



## Rebar Positioners

### RB-Twin Rebar Positioner



## DESCRIPTION

**RB-Twin Rebar Positioner** features double loops for positioning four rebar in center of block. The Z-shaped wire bridges cell of block while bends rest on shell.

### Standard Dimensions :

9 gauge (.148"Ø or W1.7)  
Available for 6", 8", 10" or 12" block

## PRODUCT ATTRIBUTES

**Wire Diameter :** 9 gauge

### Sizes :

RB-TWIN-8 (Width=6" for 8" block)

### Finishes /Materials :

Hot-Dip Galvanized

(0.1 oz/ft<sup>2</sup>)

Hot-Dip Galvanized after fabrication :

**ASTM A153/A153M-B2** (1.5 oz/ft)

**Wire (Stainless Steel): ASTM**

**A580/A580M** - AISI Type 304 (Type 316 available on special order)

## NOTES

H&B recommends Stainless Steel for maximum protection against corrosion .

## MATERIAL CONFORMANCE

**Wire (Carbon Steel):** Cold-drawn steel wire conforming to **ASTM**

**A1064/A1064M :**

Tensile Strength - 80,000 p.s.i.

Yield Point - 70,000 p.s.i. minimum

Zinc coating:

Mill Galvanized : **ASTM A641/A641M**

## IMPORTANT

Since each construction project is unique, the appropriate selection and use of any product contained herein must be determined by competent architects, engineers and other appropriate professionals who are familiar with the specific requirements of the project in question .

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## 1. Identification

Product Identifier: **Wire Rod - Alloy Steel**

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Recommended use: Various alloy steel wire rod products for masonry construction projects.

Recommended restrictions: None known.

## 2. Hazards Identification

### Emergency Overview

This formed solid metal product poses little or no immediate health or fire hazard. When product is subjected to welding, burning, grinding, melting, sawing, brazing, or other similar machining activities, potentially hazardous airborne particulate and fumes may be generated and should be evaluated by an industrial hygienist. Avoid inhalation of metal dusts and fumes. Operations having the potential to generate airborne particulates should be performed in well ventilated areas and, if it is impossible, respiratory protection and other personal protective equipment should be used. The presence of nonmetallic coatings (for example, oils, paints, epoxies, laminates, etc.) on steel products should be considered when evaluating potential employee health hazards during handling, welding, grinding, sanding or other fume/dust generating activities.

### Potential Health Effects

Primary Entry Routes: Inhalation. Steel products in the natural state do not present an inhalation, ingestion or contact hazard. However, operations such as burning, welding, sawing, brazing, machining and grinding may result in the following effects if exposures exceed recommended limits as listed in Section 8.

Target Organs: Respiratory system

### Acute Effects:

- **Inhalation:** Excessive exposure to high concentrations of dust may cause irritation to the eyes, skin and mucous membranes of the upper respiratory tract. Excessive inhalation of fumes of freshly formed metal oxide particles sized below 1.5 microns and usually between 0.02-0.05 microns from many metals can produce an acute reaction known as "metal fume fever". Symptoms consist of chills and fever (very similar to and easily confused with flu symptoms), metallic taste in the mouth, dryness and irritation of the throat followed by weakness and muscle pain. The symptoms come on in a few hours after excessive exposures and usually last from 12 to 48 hours. Long-term effects from metal fume fever have not been noted. Freshly formed oxide fumes of manganese and copper have been associated with causing metal fume fever.
- **Eye:** Excessive exposure to high concentrations of dust may cause irritation to the eyes. Particles of iron or iron compounds, which become imbedded in the eye, may cause rust stains unless removed fairly promptly. Torching or burning operations on steel products with oil coatings may produce emissions that can be irritating to the eyes.
- **Skin:** Skin contact with dusts may cause irritation or sensitization, possibly leading to dermatitis. Repeated or prolonged contact with oil residue may cause skin irritation, dermatitis or allergic reactions in sensitized individuals.
- **Ingestion:** Ingestion of harmful amounts of this product as distributed is unlikely due to its solid insoluble form. Ingestion of dust may cause nausea or vomiting.

### Chronic Effects:

Presented below are the potential health effects that have been identified for the ingredients listed that are of industrial hygiene significance.

