

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

## 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product Name: Innershield® NR®-211-MP Product Size: 5/64 in

## Other means of identification

**SDS number:** 20000000133

## Recommended use and restriction on use

**Recommended use:** FCAW-S (Self-Shielded Flux Cored Arc Welding) **Restrictions on use:** Not known. Read this SDS before using this product.

## Manufacturer/Importer/Supplier/Distributor Information

## Manufacturer/Supplier:

The Lincoln Electric Company 22801 Saint Clair Avenue Cleveland, Ohio 44117 USA Phone: +1 (216) 481-8100

The Lincoln Electric Company of Canada LP 179 Wicksteed Avenue Toronto, Ontario M4G 2B9 CANADA Phone: +1 (416) 421-2600

## Safety Data Sheet Questions: SDS@lincolnelectric.com

Arc Welding Safety Information: www.lincolnelectric.com/safety

## 24-Hour Emergency Response Telephone Numbers:

Area	<u>Telephone</u>
USA/Canada/Mexico	+1 (888) 609-1762
Americas/Europe	+1 (216) 383-8962
Asia Pacific	+1 (216) 383-8966
Middle East/Africa	+1 (216) 383-8969

## 3E Company Access Code: 333988

## 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Classified according to the criteria of the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labeling of Chemicals (GHS), OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200) and the Canadian Controlled Products Regulations.

## Hazard Classification

Not classified as hazardous according to applicable GHS hazard classification criteria.



#### Label Elements

Hazard Symbol:	No symbol	
Signal Word:	No signal word.	
Hazard Statement	Not applicable	
Precautionary Statement	Not applicable	
Other hazards which do not result in GHS classification:	Electrical Shock can kill. If welding must be performed in damp locations or with wet clothing, on metal structures or when in cramped positions such as sitting, kneeling or lying, or if there is a high risk of unavoidable or accidental contact with work piece, use the following equipment: Semiautomatic DC Welder, DC Manual (Stick) Welder, or AC Welder with Reduced Voltage Control.	
	Arc rays can injure eyes and burn skin. Welding arc and sparks can ignite combustibles and flammable materials. Overexposure to welding fumes and gases can be hazardous. Read and understand the manufacturer's instructions, Safety Data Sheets and the precautionary labels before using this product. Refer to Section 8.	
Substance(s) formed under the	The welding fume produced from this welding electrode may contain the	

# Substance(s) formed under the conditions of use:

The welding fume produced from this welding electrode may contain the following constituent(s) and/or their complex metallic oxides as well as solid particles or other constituents from the consumables, base metal, or base metal coating not listed below:

Chemical Identity	CAS-No.
Carbon dioxide	124-38-9
Carbon monoxide	630-08-0
Nitrogen dioxide	10102-44-0
Ozone	10028-15-6
Manganese	7439-96-5
Barium and soluble compounds (as Ba)	7440-39-3



## 3. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

## **Reportable Hazardous Ingredients**

Chemical Identity	CAS number	Content in percent (%)*
Iron	7439-89-6	60 - 100%
Barium and soluble compounds (as Ba)	7440-39-3	1 - 5%
Aluminum and/or aluminum alloys (as Al)	7429-90-5	1 - 5%
Calcium fluoride	7789-75-5	1 - 5%
Portland cement	65997-15-1	0.5 - 5%
Manganese	7439-96-5	0.5 - 5%
Magnesium	7439-95-4	0.5 - 5%
Silicon	7440-21-3	0.1 - 1%

\* All concentrations are percent by weight unless ingredient is a gas. Gas concentrations are in percent by volume.

## **Composition Comments:**

The term "Hazardous Ingredients" should be interpreted as a term defined in Hazard Communication standards and does not necessarily imply the existence of a welding hazard. The product may contain additional nonhazardous ingredients or may form additional compounds under the condition of use. Refer to Sections 2 and 8 for more information.

## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Ingestion:	Unlikely due to form of product, except for granular materials. Avoid hand, clothing, food, and drink contact with metal fume or powder which can cause ingestion of particulate during hand to mouth activities such as drinking, eating, smoking, etc. If ingested, do not induce vomiting. Contact a poison control center. Unless the poison control center advises otherwise, wash out mouth thoroughly with water. If symptoms develop, seek medical attention at once.	
Inhalation:	Move to fresh air if breathing is difficult. If breathing has stopped, perform artificial respiration and obtain medical assistance at once.	
Skin Contact:	Remove contaminated clothing and wash the skin thoroughly with soap and water. For reddened or blistered skin, or thermal burns, obtain medical assistance at once.	
Eye contact:	Dust or fume from this product should be flushed from the eyes with copious amounts of clean, tepid water until transported to an emergency medical facility. Do not allow victim to rub or keep eyes tightly closed. Obtain medical assistance at once.	
	Arc rays can injure eyes. If exposed to arc rays, move victim to dark room, remove contact lenses as necessary for treatment, cover eyes with a padded dressing and rest. Obtain medical assistance if symptoms persist.	

## Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed



Short-term (acute) overexposure to welding fumes may result in discomfort such as metal fume fever, dizziness, nausea, or dryness or irritation of nose, throat, or eyes. May aggravate pre-existing respiratory problems (e.g. asthma, emphysema). Long-term (chronic) overexposure to welding fumes can lead to siderosis (iron deposits in lung), central nervous system effects, bronchitis and other pulmonary effects. Refer to Section 11 for more information.		
Welding hazards are complex and may include physical and health hazards such as but not limited to electric shock, physical strains, radiation burns (eye flash), thermal burns due to hot metal or spatter and potential health effects of overexposure to welding fume or dust. Refer to Section 11 for more information.		
attention and special treatment needed		
Treat symptomatically.		
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As shipped, this product is nonflammable. However, welding arc and sparks can ignite combustibles and flammable products. Read and understand American National Standard Z49.1, "Safety In Welding, Cutting and Allied Processes" and National Fire Protection Association NFPA 51B, "Standard for Fire Prevention During Welding, Cutting and Other Hot Work" before using this product.		
Suitable (and unsuitable) extinguishing media		
As shipped, the product will not burn. In case of fire in the surroundings: use appropriate extinguishing agent.		
None known.		

