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MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

SECTION 1 - IDENTIFICATION

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Manufacturer/Supplier Name: **HSM Wire International Inc**

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SECTION 2 - *HAZARDOUS*INGREDIENTS

IMPORTANT This section covers the materials contained in the product as shipped. The fumes and gases produced during welding are covered by section 5.

INGREDIENT	CAS NO	PEL(1)	TLV (2)	INGREDIENT	CAS NO	PEL(1)	TLV (2)
Aluminum (Al)	7429-90-5	None	10.0	Molybdenum(Mo)	7439-98-7	15.0	10.0
Carbon (C)	7440-44-0	5.0	None	Nickel (Ni)*	7440-02-0	1.0	1.0
Chromium (Cr)*	7440-47-3	1.0	.50	Silicon (Si)	7440-21-3	None	10.0
Cobalt (Co)*	7440-48-4	.10	1.0	Tantalum (Ta)	7440-25-7	None	5/10
Columbium (Cb)	7440-03-1	None	None	Tin (Sn)	7440-31-5	2.0	2.0
Copper (Cu)	7440-50-8	.10/1.0	.20/1.0	Titanium (Ti)	7440-32-6	15.0	10.0
Iron (Fe)	1309-37-1	10.0	5.0	Tungsten (W)	7440-33-7	None	5.0
Lead (Pb)	7439-92-1	.15	.05	Vanadium (V)	7440-62-2	1.0/.50	.05
Manganese(Mn)	7439-96-5	5.0	5.0/1.0	Zinc Oxide (Zn)	1314-13-2	5.0	5.0
Magnesium (Mg)	1309-48-4	15.0	10.0	Zirconium	7440-67-6	5.0	5.0

SECTION 2A - TRADENAME AND NOMINAL CHEMICAL COMPOSITION

*CARCINOGENIC

PRODUCT NAME	Co*	Fe	Ni*
KOVAR	17.0	Bal.	29.20

*Nickel contains trace amounts of cobalt unless listed in chemical composition.

SECTION 3 - PHYSICAL DATA

Products are solid metals shaped as wire of various diameters, and forms.

SECTION 4- FIRE AND EXPLOSION DATA

(Nonflammable) Welding arc and sparks can ignite combustibles. Refer to American National Standard Z49.1, Safety in Welding and Cutting, published by the American Welding Society, P.O. Box 351040, Miami, FL 33135, for fire prevention and protection information during the use of welding and allied procedures.

NOTES:* As defined by OSHA (29CFR 1910.1200) or certain procedures

1. Permissible Exposure Limit - (mg/m³)-OSHA (29CFR 1910).

2. Threshold Limit Value - (9mg/m³)-(American Conference of Governmental industrial Hygienists current as of MSDS revision date).

SECTION 5- HEALTH HAZARD INFORMATION

EXPOSURE LIMITS: Section 2 lists specific hazardous ingredients and exposure limits. Section 6 lists exposure limits for hazardous reaction products that might be forming by welding.

IMPORTANT - Determine actual exposure by industrial hygiene monitoring.

POSSIBLE SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS OF EXPOSURE TO DUST, WELDING FUME AND GASES

SHORT TERM EXPOSURE: Metallic taste, nausea, tightness of chest; fever; irritation of eyes, nose, throat and skin; loss of consciousness/death due to welding gases or lack of oxygen.

LONG TERM EXPOSURE: Adverse effects may result from long time exposure to welding fume, gases, or dusts. These effects may include skin sensitization, neurological damage, and respiratory disease such as bronchial asthma, lung fibrosis or pneumoconiosis. Nickel and chromium must be considered possible carcinogens under OSHA (29CFR 1910.12000.) The International Agency for Research on cancer has indicated that nickel and certain nickel /Chromium compounds are probably carcinogenic for humans, but that the specific compounds which may be carcinogenic cannot be precisely. This conclusion was based on experience in certain nickel refining operations. Chromium has also been listed by IARC because of "sufficient evidence for the carcinogenicity of chromium and certain chromium compounds." The studies forming the basis for the conclusion were from operations different from the production or welding of nickel and chromium alloys. Recent epidemiological studies of workers melting and working alloys containing Nickel/Chromium have found no increase risk of cancer. Nevertheless, exposure **MUST** be maintained below the levels specified in section 2, and section 6.

AGGRAVATION: pre-existing respiratory or allergic conditions may occur in some workers.

EMERGENCY AND FIRST AID: Remove from exposure and obtain prompt medical attention. If victim is unconscious, administer oxygen. If not breathing, resuscitate immediately.