- **IRON OXIDE:** Chronic inhalation of excessive concentrations of iron oxide fumes or dusts may result in the development of a benign lung conditions known as pneumoconiosis, called siderosis, which is observable as an X-ray change. But, no physical impairment of lung function has been associated with siderosis.
- **ALUMINUM:** Aluminum dusts/fines are a low health risk by inhalation and should be treated as a nuisance dust.
- **CHROMIUM:** The health hazards associated with exposure to chromium are dependent upon its oxidation state. The metal form (chromium as it exists in this product) is of relatively low toxicity. Long term excessive inhalation of ferrochromium dusts and fumes may cause lung changes in exposed workers. Exposure to chromium metal does not give rise to pulmonary fibrosis or pneumoconiosis. The hexavalent form (Cr+6), unlike chromium metal is very toxic. Repeated or prolonged exposure to hexavalent chromium compounds may cause respiratory irritation, nosebleed, ulceration and perforation of the nasal septum. Industrial exposure to certain forms of hexavalent chromium has been related to an increased incidence of respiratory cancer.

- COPPER: Chronic exposure to copper dusts may result in runny nose, irritation of mucous membranes, and atrophic changes with resultant dementia. Chronic inhalation of copper dust has caused, in animals, hemolysis of the red blood cells, deposition of hemofuscin in the liver and pancreas, injury to lung cells and gastrointestinal symptoms.
- MANGANESE: Manganese dust and fume can act as minor irritants to the eyes and respiratory tract. Excessive inhalation exposure to manganese fume may result in a flulike illness termed metal fume fever. Chronic exposure to high concentrations of manganese fumes and dusts may adversely affect the central nervous system (CNS) with symptoms including languor, sleepiness, weakness, emotional disturbances, spastic gait, mask-like facial expression and paralysis. Animal studies indicate that manganese exposure may increase susceptibility to bacterial and viral infections.
- PHOSPHOROUS: Inhalation of dusts and fumes of ferrophosphorus and phosphorous oxides may cause respiratory irritation.
- SILICON: Silicon dusts are a low health risk by inhalation and should be treated as a nuisance dust.
- SULFUR: Sulfur compounds, present in the fumes, may irritate the skin, eyes, lungs and gastrointestinal tract. Long-term inhalation exposure to high concentrations (overexposure) to pneumoconiotic agents may act synergistically with inhalation of oxides, fumes or dusts of this product to cause toxic effects.

Carcinogenicity: The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC), the National Toxicology Program (NTP), and OSHA do not list steel products as carcinogens. IARC identifies nickel compounds as Group 1 (sufficient evidence for carcinogenicity in humans) and metallic nickel as Group 2B (possibly carcinogenic for humans). NTP lists nickel as Group 2 (reasonably anticipated to be a human carcinogen). The American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH) lists insoluble nickel compounds as A1 (confirmed human carcinogen) and elemental/metallic nickel as A5 (not suspected as a human carcinogen). IARC lists chromium metal and trivalent chromium compounds as Group 3 (not classifiable as to their human carcinogenicity). ACGIH lists chromium metal and trivalent compounds as A4 (not classifiable as a human carcinogen). IARC identifies welding fumes as a Group 2B carcinogen, a mixture that is possibly carcinogenic to Humans.

Medical Conditions Aggravated by Long-Term Exposure: Individuals with chronic respiratory disorders (i.e., asthma, chronic bronchitis, emphysema, etc.) may be adversely affected by any fume or airborne particulate matter exposure.

### 3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Ingredient Name	CAS Number	Percentage by wt.
Fe (Iron)	7439-89-6	Balance
Si (Silicon)	7440-21-3	3.5% max.
Mn (Manganese)	7439-96-5	2.0% max
P (Phosphorus)	7723-14-0	0.2% max
S (Sulfur)	7704-34-9	0.05% max.
Al (Aluminum)	7429-90-5	0.1% max.
Cu (Copper)	7440-50-8	0.1% max.
Cr (Chromium)	7440-47-3	0.5% max.

### 4. First-Aid Measures

Inhalation: For over-exposure to airborne fumes and particulate, remove exposed person to fresh air. If breathing is difficult or has stopped, administer artificial respiration or oxygen as indicated. Seek medical attention promptly. Metal fume fever may be treated by bed rest, and administering a pain and fever reducing medication.

Eye Contact: Treat for foreign body in the eye. Flush with large amounts of clean water to remove particles. Seek medical attention if irritation persists.

Skin Contact: Not anticipated to pose a significant skin hazard. However, should dermatitis develop, wash affected area thoroughly with mild soap and water. If irritation or other symptoms develop, seek medical attention. Remove contaminated clothing. If thermal burn has occurred, flush area with cold water and seek medical attention. If mechanical abrasion has occurred, seek medical attention.