**Specific hazards arising from** Welding arc and sparks can ignite combustibles and flammable products. **the chemical:** 

## Special protective equipment and precautions for firefighters

Special fire fighting procedures:	Use standard firefighting procedures and consider the hazards of other involved materials.
Special protective equipment for fire-fighters:	Selection of respiratory protection for fire fighting: follow the general fire precautions indicated in the workplace. Self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective clothing must be worn in case of fire.



# 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures	If airborne dust and/or fume is present, use adequate engineering controls and, if needed, personal protection to prevent overexposure. Refer to recommendations in Section 8.
Methods and material for containment and cleaning up	Clean up spills immediately, observing precautions in the personal protective equipment in Section 8. Avoid generating dust. Prevent product from entering any drains, sewers or water sources. Refer to Section 13 for proper disposal.
Environmental Precautions:	Avoid release to the environment. Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so.

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Precautions for safe handling:	Keep formation of airborne dusts to a minimum. Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed.	
	Read and understand the manufacturer's instruction and the precautionary label on the product. Refer to Lincoln Safety Publications at www.lincolnelectric.com/safety. See American National Standard Z49.1, "Safety In Welding, Cutting and Allied Processes" published by the American Welding Society, http://pubs.aws.org and OSHA Publication 2206 (29CFR1910), U.S. Government Printing Office, www.gpo.gov.	
Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities:	Store in closed original container in a dry place. Store away from incompatible materials. Store in accordance with local/regional/national regulations.	



# 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

## **Control Parameters**

## **Occupational Exposure Limits: US**

Chemical Identity	Туре	Exposure Limit Values	Source
Iron	TWA	10 mg/m3	US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values
Barium and soluble compounds (as Ba) - as Ba	TWA	0.5 mg/m3	US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (12 2010)
Aluminum and/or aluminum alloys (as Al) - Respirable fraction.	TWA	1 mg/m3	US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (12 2010)
Aluminum and/or aluminum alloys (as Al) - Respirable dust as Al	PEL	5 mg/m3	US. OSHA Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants (29 CFR 1910.1000) (02 2006)
Aluminum and/or aluminum alloys (as Al) - Total dust as Al	PEL	15 mg/m3	US. OSHA Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants (29 CFR 1910.1000) (02 2006)
Aluminum and/or aluminum alloys (as Al) - Welding fume or pyrophoric powder as Al	REL	5 mg/m3	US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards (2005)
Aluminum and/or aluminum alloys (as Al) - Respirable.	REL	5 mg/m3	US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards (2005)
Aluminum and/or aluminum alloys (as Al) - Total	REL	10 mg/m3	US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards (2005)
Calcium fluoride - as F	TWA	2.5 mg/m3	US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (12 2010)
	PEL	2.5 mg/m3	US. OSHA Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants (29 CFR 1910.1000) (02 2006)
Calcium fluoride - Dust.	TWA	2.5 mg/m3	US. OSHA Table Z-2 (29 CFR 1910.1000) (02 2006)
Portland cement - Respirable fraction.	TWA	1 mg/m3	US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (12 2010)
Portland cement - Total dust.	PEL	15 mg/m3	US. OSHA Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants (29 CFR 1910.1000) (02 2006)
Portland cement - Respirable fraction.	PEL	5 mg/m3	US. OSHA Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants (29 CFR 1910.1000) (02 2006)
Portland cement	TWA	50 millions of particles per cubic foot of air	US. OSHA Table Z-3 (29 CFR 1910.1000) (2000)
Portland cement - Respirable.	REL	5 mg/m3	US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards (2005)
Portland cement - Total	REL	10 mg/m3	US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards (2005)
Manganese - Fume as Mn	Ceiling	5 mg/m3	US. OSHA Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants (29 CFR 1910.1000) (02 2006)
	REL	1 mg/m3	US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards (2005)
	STEL	3 mg/m3	US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards (2005)
Manganese - Inhalable fraction as Mn	TWA	0.1 mg/m3	US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (03 2014)
Manganese - Respirable fraction as Mn	TWA	0.02 mg/m3	US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (03 2014)
Magnesium	TWA	10 mg/m3	US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values
Silicon - Total dust.	PEL	15 mg/m3	US. OSHA Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants (29 CFR 1910.1000) (02 2006)
Silicon - Respirable fraction.	PEL	5 mg/m3	US. OSHA Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants (29 CFR 1910.1000) (02 2006)
Silicon - Respirable.	REL	5 mg/m3	US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical



			Hazards (2005)
Silicon - Total	REL	10 mg/m3	US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical
			Hazards (2005)

