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## MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

### SECTION I. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

<b>Product Name:</b>	<b>Chromium Copper C18200</b>		
<b>Manufacturer/Vendor Information:</b>	IWG High Performance Conductors 1570 Campton Road Inman, SC 29349	<b>24-Hour Emergency Phone:</b>	(800)424-9300 <b>Chemtrec</b>
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### SECTION II. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

<u>CAS No.</u>	<u>Chemical Name</u>	<u>Exposure Limits</u>	<u>% by wt.</u>
7440-50-8	Copper	ACGIH TWA: 1 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (dusts & mists) ACGIH TWA: 0.2 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (fume) OSHA PEL TWA: 1 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (dust) OSHA PEL TWA: 0.1 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (fume)	99.0
7440-47-3	Chromium	ACGIH TWA: .5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> OSHA TWA: 1 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	1.2 max.

### SECTION III. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

**Emergency Overview:** Odorless, reddish-yellow metal, various shapes. This material presents minimal risk in the solid form.

**Grinding, melting, welding, cutting, or any other operations that reduce the particle size of the material will change the hazard classification of the product. If the particle size of this product is reduced, refer to the OSHA Standards for complete regulatory details.**

Dust or fumes may cause irritation of the eyes, skin and respiratory tract.

**Route(s) of Entry:** Inhalation, eye and ingestion of dust or fume.

**Acute Exposure:** Not considered hazardous as shipped in the solid form. Processes that involve grinding, melting, welding, cutting, or any other reduction in particle size of material may result in "Metal Fume Fever".

**Chronic Exposure:** Rare except in individuals with Wilson's disease.

**Carcinogenicity:** **Chromium:** NTP: No IARC: Yes OSHA: No  
**Copper:** NTP: No IARC: No OSHA: No

**Eye:** Dust or fume may cause eye irritation.

**Skin Contact:** Dust may cause skin irritation.

**Inhalation:** Dust or fume may cause nose, throat, and respiratory tract irritation. Metal fume fever has been associated with metals such as zinc, magnesium, aluminum, antimony, iron, manganese, mercury, nickel and tin. However, there is insufficient evidence to conclude that exposures to copper dust and copper fume cause metal fume fever.

Symptoms of metal fume fever include muscular pains, sudden onset of chills, weakness, fatigue, nausea, vomiting headache diarrhea and onset may be delayed for several hours.

**Ingestion:** May cause stomach irritation.

**Signs and Symptoms:** Upper respiratory irritation accompanied by coughing, dryness of mucous membranes.

**SECTION IV. FIRST AID MEASURES**

**Eyes:** If dust or fume contacts the eyes, flush with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention if irritation persists.

**Skin:** Wash with soap and water. Get medical attention if irritation develops or persists.

**Ingestion:** If swallowed, induce vomiting as directed by medical personnel. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Get medical attention.

**Inhalation:** If exposed to excessive levels of dusts or fumes, remove to fresh air and get medical attention if cough or other symptoms develop.

**Note to Physician:** Wilson's Disease or G6PD deficiency causes individuals to absorb, retain, and store copper excessively, leading to copper toxicosis.

**SECTION V. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES**

**Flash Pt:** Not applicable

**Flammable Limits in Air – Lower:** Not applicable

**Flammable Limits in Air – Upper:** Not applicable

**Auto Ignition Temperature:** Not applicable

**Fire Fighting Extinguishing Media:** Does not support combustion. Use media as appropriate for surrounding material.

**Fire Fighting Equipment:** As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear.

**Fire Fighting Instructions:** Evacuate area and fight fire from a safe distance. Avoid direct water stream on molten material. Molten form explodes upon contact with water. Copper powder is a moderate fire hazard.

**Fire and Explosion Hazards:** None.

**Unusual Hazards:** Toxic gases and vapors may be released in a fire. In the presence of halogenates, copper powder may be explosive with heat, percussion, or light friction. On long standing a white deposit, which is a readily, explosive peroxide, may form. In the presence of wet acetylene and ammonia, copper forms explosive acetylides

**SECTION VI. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

**Accidental Release Measures:** Use clean-up methods that avoid dust or fume generation (vacuum, wet). Wear a NIOSH approved respirator if dust/fume will be generated in clean-up.

**SECTION VII. HANDLING AND STORAGE**

**Handling Information:** Minimize dust/fume generation and accumulation. Avoid breathing dust or fume.

**Storage Information:** Store in closed containers in a secure dry place. Do not store near strong acids, bases or oxidizing agents or incompatible materials described in Section X.