Ingestion: Not considered an ingestion hazard.

### 5. Fire-fighting measures

Steel products do not present fire or explosion hazards under normal conditions. But, molten metal may react violently with water. High concentrations of metallic fines in the air may present an explosion hazard. Fire fighters are to wear full protective equipment, including full bunker gear and SCBA respiratory protection.

### 6. Accidental release measures

Any excess product can be recycled for further use, disposed in an appropriately permitted waste landfill, or disposed by other methods in accordance with local, state, and federal regulations. Finely divided, dry particles should be removed by vacuuming or wet sweeping to prevent spreading dusts. Avoid using compressed air.

Spill/Leak Procedures: Not applicable to steel in solid state. For spills involving finely divided particles, clean-up personnel should be protected against contact with eyes and skin. If material is in a dry state, avoid inhalation of dust. Fine, dry material should be removed by vacuuming or wet sweeping methods to prevent spreading of dust. Avoid using compressed air. Do not release into sewers or

waterways.

Collect material in appropriate, labeled containers for recovery or disposal in accordance with federal, state, and local regulations.

Regulatory Requirements: Follow applicable OSHA regulations (29 CFR 1910.120) and all other pertinent state and federal requirements.

Disposal: Contact your supplier or a licensed contractor for detailed recommendations.

Follow applicable Federal, state, and local regulations.

**7. Handling and storage**

Handling Precautions: Operations with the potential for generating high concentrations of airborne particulates should be evaluated and controlled as necessary. Practice good housekeeping. Avoid breathing metal fumes and/or dust.

Storage Requirements: Store away from acids and incompatible materials.

**8. Exposure controls/personal protection**

Exposure Limits OSHA

Ingredient Name	CAS Number	OSHA PEL 1
Fe (Iron)	7439-89-6	10 mg/m - Iron oxide fume
Si (Silicon)	7440-21-3	15 mg/m - Total dust 5 mg/m - Respirable fraction
Mn (Manganese)	7439-96-5	5 mg/m (C) - Fume & Mn compounds
P (Phosphorus)	7723-14-0	0.1 mg/ m
S (Sulfur)	7704-34-9	15 mg/m - Total dust (PNOR) 5 mg/m - Respirable fraction (PNOR)
Al (Aluminum)	7429-90-5	15 mg/m - Total dust 5 mg/m - Respirable fraction
Cu (Copper)	7440-50-8	0.1 mg/m - Fume (as Cu) 1 mg/m - Dusts & mists (as Cu)
Cr (Chromium)	7440-47-3	1 mg/m - Chromium metal

Exposure Limits ACGIH

Ingredient Name	CAS Number	ACGIH TLV 2
Fe (Iron)	7439-89-6	5 mg/m - Iron oxide dust and
Si (Silicon)	7440-21-3	10 mg/m
Mn (Manganese)	7439-96-5	0.2 mg/m
P (Phosphorus)	7723-14-0	0.01 mg/m
S (Sulfur)	7704-34-9	10 mg/m - Inhalable fraction (PNOS) 3 mg/m - Respirable fraction (PNOS)
Al (Aluminum)	7429-90-5	10 mg/m - Metal Dust 5 mg/m - Welding fume
Cu (Copper)	7440-50-8	0.2 mg/m - Fume 1 mg/ m - Dusts & mists (as Cu)
Cr (Chromium)	7440-47-3	0.5 mg/m - Cr metal & Cr III compounds

\*All commercial steel products may contain small amounts of various elements in addition to those specified. These small quantities (less than 0.1%) may exist as intentional additions, or as "trace" or "residual" elements that generally originate in the raw materials used. These elements may include: antimony, arsenic, boron, cadmium, calcium, cobalt, columbium, lead, molybdenum, nickel, tin, titanium, vanadium, and zirconium.