# **Occupational Exposure Limits: CANADA**

Chemical Identity	Туре	Exposure Limit Values	Source
Barium and soluble compounds (as Ba) - as Ba	TWA	0.5 mg/m3	Canada. Alberta OELs (Occupational Health & Safety Code, Schedule 1, Table 2) (07 2009)
	TWA	0.5 mg/m3	Canada. British Columbia OELs. (Occupational Exposure Limits for Chemical Substances, Occupational Health and Safety Regulation 296/97, as amended) (07 2007)
	TWA	0.5 mg/m3	Canada. Manitoba OELs (Reg. 217/2006, The Workplace Safety And Health Act) (03 2011)
	TWAEV	0.5 mg/m3	Canada. Ontario OELs. (Control of Exposure to Biological or Chemical Agents) (11 2010)
	8 HR ACL	0.5 mg/m3	Canada. Saskatchewan OELs (Occupational Health and Safety Regulations, 1996, Table 21) (05 2009)
	15 MIN ACL	1.5 mg/m3	Canada. Saskatchewan OELs (Occupational Health and Safety Regulations, 1996, Table 21) (05 2009)
Aluminum and/or aluminum alloys (as Al) - Pyrophoric powder as Al	TWA	5 mg/m3	Canada. Alberta OELs (Occupational Health & Safety Code, Schedule 1, Table 2) (07 2009)
Aluminum and/or aluminum alloys (as Al) - Dust.	TWA	10 mg/m3	Canada. Alberta OELs (Occupational Health & Safety Code, Schedule 1, Table 2) (07 2009)
Aluminum and/or aluminum alloys (as Al) - Respirable.	TWA	1 mg/m3	Canada. British Columbia OELs. (Occupational Exposure Limits for Chemical Substances, Occupational Health and Safety Regulation 296/97, as amended) (07 2007)
Aluminum and/or aluminum alloys (as Al) - Respirable fraction.	TWA	1 mg/m3	Canada. Manitoba OELs (Reg. 217/2006, The Workplace Safety And Health Act) (03 2011)
	TWAEV	1 mg/m3	Canada. Ontario OELs. (Control of Exposure to Biological or Chemical Agents) (11 2010)
Aluminum and/or aluminum alloys (as Al) - Pyrophoric powder as Al	8 HR ACL	5 mg/m3	Canada. Saskatchewan OELs (Occupational Health and Safety Regulations, 1996, Table 21) (05 2009)
Aluminum and/or aluminum alloys (as Al) - Dust as Al	8 HR ACL	10 mg/m3	Canada. Saskatchewan OELs (Occupational Health and Safety Regulations, 1996, Table 21) (05 2009)
Aluminum and/or aluminum alloys (as Al) - Pyrophoric powder as Al	15 MIN ACL	10 mg/m3	Canada. Saskatchewan OELs (Occupational Health and Safety Regulations, 1996, Table 21) (05 2009)
Aluminum and/or aluminum alloys (as Al) - Dust as Al	15 MIN ACL	20 mg/m3	Canada. Saskatchewan OELs (Occupational Health and Safety Regulations, 1996, Table 21) (05 2009)
Aluminum and/or aluminum alloys (as Al)	TWA	10 mg/m3	Canada. Quebec OELs. (Ministry of Labor - Regulation Respecting the Quality of the Work Environment) (12 2008)
Aluminum and/or aluminum alloys (as Al) - Welding fume. - as Al	TWA	5 mg/m3	Canada. Quebec OELs. (Ministry of Labor - Regulation Respecting the Quality of the Work Environment) (12 2008)
Aluminum and/or aluminum alloys (as Al) - as Al	TWA	5 mg/m3	Canada. Quebec OELs. (Ministry of Labor - Regulation Respecting the Quality of the Work Environment) (12 2008)
Calcium fluoride - as F	TWA	2.5 mg/m3	Canada. Alberta OELs (Occupational Health & Safety Code, Schedule 1, Table 2) (07 2009)



TWA	2.5 mg/m3	Canada. Alberta OELs (Occupational
		Health & Safety Code, Schedule 1, Table
		2) (07 2009)
TWA	2.5 mg/m3	Canada. British Columbia OELs.
10070	-	(Occupational Exposure Limits for
		Chemical Substances, Occupational
		Health and Safety Regulation 296/97, as
		amended) (07 2007)
TWA	2.5 mg/m3	Canada. Manitoba OELs (Reg. 217/2006,
		The Workplace Safety And Health Act)
		(03 2011)
TWAEV	2.5 mg/m3	Canada. Ontario OELs. (Control of
1007(20	-	Exposure to Biological or Chemical
		Agents) (11 2010)
8 HR ACL	2.5 mg/m3	Canada. Saskatchewan OELs
6 TH CAGE	-	(Occupational Health and Safety
		Regulations, 1996, Table 21) (05 2009)
15 MIN	5 mg/m3	Canada. Saskatchewan OELs
ACL	5	(Occupational Health and Safety
ACL		Regulations, 1996, Table 21) (05 2009)
TWA	2.5 mg/m3	Canada. Quebec OELs. (Ministry of Labor
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		Work Environment) (12 2008)

## **Occupational Exposure Limits: MEXICO**

Chemical Identity	Туре	Exposure Limit Values	Source
Aluminum and/or aluminum alloys (as Al) - Pyrophoric powder.	CPT	5 mg/m3	Mexico. Occupational Exposure Limit Values (03 2000)
Aluminum and/or aluminum alloys (as Al) - Dust.	CPT	10 mg/m3	Mexico. Occupational Exposure Limit Values (03 2000)
Aluminum and/or aluminum alloys (as Al) - Welding fume.	CPT	5 mg/m3	Mexico. Occupational Exposure Limit Values (03 2000)
Calcium fluoride - as F	CPT	2.5 mg/m3	Mexico. Occupational Exposure Limit Values (03 2000)
Portland cement	CTT	20 mg/m3	Mexico. Occupational Exposure Limit Values (03 2000)
	CPT	10 mg/m3	Mexico. Occupational Exposure Limit Values (03 2000)
Manganese - as Mn	CPT	0.2 mg/m3	Mexico. Occupational Exposure Limit Values (03 2000)
Manganese - Fume as Mn	CPT	1 mg/m3	Mexico. Occupational Exposure Limit Values (03 2000)
	CTT	3 mg/m3	Mexico. Occupational Exposure Limit Values (03 2000)
Silicon	CPT	10 mg/m3	Mexico. Occupational Exposure Limit Values (03 2000)
	CTT	20 mg/m3	Mexico. Occupational Exposure Limit Values (03 2000)

## **Biological Limit Values: US**

Chemical Identity	Exposure Limit Values	Source
Calcium fluoride (Fluoride: Sampling time: Prior to shift.)	2 mg/l (Urine)	ACGIH BEL (03 2013)
Calcium fluoride (Fluoride: Sampling time: End of shift.)	3 mg/l (Urine)	ACGIH BEL (03 2013)

# Biological Limit Values: MEXICO

	Chemical Identity	Exposure Limit Values	Source
	Calcium fluoride (fluorides:	3 mg/g (Creatinine in urine)	MX IBE (06 2012)
	Sampling time: Prior to shift.)		
	Calcium fluoride (fluorides:	10 mg/g (Creatinine in urine)	MX IBE (06 2012)
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Sampling time: End of shift.)