**SECTION VIII. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION**

**Engineering Controls:** If user operations generate dust or fume, use ventilation to keep exposure to airborne contaminants below the exposure limits.

**Eye Protection:** If user operations generate dust or fume use safety glasses with side-shields or goggles.

**Skin Protection:** Use protective clothing to prevent repeated or prolonged skin contact.

**Respiratory Protection:** A respiratory protection program that meets OSHA 29 CFR 1910.134 and ANSI Z88.2 requirements must be followed whenever workplace conditions warrant respirator use. For concentrations up to 10 times the exposure limit, use NIOSH or MSHA approved half- or full-face, air-purifying respirator. For higher concentrations, consult a professional industrial hygienist.

**SECTION IX. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

**Appearance:** Reddish-yellow metal, various shapes, solid

<b>Melting Point:</b>	1083°C
<b>Flash Point:</b>	Not available
<b>Boiling Point:</b>	2595°C
<b>Decomposition Temperature:</b>	Not available
<b>Density/Specific Gravity:</b>	8.94
<b>Vapor Pressure:</b>	1 mm Hg at 1628°C; 20 mm Hg at 1970°C
<b>Heat of Vaporization:</b>	1150 Cal/g
<b>Solubility in Water:</b>	Insoluble
<b>Molecular Weight:</b>	63.54

### SECTION X. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**Stability:** Stable under normal temperatures and pressures.

**Incompatibility:** Copper is potentially explosive with acetylinic compounds, 3-bromopropene, ethylene oxide, lead azide, and ammonium nitrate. Ignites on contact with chlorine, fluorine, and hydrazinemononitrate. Reacts violently with sodium azide, halogenates, peroxides, hydrogen sulfide, hydrozoic acid, bromates, chlorates, iodates, chloride and potassium oxide. Avoid contact with strong acids.

**Hazardous Decomposition Products:** High temperatures associated with smelting or welding releases metal oxide fumes.

**Hazardous Polymerization:** Will not occur.

### SECTION XI. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

#### *Toxicology Tests*

**Copper:**

**Test : 1**

**LD/LC : LD<sub>50</sub>**

**Test Type :** Acute

**Test Route :** Intraperitoneal

**Test Species :** Mouse

**Results Amounts :** 3.5 mg/kg

**Inhalation Toxicity:** Scientific evidence does not indicate that exposure to copper dust or fume causes upper respiratory irritation in a manner that is different than that following high-dose exposure to other non-specific irritants.

**Reproduction:** Female rats 22 weeks prior to mating, oral route, dose 1520 µg /kg—specific developmental abnormalities (musculoskeletal system). At 152 mg/kg effects included stunted fetus and central nervous system. Female rats 35 weeks prior to mating, oral route, 1210 µg /kg—effects on fertility (pre- and post-implantation mortality) (RTECS).

**Additional Information:** There are no human data and inadequate animal data (HSDB) for carcinogenicity.

**Toxicity:**

**Chromium:**

**Rat-oral LD50 225 mg/kg**

### SECTION XII. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

**Waste Disposal Method:** Waste must be disposed of in accordance with federal, state and local environmental control regulations.

### SECTION XIII. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

<u>Proper Shipping Name:</u>	<u>Technical Name (If N.O.S.):</u>	<u>Hazard Class:</u>	<u>ID:</u>	<u>PG:</u>
DOT: Not Regulated in solid form				

### SECTION XIV. REGULATORY INFORMATION

#### *US Federal*

**Federal Drinking Water Standards: Copper:** EPA 1300µg/L.

**CERCLA: Copper:** RQ 5000 lbs, subject to size limitations (see 40 CFR 302.4)

**RCRA: Copper:** Not listed

**Clean Water Act: Copper:** Designated as a toxic pollutant and is subject to effluent limitations.

**EPCRA, SARA Title III, SECTION 313 (chemicals subject to reporting requirements, see Section II for CAS number and percentage in mixture): Copper:** Reporting required if concentration is >1% for copper  
**CERCLA Hazardous Substances: Copper:** No reporting is required if diameter of the pieces of solid material is  $\geq$  100 mm (0.04 inches) for copper and no RQ is assigned to the broad class of copper compounds.  
**Clean Air Act: Copper:** Not on HAPs list  
**DOT: Copper:** See Section XIII TRANSPORT INFORMATION. .

**SECTION XV. OTHER INFORMATION**

**Reason for Revision:** Change in company name, phone numbers.  
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