1. OSHA Permissible Exposure Limits (PELs) are 8-hour TWA (time-weighted average) concentrations unless otherwise noted. A ("C") designation denotes a ceiling limit, which should not be exceeded during any part of the working exposure unless otherwise noted. A Short Term Exposure Limit (STEL) is defined as a 15-minute exposure, which should not be exceeded at any time during a workday.
2. Threshold Limit Values (TLV) established by the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH) are 8-hour TWA concentrations unless otherwise noted.
3. PNOR (Particulates Not Otherwise Regulated). All inert or nuisance dusts, whether mineral, inorganic, or organic, not listed specifically by substance name are covered by the PNOR limit which is the same as the inert or nuisance dust limit of 15 mg/m<sup>3</sup> for total dust and 5 mg/m<sup>3</sup> for the respirable fraction.
4. Inhalable fraction. The concentration of inhalable particulate for the application of this TLV is to be determined from the fraction passing a size-selector with the characteristics defined in the ACGIH TLVs and BEIs Appendix D, paragraph A.
5. PNOS (Particulates Not Otherwise Specified). Particulates identified under the PNOS heading are "nuisance dusts" containing no asbestos and <1% crystalline silica. A TWATLV of 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup> for inhalable particulate and 3 mg/m<sup>3</sup> for respirable particulate has been recommended.
6. Respirable fraction. The concentration of respirable dust for the application of this limit is to be determined from the fraction passing

a size-selector with the characteristics defined in the ACGIH TLVs and BEIs Appendix D, paragraph C.

Engineering Controls: Use controls as appropriate to minimize exposure to metal fumes and dusts during handling operations. Use lifting and work devices, e.g., crane, hoist, etc., within rated capacities and in accordance with manufacturer's instructions when handling these products. avoid breathing dust and fume evaluate potential employee exposure minimize generation of airborne emissions maintain surfaces free as practical of accumulated material use protective clothing as specified by an industrial hygienist or safety professional where exposure levels may be excessive do not smoke in work area wash hands before eating, drinking or smoking and after handling, change contaminated clothing before leaving work premises.

Ventilation: Provide general or local exhaust ventilation systems to minimize airborne concentrations. Local exhaust ventilation is preferred because it prevents contaminant dispersion into the work area by controlling it at its source.

Administrative Controls: Do not use compressed air to clean-up spills.

Respiratory Protection: Seek professional advice prior to respirator selection and use.

Follow OSHA respirator regulations (29 CFR 1910.134) and, if necessary, wear a NIOSH approved respirator. Select respirator based on its suitability to provide adequate worker protection for given working conditions, level of airborne contamination, and presence of sufficient oxygen.

Skin and eye protection: For operations which result in elevating the temperature of the product to or above its melting point or result in the generation of airborne particulates, use protective clothing, gloves and safety glasses to prevent skin and eye contact.

Contact lenses should not be worn where industrial exposures to this material are likely.

Use safety glasses or goggles as required for welding, burning, sawing, brazing, grinding or machining operations. Protective gloves should be worn as required for welding, burning or handling operations.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

Physical State: Solid Water

Appearance: Metallic Gray

Odor: Odorless

Vapor Pressure: Not applicable

Vapor Density (Air=1): Not applicable

Specific Gravity (H<sub>2</sub>O=1, at 4 °C): 7.85

LEL: Not applicable

Flash Point Method: Not applicable

Solubility: Insoluble

Boiling Point: Not applicable

Flash Point: Not applicable

Evaporation Rate: Not applicable

Freezing/Melting Point: ~2750 °F

pH: Not applicable

UEL: Not applicable

Flammability Classification: Non-flammable, non-combustible

Unusual Fire or Explosion Hazards: Not applicable for solid product. Do not use water on molten metal.

Hazardous Combustion Products: At temperatures above the melting point, fumes containing metal oxides and other alloying elements may be liberated.

## 10. Stability and reactivity

Stability: Steel products are stable under normal storage and handling conditions.

Polymerization: Hazardous polymerization cannot occur.

Chemical Incompatibilities: Will react with strong acids to form hydrogen. Iron oxide dusts in contact with calcium hypochlorite evolve oxygen and may cause an explosion.

Conditions to Avoid: Storage with strong acids or calcium hypochlorite.

Hazardous Decomposition Products: Thermal oxidative decomposition of steel products can produce fumes containing oxides of iron and manganese as well as other alloying elements.

## 11. Toxicological information

No information is available for the product as a mixture.

Eye Effects: Eye contact with the individual components may cause particulate irritation.

Implantation of iron particles in guinea pig corneas have resulted in rust rings with corneal softening about rust ring.

Skin Effects: Skin contact with the individual dust components may cause physical abrasion, irritation, dermatitis, and sensitization.

Acute Inhalation Effects: Inhalation of the individual alloy components has been shown to cause various respiratory effects.