## Additional exposure limits under the conditions of use: US

Chemical Identity	Туре	Exposure Limit Values		Source
Carbon dioxide	TWA	5,000 ppm		US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (12 2010)
	STEL	30,000 ppm		US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (12 2010)
	PEL	5,000 ppm	9,000 mg/m3	US. OSHA Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants (29 CFR 1910.1000) (02 2006)
	STEL	30,000 ppm	54,000 mg/m3	US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards (2005)
	REL	5,000 ppm	9,000 mg/m3	US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards (2005)
Carbon monoxide	TWA	25 ppm		US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (12 2010)
	PEL	50 ppm	55 mg/m3	US. OSHA Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants (29 CFR 1910.1000) (02 2006)
	REL	35 ppm	40 mg/m3	US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards (2005)
	Ceil_Time	200 ppm	229 mg/m3	US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards (2005)
Nitrogen dioxide	TWA	0.2 ppm		US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (02 2012)
	Ceiling	5 ppm	9 mg/m3	US. OSHA Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants (29 CFR 1910.1000) (02 2006)
	STEL	1 ppm	1.8 mg/m3	US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards (2005)
Ozone	PEL	0.1 ppm	0.2 mg/m3	US. OSHA Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants (29 CFR 1910.1000) (02 2006)
	Ceil_Time	0.1 ppm	0.2 mg/m3	US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards (2005)
	TWA	0.05 ppm		US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (03 2014)
	TWA	0.20 ppm		US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (03 2014)
	TWA	0.10 ppm		US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (03 2014)
	TWA	0.08 ppm		US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (03 2014)
Manganese - Fume as Mn	Ceiling		5 mg/m3	US. OSHA Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants (29 CFR 1910.1000) (02 2006)
	REL		1 mg/m3	US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards (2005)
	STEL		3 mg/m3	US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards (2005)
Manganese - Inhalable fraction as Mn	TWA		0.1 mg/m3	US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (03 2014)
Manganese - Respirable fraction as Mn	TWA		0.02 mg/m3	US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (03 2014)
Barium and soluble compounds (as Ba) - as Ba	TWA		0.5 mg/m3	US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (12 2010)

# Additional exposure limits under the conditions of use: CANADA

Chemical Identity	Туре	Exposure Lin	nit Values	Source
Carbon dioxide	STEL	30,000 ppm	54,000 mg/m3	Canada. Alberta OELs (Occupational Health & Safety Code, Schedule 1, Table 2) (07 2009)



	TWA	5,000 ppm	9,000 mg/m3	Canada. Alberta OELs (Occupational Health & Safety Code, Schedule 1, Table
	TWA	5,000 ppm		2) (07 2009) Canada. British Columbia OELs. (Occupational Exposure Limits for Chemical Substances, Occupational Health and Safety Regulation 296/97, as amended) (07 2007)
	STEL	15,000 ppm		Canada. British Columbia OELs. (Occupational Exposure Limits for Chemical Substances, Occupational Health and Safety Regulation 296/97, as amended) (07 2007)
	TWA	5,000 ppm		Canada. Manitoba OELs (Reg. 217/2006, The Workplace Safety And Health Act) (03 2011)
	STEL	30,000 ppm		Canada. Manitoba OELs (Reg. 217/2006, The Workplace Safety And Health Act) (03 2011)
	STEV	30,000 ppm		Canada. Ontario OELs. (Control of Exposure to Biological or Chemical Agents) (11 2010)
	TWAEV	5,000 ppm		Canada. Ontario OELs. (Control of Exposure to Biological or Chemical Agents) (11 2010)
	8 HR ACL	5,000 ppm		Canada. Saskatchewan OELs (Occupational Health and Safety Regulations, 1996, Table 21) (05 2009)
	15 MIN ACL	30,000 ppm		Canada. Saskatchewan OELs (Occupational Health and Safety Regulations, 1996, Table 21) (05 2009)
	TWA	5,000 ppm	9,000 mg/m3	Canada. Quebec OELs. (Ministry of Labo - Regulation Respecting the Quality of the Work Environment) (12 2008)
	STEL	30,000 ppm	54,000 mg/m3	Canada. Quebec OELs. (Ministry of Labo - Regulation Respecting the Quality of the Work Environment) (12 2008)
Carbon monoxide	TWA	25 ppm	29 mg/m3	Canada. Alberta OELs (Occupational Health & Safety Code, Schedule 1, Table 2) (07 2009)
	TWA	25 ppm		Canada. British Columbia OELs. (Occupational Exposure Limits for Chemical Substances, Occupational Health and Safety Regulation 296/97, as amended) (07 2007)
	STEL	100 ppm		Canada. British Columbia OELs. (Occupational Exposure Limits for Chemical Substances, Occupational Health and Safety Regulation 296/97, as amended) (07 2007)
	TWA	25 ppm		Canada. Manitoba OELs (Reg. 217/2006 The Workplace Safety And Health Act) (03 2011)
	STEV	100 ppm		Canada. Ontario OELs. (Control of Exposure to Biological or Chemical Agents) (07 2010)
	TWAEV	25 ppm		Canada. Ontario OELs. (Control of Exposure to Biological or Chemical Agents) (07 2010)
	8 HR ACL	25 ppm		Canada. Saskatchewan OELs (Occupational Health and Safety Regulations, 1996, Table 21) (05 2009)
	15 MIN ACL	190 ppm		Canada. Saskatchewan OELs (Occupational Health and Safety Regulations, 1996, Table 21) (05 2009)
	TWA	35 ppm	40 mg/m3	Canada. Quebec OELs. (Ministry of Labo - Regulation Respecting the Quality of the Work Environment) (12 2008)
	STEL	200 ppm	230 mg/m3	Canada. Quebec OELs. (Ministry of Labo