SECTION 6- REACTIVITY INFORMATION

HAZARDOUS REACTION PRODUCTS: Fumes and gases from welding cannot be classified simply. The composition and quantity of both depend on the metal being welded, the procedures, and electrodes used. The constituents of the fume are generally different from the ingredients listed in Section 2 and may include oxides of the metals, chromates, fluorides, and complex metallics. The gases may include carbon monoxide, ozone, and oxides of nitrogen. Chlorinated solvents may be decomposed by the arc into toxic gases such as phosgene.

The following exposure limits apply to those fumes and gases which may be found in the welding environment.

SUBSTANCE	PEL	TLV	SUBSTANCE	PEL	TLV
Aluminum fume (AL)	None	10.0	Magnesium Oxide Fume (Mg)	15.0	10.0
Carbon Monoxide (CO2)	50 ppm	50 ppm	Molybdenum (Soluble) (Mo)	15.0	10.0
Chromium (Chromates)	1.0	0.50	Nickel (Soluble) (Ni)	1.0	1.0
Cobalt fume (Co)	0.10	1.0	Nitrogen dioxides (NO2)	5.0 ppm	3.0 ppm
Copper fume/dust(Cu)	0.1/1.0	0.2/1.0	Ozone (O3)	0.1 ppm	0.1 ppm
Fluorides (as F)	2.5	2.5	Phosgene (COCl2)	0.1 ppm	0.1 ppm
Iron Oxide Fume (Fe)	10.0	5.0	Silicon dust (Si)	None	10.0
Lead Fume/Oxide (Pb)	.15	.05	Titanium fume/dust (Ti)	15.0	10.0
Manganese fume (Mn)	5.0	5.0/1.0	Zinc fume/dust (Zn)	5.0	5.0

SECTION 7 – SPILL OR LEAK PROCEDURE

WASTE DISPOSAL METHOD: Prevent waste from contaminating surrounding environment. Discard any product residue, in a disposable container or liner in an environmentally acceptable manner, in full compliance with applicable federal, state, and local regulations.

SECTION 8 AND 9 –SPECIAL PROTECTION INFORMATION AND PRECAUTIONS

READ AND UNDERSTAND the manufacturer's instructions and the precautionary label on the product. See American National Standard Z49. 1, Safety In Welding and cutting published by the American Welding Society P.O. Box 351040, Miami FL 33135 and OSHA Publication 2206 (29CFR 1910) U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402, for more detail on many of the following. See publication guide Methods for Sampling and Analyzing Gases from Welding and Allied Processes published by the American Welding Society publication F 1.5

VENTILATION: Use enough ventilation, local exhaust at the arc, or both, to keep the fumes and gases below TLV'S in the worker's breathing zone and general area. See publication guide Welding Fume Control from American Welding Society publication F3. 1. Train the welder to keep his head out of the fumes.

RESPIRATORY PROTECTION: Use respiratory fume respirator or air supplied respirator when welding in confined space or where local exhaust or ventilation does not keep exposure below TLV'S use only NIOSH approved respirators in accordance with 29 CFR 1910.134 Respiratory Protection. Train welder in the use of Respirators.

EYE PROTECTION: Wear helmet or use face shield with filter lens shade number "10" or darker. Provide protective screens and flash goggles if necessary to shield others. Select Welding lens shade from the American Welding Society Publication F2.2. Train welder in the use of proper eye protection.

PROTECTIVE CLOTHING: Wear hand, head and body protection which help to prevent injury from radiation, sparks, and electrical shock. See ANSI Z49.1 1. At a minimum, this includes welder's gloves and a protective face shield, and may include arm protectors, aprons, hats, shoulder protection, etc. That may be appropriate to protect against injury or exposure.

ELECTRICAL SHOCK CAN KILL. Train the welder not to touch live electrical parts and to insulate himself from the work being welded and the work should be grounded.

SECTION 8 AND 9 CONTINUED

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Refer to the following sources for additional information.

Safety in Welding

Osha Regulations

Safety in Soldering

The American Welding Society
P.O. Box 351040
Miami, FL 33235
Phone: 800 334-9353

U.S. department of Labor
Washington DC 20210

Lead Industries Assoc.
292 Madison Avenue
New York, NY 10017
Phone: 212 570-4750

Safety in Welding
ANSI Z49.1

OSHA (29CFR 1 910)

Safety in Soldering

**SAFE DRINKING WATER AND TOXIC ENFORCEMENT ACT OF 1986
IN CALIFORNIA PROPOSITION 65**

**OEHHA'S PROPOSITION 65 PROGRAM AT 916.445.6900
OR VISIT <http://www.oehha.ca.gov/prop65.html>**

Notes:

TLV = Threshold Limit Values – American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

PEL = Permissible Exposure Limit – OSHA 29 CFR 1910.1000

C – Ceiling Limit

STEL = Short Term Exposure Limit – a time-weighted 15-minute exposure limit not to be exceeded at any time during a workday.

CAS No-Chemical abstracts services number

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