Acute Oral Effects: No data available

Other: No LC<sub>50</sub> or LD<sub>50</sub> has been established for the mixture as a whole.

Iron LD<sub>50</sub>: 30 g/kg oral (rat). Aluminum LD<sub>50</sub>: No data. Boron LD<sub>50</sub>: 2000 mg/kg oral (mouse).

Calcium LD<sub>50</sub>: No data. Carbon LD<sub>50</sub>: No data. Copper TDLo: 120 ug/kg oral (human).

Manganese LD<sub>50</sub>: 9 g/kg oral (rat). Phosphorous LD<sub>50</sub>: No data. Silicon LD<sub>50</sub>: 3160 mg/kg oral (rat). Sulfur LD<sub>50</sub>: >8437 mg/kg oral (rat).

Chronic Effects, Carcinogenicity: See Section 8.

Mutagenicity, Teratogenicity: No data available

## 12. Ecological Information

Steel products in their usual form do not pose an ecological hazard.

Ecotoxicity: No data available for the product as a whole. However, individual components of the product have been found to be toxic to the environment. Metal dusts may migrate into soil and groundwater and be ingested by wildlife. Environmental Fate: No data available.

Environmental Degradation: No data available.

Soil Absorption/Mobility: No data available for the product as a whole. However, individual components of the product have been found to be absorbed by plants from soil.

### 13. Disposal Considerations

Any excess product can be recycled for further use, disposed in an appropriately permitted waste landfill, or disposed by other methods in accordance with local, state, and federal regulations.

Disposal: Steel scrap should be recycled whenever possible. Product dusts and fumes from processing operations should also be recycled, or classified by a competent environmental professional and disposed of in accordance with applicable federal, state or local regulations.

Container Cleaning and Disposal: Follow applicable Federal, state and local regulations.

Observe safe handling precautions.

### 14. Transport information

Not a hazardous material for DOT shipping.

### 15. Regulatory Information

Regulatory Information: The following listing of regulations relating to a POSCO product may not be complete and should not be solely relied upon for all regulatory compliance responsibilities. This product and/or its constituents are subject to the following regulations.

And those followings are described (listed) by counting of first importance to USA.

OSHA Regulations:

Air Contaminant (29 CFR 1910.1000, Table Z-1, Z-1-A): The product as a whole is not listed. However, individual components of the product are listed.

EPA Regulations:

RCRA(40CFR261): Steel scrap is not regulated as a solid waste or a hazardous waste under this act. If product dusts and/or fumes from processing operations are not recycled, they are considered to be a solid waste and may be classified as a hazardous waste depending on the toxicity characteristics of the dust as defined within 40CFR261.24.

CERCLA Hazardous Substance (40 CFR 302.4): The product as a whole is not listed.

However, individual components of the product are listed: Copper (Reportable Quantity (RQ)-5000#). Manganese compounds are also listed although no reportable quantity is assigned to this generic or broad class.

SARA 311/312 Codes (40CFR370): Immediate (acute) health hazard and delayed (chronic) health hazard.

SARA 313(40CFR372.65): Manganese is subject to SARA 313 reporting requirements.

Please note that if you prepackage or redistribute this product to industrial customers, SARA 313 requires that a notice be sent to those customers.

State Regulations in USA: The product as a whole is not listed in any state regulations. However, individual components of the product are listed in various state regulations.

Pennsylvania Right to Know: Contains regulated material in the following categories:

- Hazardous Substances: Calcium, Silicon and Sulfur.
- Environmental Hazards: Aluminum, Copper and Manganese.

New Jersey Right to Know: Contains regulated material in the following categories:

- Hazardous Substance: Aluminum (dust and fume), Copper, Manganese and Sulfur.
- Special Health Hazard Substances: Calcium.

California Prop. 65: The product may possibly contain trace quantities (generally much less than 0.1%) of metallic elements known to the State of California to cause cancer or reproductive toxicity. These include arsenic (inorganic), cadmium, lead and nickel.

Other Regulations: The product as a whole is not listed in any state regulations. However, individual components of the product are listed in various state regulations.

### 16. Other information

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**1. Identification**

Product Identifier: **Zinc Metal: Special High Grade**

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**2. Hazards Identification**

EMERGENCY OVERVIEW:

**Short Term Overexposure:** ZINC: Inhalation of high levels of zinc vapor (zinc oxide fumes) may result in tightness of chest, metallic taste, cough, dizziness, fever, chills, headache, nausea, and dry throat. Overexposure may produce symptoms known as metal fume fever or "zinc shakes"; an acute, self-limiting condition without recognized complications. Symptoms of metal fume fever include: chills, fever, muscular pain, nausea and vomiting.