				<ul> <li>Regulation Respecting the Quality of the Work Environment) (12 2008)</li> </ul>
Nitrogen dioxide	STEL	5 ppm	9.4 mg/m3	Canada. Alberta OELs (Occupational Health & Safety Code, Schedule 1, Table 2) (07 2009)
	TWA	3 ppm	5.6 mg/m3	Canada. Alberta OELs (Occupational Health & Safety Code, Schedule 1, Table 2) (07 2009)
	CEILING	1 ppm		Canada. British Columbia OELs. (Occupational Exposure Limits for Chemical Substances, Occupational Health and Safety Regulation 296/97, as amended) (07 2007)
	TWA	0.2 ppm		Canada. Manitoba OELs (Reg. 217/2006, The Workplace Safety And Health Act) (03 2012)
	STEV	5 ppm		Canada. Ontario OELs. (Control of Exposure to Biological or Chemical Agents) (11 2010)
	TWAEV	3 ppm		Canada. Ontario OELs. (Control of Exposure to Biological or Chemical Agents) (11 2010)
	8 HR ACL	3 ppm		Canada. Saskatchewan OELs (Occupational Health and Safety Regulations, 1996, Table 21) (05 2009)
	15 MIN ACL	5 ppm		Canada. Saskatchewan OELs (Occupational Health and Safety Regulations, 1996, Table 21) (05 2009)
	TWA	3 ppm	5.6 mg/m3	Canada. Quebec OELs. (Ministry of Labo - Regulation Respecting the Quality of the Work Environment) (12 2008)
Ozone	STEL	0.3 ppm	0.6 mg/m3	Canada. Alberta OELs (Occupational Health & Safety Code, Schedule 1, Table 2) (07 2009)
	TWA	0.1 ppm	0.2 mg/m3	Canada. Alberta OELs (Occupational Health & Safety Code, Schedule 1, Table 2) (07 2009)
	TWA	0.05 ppm		Canada. British Columbia OELs. (Occupational Exposure Limits for Chemical Substances, Occupational Health and Safety Regulation 296/97, as amended) (07 2007)
	TWA	0.1 ppm		Canada. British Columbia OELs. (Occupational Exposure Limits for Chemical Substances, Occupational Health and Safety Regulation 296/97, as amended) (07 2007)
	TWA	0.08 ppm		Canada. British Columbia OELs. (Occupational Exposure Limits for Chemical Substances, Occupational Health and Safety Regulation 296/97, as amended) (07 2007)
	TWA	0.2 ppm		Canada. British Columbia OELs. (Occupational Exposure Limits for Chemical Substances, Occupational Health and Safety Regulation 296/97, as amended) (07 2007)
	TWAEV	0.1 ppm	0.2 mg/m3	Canada. Ontario OELs. (Control of Exposure to Biological or Chemical Agents) (07 2010)
	STEV	0.3 ppm	0.6 mg/m3	Canada. Ontario OELs. (Control of Exposure to Biological or Chemical Agents) (07 2010)
	15 MIN ACL	0.15 ppm		Canada. Saskatchewan OELs (Occupational Health and Safety Regulations, 1996, Table 21) (05 2009)
	8 HR ACL	0.05 ppm		Canada. Saskatchewan OELs (Occupational Health and Safety Regulations, 1996, Table 21) (05 2009)

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	CEILING	0.1 ppm	0.2 mg/m3	Canada. Quebec OELs. (Ministry of Labor - Regulation Respecting the Quality of the Work Environment) (12 2008)
	TWA	0.20 ppm		Canada. Manitoba OELs (Reg. 217/2006, The Workplace Safety And Health Act) (03 2014)
	TWA	0.05 ppm		Canada. Manitoba OELs (Reg. 217/2006, The Workplace Safety And Health Act) (03 2014)
	TWA	0.08 ppm		Canada. Manitoba OELs (Reg. 217/2006, The Workplace Safety And Health Act) (03 2014)
	TWA	0.10 ppm		Canada. Manitoba OELs (Reg. 217/2006, The Workplace Safety And Health Act) (03 2014)
Manganese - as Mn	TWA		0.2 mg/m3	Canada. Alberta OELs (Occupational Health & Safety Code, Schedule 1, Table 2) (07 2009)
	TWA		0.2 mg/m3	Canada. British Columbia OELs. (Occupational Exposure Limits for Chemical Substances, Occupational Health and Safety Regulation 296/97, as amended) (07 2007)
	TWAEV		0.2 mg/m3	Canada. Ontario OELs. (Control of Exposure to Biological or Chemical Agents) (11 2010)
	8 HR ACL		0.2 mg/m3	Canada. Saskatchewan OELs (Occupational Health and Safety Regulations, 1996, Table 21) (05 2009)
	15 MIN ACL		0.6 mg/m3	Canada. Saskatchewan OELs (Occupational Health and Safety Regulations, 1996, Table 21) (05 2009)
Manganese - Fume as Mn	TWA		1 mg/m3	Canada. Quebec OELs. (Ministry of Labor - Regulation Respecting the Quality of the Work Environment) (12 2008)
Manganese - Dust as Mn	TWA		5 mg/m3	Canada. Quebec OELs. (Ministry of Labor - Regulation Respecting the Quality of the Work Environment) (12 2008)
Manganese - Fume as Mn	STEL		3 mg/m3	Canada. Quebec OELs. (Ministry of Labor - Regulation Respecting the Quality of the Work Environment) (12 2008)
Manganese - Respirable fraction as Mn	TWA		0.02 mg/m3	Canada. Manitoba OELs (Reg. 217/2006, The Workplace Safety And Health Act) (03 2014)
Manganese - Inhalable fraction as Mn	TWA		0.1 mg/m3	Canada. Manitoba OELs (Reg. 217/2006, The Workplace Safety And Health Act) (03 2014)
Barium and soluble compounds (as Ba) - as Ba	TWA		0.5 mg/m3	Canada. Alberta OELs (Occupational Health & Safety Code, Schedule 1, Table 2) (07 2009)
	TWA		0.5 mg/m3	Canada. British Columbia OELs. (Occupational Exposure Limits for Chemical Substances, Occupational Health and Safety Regulation 296/97, as amended) (07 2007)
	TWA		0.5 mg/m3	Canada. Manitoba OELs (Reg. 217/2006, The Workplace Safety And Health Act) (03 2011)
	TWAEV		0.5 mg/m3	Canada. Ontario OELs. (Control of Exposure to Biological or Chemical Agents) (11 2010)
	8 HR ACL		0.5 mg/m3	Canada. Saskatchewan OELs (Occupational Health and Safety Regulations, 1996, Table 21) (05 2009)
	15 MIN ACL		1.5 mg/m3	Canada. Saskatchewan OELs (Occupational Health and Safety Regulations, 1996, Table 21) (05 2009)



