point</b>	651 °C
<b>Boiling Point</b>	1100 °C
<b>Solubility in Water</b>	Insoluble in cold water. Very slightly soluble with decomposition in hot water.
<b>Solubility in Organic Solvents</b>	Soluble in ammonium salts.
<b>Specific Gravity</b>	1.738
<b>Vapour Pressure</b>	1 mm Hg @ 621 °C
<b>Volatile Component</b>	0%
<b>Flash Point</b>	636 °C.
<b>Flammability</b>	Flammable solid. Contact with moisture or water liberates flammable gases.
<b>Auto-Ignition Temperature</b>	473 - 510 °C.



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**Flammable Limits - Lower** 0.04%**Explosion Properties** Water used on molten magnesium will produce hydrogen gas and may cause an explosion. Fine dust dispersed in air in sufficient concentrations, and in the presence of an ignition source is a potential dust explosion hazard. Minimum explosible concentration 0.030 grams/litre.**Molecular Weight** 24.31**Solubility in other solvents (kg/m3)** Insoluble in chromium trioxides, and mineral acids, alkalis. Soluble in concentrated hydrogen fluoride.**Burning Characteristics** Ignites readily, burns with an intense white light and heat.

## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**Chemical Stability** Stable under ordinary conditions of use and storage. Slowly oxidizes in moist air.**Conditions to Avoid** Heat, flames, ignition sources, water or moisture, moist air, air and incompatibles.**Incompatible Materials** Water and acids will release hydrogen; reacts violently with halogens, chloromethane, carbonates, cyanides, chlorinated hydrocarbons, sulfates, and other metals. Incompatible with oxidizing agents, acid chlorides, bases and alcohols. Sensitive to air.**Hazardous Decomposition Products** Magnesium oxide, some metallic oxides. When exposed to acids and water, hydrogen will be produced.**Hazardous Reactions** Violent chemical reaction with oxidizing agents. Reacts with water to create hydrogen gas and heat. Must be kept dry. Reacts with acids to form hydrogen gas which is highly flammable and explosive. Reacts violently with halogens, chlorinated solvents, chloromethane. Magnesium forms hazardous or explosive mixtures with aluminium and potassium perchlorate; ammonium nitrate; barium nitrate, barium dioxide and zinc; beryllium oxide; boron phosphodiiodide; bromobenzyl trifluoride; cadmium cyanide; cadmium oxide; calcium carbide; carbonates; carbon tetrachloride; chlorine; chlorine trifluoride; chloroform; cobalt cyanide; copper cyanide; copper sulfate(anhydrous), ammonium nitrate, potassium chlorate and water; cupric oxide; cupric sulfate; fluorine; gold cyanide; hydrogen and calcium carbonate; hydrogen iodide; hydrogen peroxide; iodine; lead cyanide; mercuric oxide; mercury cyanide; methyl chloride; molybdenum trioxide; nickel cyanide; nitric acid; nitrogen dioxide; oxygen (liquid); performic acid; phosphates; potassium chlorate; potassium perchlorate; silver nitrate; silver oxide; sodium perchlorate; sodium peroxide; sodium peroxide and carbon dioxide; stannic oxide; sulfates; trichloroethylene; zinc cyanide; zinc oxide.  
**Hazardous Polymerization** Will not occur.

## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Inhalation** Inhalation of dusts or fumes may irritate the respiratory tract and may cause metal fume fever. Symptoms may include coughing, chest pain, fever, and leukocytosis.**Ingestion** Magnesium metal does not have well-characterized toxicity. May cause abdominal pain and diarrhoea.**Skin** Particles embedded in the skin may cause eruptions. Molten magnesium may cause serious skin burns.**Eye** High concentrations of dust may cause mechanical irritation. Watching a magnesium fire can cause eye injury.**Mutagenicity** No evidence of mutagenic properties.**Carcinogenicity** Not listed in the IARC Monographs.

## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Ecological Information** After reaction, harmful effect on aquatic organisms.**Acute Toxicity - Fish** The following applies to magnesium compounds in general: lethal for fish 100 mg/l.



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### 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

**Disposal Considerations**      Whatever cannot be saved for recovery or recycling should be disposed of according to relevant local, state and federal government regulations.

### 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

**Transport Information**      Dangerous Goods of Class 4.1 Flammable Solids, are incompatible in a placard load with any of the following: - Class 1, Class 2.1, Class 4.2, Class 5 and Class 7

**U.N. Number**                    1869

**Proper Shipping Name**        MAGNESIUM

**DG Class**                        4.1

**Hazchem Code**                 1Z

**Packaging Method**            3.8.4.1

**Packing Group**                III

**EPG Number**                  4A1

**IERG Number**                 26

### 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

**Regulatory Information**      Listed in the Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS).

**Poisons Schedule**            Not Scheduled

**Hazard Category**            Highly Flammable

### 16. OTHER INFORMATION

**Contact Person/Point**      Paul McCarthy Ph. (08) 8440 2000      **DISCLAIMER STATEMENT:**  
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in the Occupational Environment [NOHSC:1003(1995)]'.	
CAS No.	7439-95-4
Risk Phrases	15-17
Safety Phrases	43 - 7/8
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