**Long Term Overexposure:** ZINC: Chronic exposure to zinc may cause respiratory tract irritation with nasopharyngitis and laryngitis  
**Medical Conditions Generally Aggravated By Exposure:** Inhalation of dust may be an irritant to pre-existing respiratory conditions

**Prevention:** Avoid contact with acids and alkalis..

**Route of Exposure:** PRIMARY: Inhalation, if material has been heated above the boiling point, driving off zinc fume.  
SECONDARY: Ingestion of dusts..

GHS Ratings:

**Inhalation Toxicity:** Acute 4

GHS Hazards

**H332** May be harmful if inhaled

GHS Precautions

**P261** Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray

**P271** Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area

**P312** Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell

**P304+P340**

IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and Keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing

Signal Word: Warning



POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS:

**Inhalation:** Inhaling dust may be an irritant to pre-existing respiratory conditions.

**Skin:** No data found.

**Ingestion:** No data found.

**Eyes:** No data found.

**Carcinogenicity:** N/A.

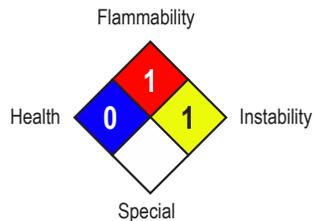
**3. Composition/Information on Ingredients**

Component	CAS No.	%
ZINC	7440-66-6	99.9
PROPRIETARY INGREDIENTS	N/A	0.1

Hazardous Material Information System (HMIS)

National Fire Protection Association (NFPA)

Health	1
Flammability	1
Physical Hazard	1
Personal Protection	

**HMIS & NFPA Hazard Rating Legend**

\* = CHRONIC HEALTH HAZARD  
 0 = INSIGNIFICANT  
 1 = SLIGHT  
 2 = MODERATE  
 3 = HIGH

**4. First-Aid Measures**

Symptoms resulting from inhalation overexposure usually disappear within 24 hours. Symptomatic treatment, such as bed rest and possibly aspirin is recommended to provide relief from fever and chills. In all cases, consult physician for medical attention.

**5. Fire-fighting measures**

**FLASH POINT:** N/A

**EXTINGUISHING MEDIA:** Smother and cool with a suitable dry extinguishing agent (class D fires) such as dry powder (Ansul Met-L-X), zinc oxide or dry sand. Water should not be used; however wherever it is necessary to cool exposures, extreme caution should be taken to prevent contact with molten zinc or burning zinc products.

**HAZARDOUS COMBUSTION PRODUCTS:** No data found.

**FIRE FIGHTING PROCEDURES:** No Data Found.

**FIRE FIGHTER PROTECTION:** Use NIOSH/MSHA approved self-contained breathing apparatus.

**UNUSUAL FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARDS:** Heating of metal beyond boiling point results in evolution of zinc vapors, which immediately reacts with air to form zinc oxide fume. Slabs must be completely dry before charging into molten metal to prevent a steam explosion.

**6. Accidental release measures**

**STEPS TO BE TAKEN IN CASE MATERIAL IS RELEASED OR SPILLED:** Material should be contained for recycling.

**WASTE DISPOSAL METHODS:** Material may be recycled or disposed of in accordance with Federal, State, and Local Environmental Regulations. This material may be regulated under CERCLA, TSCA, SARA, and/or RCRA Regulations.

**CLEAN WATER ACT REQUIREMENTS:** No data found

**RESOURCE CONSERVATION AND RECOVERY ACT (RCRA) REQUIREMENTS:** No data found

**7. Handling and storage**

**PRECAUTIONS TO BE TAKEN IN HANDLING AND STORING:** Store in a dry location, separate from acids and alkalis. Keep metal dry so it does not contain any moisture when ready for use.

**OTHER PRECAUTIONS:** Damp slabs placed in molten metal may result in a steam explosion. Always practice good personal hygiene when working in areas where this material exists.

**REGISTRATIONS/CERTIFICATIONS:** No data found.

**8. Exposure controls/personal protection**

**ENGINEERING CONTROLS:** No data found

**ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROLS:** No data found

**VENTILATION:** Local exhaust or other ventilation that will reduce dust concentrations to less than permissible exposure limits

**PROTECTIVE GLOVES:** Recommended to prevent skin irritation in hypersensitive individuals

**EYE PROTECTION:** Use safety eyewear for protection against airborne particulate matter.

**RESPIRATORY PROTECTION (SPECIFIC TYPE):** Use NIOSH/MSHA approved type respirator for protection against dust and metal fume.