dditional exposure limits under the conditions of use: MEXICO					
Chemical Identity	Туре	Exposure Li	mit Values	Source	
Carbon dioxide	CPT	5,000 ppm	9,000 mg/m3	Mexico. Occupational Exposure Limit Values (03 2000)	
	CTT	15,000 ppm	27,000 mg/m3	Mexico. Occupational Exposure Limit Values (03 2000)	
Carbon monoxide	CTT	400 ppm	400 mg/m3	Mexico. Occupational Exposure Limit Values (03 2000)	
	CPT	50 ppm	55 mg/m3	Mexico. Occupational Exposure Limit Values (03 2000)	
Nitrogen dioxide	CTT	5 ppm	10 mg/m3	Mexico. Occupational Exposure Limit Values (03 2000)	
	CPT	3 ppm	6 mg/m3	Mexico. Occupational Exposure Limit Values (03 2000)	
Ozone	Р	0.1 ppm	0.2 mg/m3	Mexico. Occupational Exposure Limit Values (03 2000)	
Manganese - as Mn	CPT		0.2 mg/m3	Mexico. Occupational Exposure Limit Values (03 2000)	
Manganese - Fume as Mn	CPT		1 mg/m3	Mexico. Occupational Exposure Limit Values (03 2000)	
	CTT		3 mg/m3	Mexico. Occupational Exposure Limit Values (03 2000)	

# Additional exposure limits under the conditions of use: MEXICO

# **Appropriate Engineering**

Controls

**Ventilation:** Use enough ventilation, local exhaust at the arc, or both to keep the fumes and gases from the worker's breathing zone and the general area. Train the welder to keep his head out of the fumes. **Keep exposure as low as possible.** 

## Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

General information:	Exposure Guidelines: Threshold Limit Values (TLVs) and Biological Exposure Indices (BEIs) are values published by the American Conference of Government Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH). ACGIH Statement of Positions Regarding the TLVs® and BEIs® states that the TLV-TWA should be used as a guide in the control of health hazards and should not be used to indicate a fine line between safe and dangerous exposures. See Section 10 for information on potential fume constituents of health interest. Threshold Limit Values are figures published by the American Conference of Government Industrial Hygienists. Maximum Fume Exposure Guideline <sup>™</sup> (MFEG) <sup>™</sup> for this product (based on content of Manganese) is 1.8 mg/m3. This exposure guideline is calculated using the most conservative value of the ACGIH TLV or OSHA PEL for the stated substance.
Eye/face protection:	Wear helmet or use face shield with filter lens shade number 12 or darker for open arc processes. No specific lens shade recommendation for submerged arc processes. Shield others by providing screens and flash goggles.
Skin Protection Hand Protection:	Wear protective gloves. Suitable gloves can be recommended by the glove supplier.
Other:	<b>Protective Clothing:</b> Wear hand, head, and body protection which help to prevent injury from radiation, sparks and electrical shock. See Z49.1. At a

	minimum this includes welder's gloves and a protective face shield, and may include arm protectors, aprons, hats, shoulder protection, as well as dark substantial clothing. Wear dry gloves free of holes or split seams. Train the welder not to permit electrically live parts or electrodes to contact skin or clothing or gloves if they are wet. Insulate yourself from the work piece and ground using dry plywood, rubber mats or other dry insulation.
Respiratory Protection:	Keep your head out of fumes. Use enough ventilation and local exhaust to keep fumes and gases from your breathing zone and the general area. An approved respirator should be used unless exposure assessments are below applicable exposure limits.
Hygiene measures:	Do not eat, drink or smoke when using the product. Always observe good personal hygiene measures, such as washing after handling the material and before eating, drinking, and/or smoking. Routinely wash work clothing and protective equipment to remove contaminants.
	Determine the composition and quantity of fumes and gases to which workers are exposed by taking an air sample from inside the welder's helmet if worn or in the worker's breathing zone. Improve ventilation if exposures are not below limits. See ANSI/AWS F1.1, F1.2, F1.3 and F1.5, available from the American Welding Society, www.aws.org.

# 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance:	Cored welding wire
Physical state:	Solid
Form:	Solid
Color:	No data available.
Odor:	No data available.
Odor threshold:	No data available.
pH:	Not applicable
Melting point/freezing point:	No data available.
Initial boiling point and boiling range:	No data available.
Flash Point:	Not applicable
Evaporation rate:	Not applicable
Flammability (solid, gas):	No data available.
Upper/lower limit on flammability or explosive	ve limits
Flammability limit - upper (%):	No data available.
Flammability limit - lower (%):	No data available.
Explosive limit - upper (%):	No data available.
Explosive limit - lower (%):	No data available.
Vapor pressure:	Not applicable
Vapor density:	Not applicable
Relative density:	No data available.
Solubility(ies)	
Solubility in water:	No data available.
Solubility (other):	No data available.
Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water): SDS_North America - 200000000133	No data available.



Auto-ignition temperature:	No data available.
Decomposition temperature:	No data available.
Viscosity:	Not applicable

# 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity:	The product is non-reactive under normal conditions of use, storage and transport.
Chemical Stability:	Material is stable under normal conditions.
Possibility of Hazardous Reactions:	No data available.
Conditions to Avoid:	Avoid heat or contamination.
Incompatible Materials:	No data available.
Hazardous Decomposition Products:	Welding fumes and gases cannot be classified simply. The composition and quantity of both are dependent upon the metal being welded, the process, procedure and electrodes used. Other conditions which also influence the composition and quantity of the fumes and gases to which workers may be exposed include: coatings on the metal being welded (such as paint, plating, or galvanizing), the number of welders and the volume of the worker area, the quality and amount of ventilation, the position of the welder's head with respect to the fume plume, as well as the presence of contaminants in the atmosphere (such as chlorinated hydrocarbon vapors from cleaning and degreasing activities.)
	When the electrode is consumed, the fume and gas decomposition products generated are different in percent and form from the ingredients listed in Section 3. Decomposition products of normal operation include those originating from the volatilization, reaction, or oxidation of the materials shown in Section 3, plus those from the base metal and coating, etc., as noted above. Reasonably expected fume constituents produced during arc welding include the oxides of iron, manganese and other metals present in the welding consumable or base metal. Hexavalent chromium compounds may be in the welding fume of consumables or base metals which contain chromium. Gaseous and particulate fluoride may be in the welding fume of consumables which contain fluoride. Gaseous reaction products may include carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide. Ozone and nitrogen oxides may be formed by the radiation from the arc.