**OTHER:** To prevent burns from contact with molten metal, appropriate protective garments should be worn. Such garments may include aprons, face shields, leggings, etc., depending on conditions of use.

**LOCAL EXHAUST:** N/A.

**MECHANICAL (GENERAL):** N/A

**SPECIAL:** N/A

**OTHER:** N/A.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

Physical Form: Solid

Appearance: Silver-white, or Bluish-white metal

Color: No data found

Boiling Point: 1665°F

Melting Point: 788°F

Freezing Point: No data found

Specific Gravity: 7.12

Density: No data found

Bulk Density: No data found

Viscosity: No data found

pH: No data found

Water Solubility: Negligible

Partition Coefficient-Octanol / Water: No data found

Molecular Weight: No data found

Decomposition Temp.: No data found

Taste: No data found

Odor: None

Odor Threshold: No data found

Vapor Pressure: 0.13kPa @ 909°F

Vapor Density: N/A

Evaporation Rate: N/A

VOC (Weight): No data found

VOC (Volume): No data found

Volatiles (Weight): No data found

Volatiles (Volume): No data found

Flash Point: N/A

Upper Explosion Limit: N/A

Lower Explosion Limit: N/A

Auto Ignition: No data found

Flammability (Solid, Gas): No data found

## 10. Stability and reactivity

**STABILITY:** Stable.

**HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION:** Zinc boils off as vapor at elevated temperatures.

**HAZARDOUS POLYMERIZATION:** Will not occur.

**CONDITIONS TO AVOID:** None.

**INCOMPATIBLE MATERIALS:** Avoid contact with acids and alkalis.

## 11. Toxicological information

**ROUTES OF ENTRY:** PRIMARY: Inhalation, if material has been heated above the boiling point, driving off zinc fume.

SECONDARY: Ingestion of dusts.

**TARGET ORGANS:** No data found.

**EFFECTS OF OVEREXPOSURE:**

**Short Term Overexposure:** ZINC: Inhalation of high levels of zinc vapor (zinc oxide fumes) may result in tightness of chest, metallic taste, cough, dizziness, fever, chills, headache, nausea, and dry throat. Overexposure may produce symptoms known as metal fume fever or "zinc shakes"; an acute, self-limiting condition without recognized complications. Symptoms of metal fume fever include: chills, fever, muscular pain, nausea and vomiting.

**Long Term Overexposure:** ZINC: Chronic exposure to zinc may cause respiratory tract irritation with nasopharyngitis and laryngitis.

**CARCINOGENICTY:** None.

## 12. Ecological Information

No data available for this product.

## 13. Disposal Considerations

Material may be recycled or disposed of in accordance with Federal, State, and Local Environmental Regulations. This material may be regulated under CERCLA, TSCA, SARA, and/or RCRA Regulations.

## 14. Transport information

D.O.T. Shipping Information: Not data found.

I.M.O. Shipping Information: Not data found.

**15. Regulatory Information**

No data found.

**16. Other information**

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**1. Identification**

Product Identifier: **Stainless Steel Products (Types 304 and 316)**

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Recommended use: Various stainless steel products for masonry construction.

Recommended restrictions: None known.

**2. Hazards Identification**

Description of hazards

Dust and fumes may be generated during working, e.g. during welding, cutting or grinding. Long term over-exposure to air pollutants in the form of dust or fumes may affect health and cause, for instance, chronic bronchitis.

A thin coat of anti-corrosion oil is applied to certain materials. This should be taken into account during handling and working. Heating and working of materials that have been coated with anti-corrosion oil may cause irritating and hygienically harmful fumes. Skin irritation may be caused by repeated or extended contact with anti-corrosion oil.