# 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

#### Information on likely routes of exposure Ingestion: Health

Ingestion:	Health injuries from ingestion are not known or expected under normal use.
Inhalation:	Potential chronic health hazards related to the use of welding consumables are most applicable to the inhalation route of exposure. Refer to Inhalation statements in Section 11.
Skin Contact:	Arc rays can burn skin. Skin cancer has been reported.
Eye contact:	Arc rays can injure eyes.

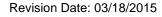
## Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics

Inhalation:	Short-term (acute) overexposure to welding fumes may result in discomfort such as metal fume fever, dizziness, nausea, or dryness or irritation of nose, throat, or eyes. May aggravate pre-existing respiratory problems (e.g. asthma, emphysema). Long-term (chronic) overexposure to welding fumes can lead to siderosis (iron deposits in lung), central nervous system offects, bronchitis and other pulmonary offects.
	effects, bronchitis and other pulmonary effects.

## Information on toxicological effects

## Acute toxicity (list all possible routes of exposure)

Oral Product:	Not classified
<b>Specified substance(s):</b> Iron Barium and soluble compounds (as Ba)	LD 50 (Rat): 98.6 g/kg LD 50 (Rat): 630 mg/kg
Calcium fluoride	LD 50 (Rat): 4,250 mg/kg
Dermal Product:	Not classified
Inhalation Product: Specified substance(s):	Not classified
Aluminum and/or aluminum alloys (as Al)	LC 50 (Rat, 1 h): 7.6 mg/l
Repeated Dose Toxicity Product:	Not classified
Skin Corrosion/Irritation Product:	Not classified
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritatio Product:	on Not classified
Respiratory or Skin Sensitization Product:	Not classified
Carcinogenicity Product:	Arc rays: Skin cancer has been reported.
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IARC Monographs on the Evaluation of Carcinogenic Risks to Humans: No carcinogenic components identified US. National Toxicology Program (NTP) Report on Carcinogens: No carcinogenic components identified

US. OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1050):

No carcinogenic components identified

## Germ Cell Mutagenicity

In vitro Product:	Not classified
In vivo Product:	Not classified
Reproductive Toxicity Product:	Not classified
Specific Target Orga Product:	n Toxicity - Single Exposure Not classified
Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Repeated Exposure Product: Not classified	
Aspiration Hazard Product:	Not classified

## Additional toxicological Information under the conditions of use:

# Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics under the condition of use Inhalation:

Specified substance(s): Manganese	Overexposure to manganese fumes may affect the brain and central nervous system, resulting in poor coordination, difficulty speaking, and arm or leg tremor. This condition can be irreversible.
Barium and soluble compounds (as Ba)	Overexposure to soluble barium compounds may cause severe stomach pain, slow pulse rate, irregular heartbeat, convulsions, and muscle spasms.

## Additional toxicological Information under the conditions of use:

#### Acute toxicity

Oral Specified substance(s): Barium and soluble compounds (as Ba)	LD 50 (Rat): 630 mg/kg
Inhalation Specified substance(s): Carbon dioxide Carbon monoxide	LC Lo (Human, 5 min): 90000 LC 50 (Rat, 4 h): 1,300 mg/l

LC 50 (Rat, 4 h): 88

LC Lo (Human, 30 min): 50

#### Other effects:

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Nitrogen dioxide



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Specified substance(s): Barium and soluble

compounds (as Ba)

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Other effects: Organic polymers may be used in the manufacture of various welding consumables. Overexposure to their decomposition byproducts may result in a condition known as polymer fume fever. Polymer fume fever usually occurs within 4 to 8 hours of exposure with the presentation of flu like symptoms, including mild pulmonary irritation with or without an increase in body temperature. Signs of exposure can include an increase in white blood cell count. Resolution of symptoms typically occurs quickly, usually not lasting longer than 48 hours.

# **12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Ecotoxicity Acute hazards to the aquatic e	environment:
Fish Product: Specified substance(s): Aluminum and/or aluminum alloys (as Al)	Not classified. LC 50 (Grass carp, white amur (Ctenopharyngodon idella), 96 h): 0.21 - 0.31 mg/l
Aquatic Invertebrates Product: Specified substance(s): Manganese	Not classified. EC50 (Water flea (Daphnia magna), 48 h): 40 mg/l
Chronic hazards to the aquation	environment:
Fish Product:	Not classified.
Aquatic Invertebrates Product:	Not classified.
Toxicity to Aquatic Plants Product:	Not classified.
Persistence and Degradability	
Biodegradation Product:	No data available.
Bioaccumulative Potential Bioconcentration Factor (BC Product:	F) No data available.
Mobility in Soil:	No data available.
Other Adverse Effects:	Harmful to aquatic organisms.



# **13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

General information:	The generation of waste should be avoided or minimized whenever possible. When practical, recycle in an environmentally acceptable, regulatory compliant manner. Dispose of non-recyclable products in accordance with all applicable Federal, State, Provincial, and Local requirements.
Disposal Instructions:	Disposal of this product may be regulated as a Hazardous Waste. The welding consumable and/or by-product from the welding process (including, but not limited to slag, dust, etc.) may contain levels of leachable heavy metals such as Barium or Chromium. Prior to disposal, a representative sample must be analyzed in accordance with US EPA's Toxicity Characteristic Leaching Procedure (TCLP) to determine if any constituents exist above regulated threshold levels. Discard any product, residue, disposable container, or liner in an environmentally acceptable manner according to Federal, State and Local Regulations. Discharge, treatment, or disposal may be subject to national, state, or local laws.

# **14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

# DOT

UN Number: UN Proper Shipping Name: Transport Hazard Class(es) Class: Label(s): Packing Group: Marine Pollutant:	NOT DG REGULATED NR – – Not regulated.
Special precautions for user: <b>IMDG</b> UN Number: UN Proper Shipping Name: Transport Hazard Class(es) Class: Label(s): EmS No.:	– NOT DG REGULATED NR –
Packing Group: Marine Pollutant: Special precautions for user:	– Not regulated. –
IATA UN Number: Proper Shipping Name: Transport Hazard Class(es): Class: Label(s): Packing Group: Environmental Hazards Special precautions for user: Other information	NOT DG REGULATED NR - Not regulated. -

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Passenger and cargo air Cargo aircraft only:	craft: Allowed. Allowed.	
TDG		
UN Number:		
UN Proper Shipping Name:	NOT DG REGULATED	
Transport Hazard Class(es)		
Class:	NR	
Label(s):	-	
Packing Group:	-	
Marine Pollutant:	Not regulated.	
Special precautions for user:	-	
15. REGULATORY INFORMATI	ON	
Canadian Controlled Products Regulations:	This product has been classified according to the hazard criteria of the Canadian Controlled Products Regulations, Section 33, and the MSDS contains all required information.	
US Federal Regulations		

## US. OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1050)

None present or none present in regulated quantities.

## CERCLA Hazardous Substance List (40 CFR 302.4):

Manganese

Reportable quantity: Included in the regulation but with no data values. See regulation for further details.

## Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA)

## Hazard categories

X Acute (Immediate) X Chronic	(Delayed) Fire Reactive Pressure Generating
SARA 302 Extremely Hazardous None present or none pre	s Substance esent in regulated quantities.
SARA 304 Emergency Release	Notification
Chemical Identity	RQ
Manganese	Included in the regulation but with no data values. See regulation for further details.



SARA 311/312 Hazardous Chemical		
Chemical Identity	Threshold Planning Quantity	
Iron	10000 lbs	
Barium and soluble	10000 lbs	
compounds (as Ba)		
Aluminum and/or	10000 lbs	
aluminum alloys (as Al)		
Calcium fluoride	10000 lbs	
Portland cement	10000 lbs	
Manganese	10000 lbs	
Magnesium	10000 lbs	
Silicon	10000 lbs	

## SARA 313 (TRI Reporting)

Chemical Identity	Reporting threshold for other users	Reporting threshold for manufacturing and processing
Barium and soluble	10000 lbs	25000 lbs.
compounds (as Ba)		
Aluminum and/or	10000 lbs	25000 lbs.
aluminum alloys (as Al)		

## Clean Water Act Section 311 Hazardous Substances (40 CFR 117.3)

None present or none present in regulated quantities.

# Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112(r) Accidental Release Prevention (40 CFR 68.130):

None present or none present in regulated quantities.

## **US State Regulations**

## **US. California Proposition 65**

No ingredient regulated by CA Prop 65 present.

**WARNING:** This product contains or produces a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer and birth defects (or other reproductive harm). (California Health & Safety Code Section 25249.5 et seq.)

## US. New Jersey Worker and Community Right-to-Know Act

Barium and solubleListedcompounds (as Ba)IAluminum and/or aluminumListedalloys (as Al)ICalcium fluorideListed

## **US. Massachusetts RTK - Substance List**

Barium and soluble Listed compounds (as Ba) Aluminum and/or Listed aluminum alloys (as Al)

## US. Pennsylvania RTK - Hazardous Substances

Listed
Listed
Listed





<b>US. Rhode Island RTK</b> Barium and soluble compounds (as Ba) Aluminum and/or aluminum alloys (as Al)	Listed
	Listed
Inventory Status: Australia AICS:	On or in compliance with the inventory
Canada DSL Inventory List:	On or in compliance with the inventory
EINECS, ELINCS or NLP:	On or in compliance with the inventory
Japan (ENCS) List:	One or more components are not listed or are exempt from listing.
Korea Existing Chemicals Inv. (KECI):	On or in compliance with the inventory
Canada NDSL Inventory:	One or more components are not listed or are exempt from listing.
Philippines PICCS:	One or more components are not listed or are exempt from listing.
US TSCA Inventory:	On or in compliance with the inventory
New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals:	On or in compliance with the inventory
Japan ISHL Listing:	One or more components are not listed or are exempt from listing.
Japan Pharmacopoeia Listing:	One or more components are not listed or are exempt from listing.
China Inv. Existing Chemical Substances:	One or more components are not listed or are exempt from listing.

## **16. OTHER INFORMATION**

## **Definitions:**

The Maximum Fume Exposure Guideline<sup>™</sup> (MFEG)<sup>™</sup> is a guideline limit for total welding fume exposure for a specific consumable product which may be used by employers to manage worker exposure to welding fume where that product is used. The MFEG<sup>™</sup> is an estimate of the level of total welding fume exposure for a given product above which the exposure limit for one of the fume constituents may be exceeded. The exposure limits referenced are the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH) Threshold Limit Value (TLV®) and the U.S. OSHA Permissible Exposure Limit (PEL) whichever limit is lower. The MFEG<sup>™</sup> never exceedes 5 mg/m<sup>3</sup> which is the maximum recommended exposure limit for total welding fume. The MFEG<sup>™</sup> is intended to serve as a general guideline to assist in the management of workplace exposure to welding fume and does not replace the regular measurement and analysis of worker exposure to individual welding fume constituents.

**The Maximum Dust Exposure Guideline**<sup>™</sup> **(MDEG)**<sup>™</sup> is provided to assist with the management of workplace exposures where granular solid welding products or other materials are being utilized. It is derived from relevant compositional data and estimates the lowest level of total airborne dust exposure, for a given product, at which some specific constituent might potentially exceed its individual exposure limit. The specific exposure limits



referenced are the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH) Threshold Limit Value (TLV®) and the U. S. OSHA Permissible Exposure Limit (PEL), which ever value is the lowest. The MDEG<sup>™</sup> is never greater than 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup> as this is the airborne exposure guideline for total particulate (total dust). **The MDEG<sup>™</sup>** is intended to serve as a general guideline to assist in the management of workplace exposure and does not replace the regular measurement and analysis of worker exposure to individual airborne dust constituents.

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