**3. Composition/Information on Ingredients**

Material/Component	CAS Number	% Weight	
		TYPE 304	TYPE 316
<u>Alloying Elements</u>			
Carbon (C)	7440-44-0	0.08 max	0.08 max
Manganese (Mn)	7439-96-5	2.0 max	2.0 max
Phosphorous (P)	7723-14-0	0.045 max	0.045 max
Sulfur (S)	7704-34-9	0.030 max	0.030 max
Silicon (Si)	7440-21-3	2.0 max	0.75 max
Chromium (Cr)	7440-47-3	18.0-20.0	18.0-20.0
Nickel (Ni)	7440-02-0	8.0-12.0	8.0-12.0
Molybdenum (Mo)	7439-98-7	0.0	2.0-3.0
Nitrogen (N)	7727-37-9	0.10 max	0.10 max
<u>Base Metal</u>			
Iron (Fe)	7439-89-6	Balance	Balance

NOTE: The above listing is a summary of elements used to alloy stainless steel. Various grades of steel will contain different combinations of these elements. Trace elements may also be present in minute amounts.

**4. First-Aid Measures**

Description of Necessary First Aid Measures:

Eye contact: flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. seek medical attention if eye irritation persists.

Skin contact: maintain good personal hygiene. wash affected area with mild soap and water. seek medical attention if skin irritation persists.

Inhalation: remove to fresh air. check for clear airway, breathing and presence of pulse. If necessary administer CPR. Consult a physician immediately.

Ingestion: Rare in industry. dust may irritate mouth and gastrointestinal tract. If ingested, seek medical attention promptly.

Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed:

Stainless steel as sold and shipped is not likely to present an acute or chronic health effects. However, during processing (cutting, milling, grinding, melting or welding) emitted byproducts may cause irritations, difficulty in breathing, coughing or wheezing. may cause allergic skin reactions. Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed, if necessary:

Notes to physician: May cause sensitization by skin contact or inhalation. Treat symptomatically.

**5. Fire-fighting measures**

SUITABLE EXTINGUISHING MEDIA: Non-flammable. Will not support combustion. Not applicable for solid product. Use extinguishers appropriate for surrounding materials.

Do not use water on molten metal.

SPECIFIC HAZARDS ARISING FROM MATERIAL: Not applicable for solid product.

HAZARDOUS COMBUSTION PRODUCTS: At temperatures above the melting point, fumes containing metal oxides and other alloying elements may be liberated.

SPECIAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT AND PRECAUTIONS FOR FIRE FIGHTERS:

Firefighters should wear self-contained NIOSH-approved breathing apparatus and full protective clothing.

EXPLOSION DATA:

SENSITIVITY TO MECHANICAL IMPACT: None.

SENSITIVITY TO STATIC DISCHARGE: N/A

**6. Accidental release measures**

PERSONAL PRECAUTIONS, PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT AND EMERGENCY PROCEDURES:

Not applicable to stainless steel in solid state. Avoid dust formation. Ensure adequate ventilation. Clean-up personnel should be protected against contact with eyes and skin protection.

ENVIRONMENTAL PRECAUTIONS: Not applicable to stainless steel in solid state.

METHODS AND MATERIALS FOR CONTAINMENT AND CLEANING UP:

Not applicable to stainless steel in solid state. For spills involving fine dusts, remove by vacuuming or wet sweeping methods to prevent spreading of dust. Avoid inhalation of dusts.

**7. Handling and storage**

PRECAUTIONS FOR SAFE HANDLING: Not applicable to stainless steel in solid state. Operations with the potential for generating high concentrations of airborne particulates should be evaluated and controlled as necessary. Practice good housekeeping.

Avoid breathing metal fumes and/or dust.

CONDITIONS FOR SAFE STORAGE: No special storage conditions for stainless steel in solid state.

INCOMPATIBLE PRODUCTS: Store away from acids and incompatible materials.

**8. Exposure controls/personal protection**

CONTROL PARAMETERS: There are no exposure limits for stainless steel.

The exposure limit for iron-containing fumes has been established at 5 mg/m<sup>3</sup> with ACGIH's TWA. The individual complex compounds within the fume may have lower exposure limits than the general fume.

Material/Component	CAS Number	Exposure Limits OSHA PEL (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	ACGIH TLV (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )
<u>Alloying Elements</u>			
Carbon (C)	7440-44-0	None Listed	None Listed
Manganese (Mn)	7439-96-5	5.0 as Mn	1.0 as Mn
Phosphorous (P)	7723-14-0	0.1 as P	0.1 as P
Sulfur (S)	7704-34-9	13 (Sulfur Dioxide)	5 (Sulfur Dioxide)
Silicon (Si)	7440-21-3	None Listed	None Listed
Chromium (Cr)	7440-47-3	1.0 as Cr	0.5 as Cr
Nickel (Ni)	7440-02-0	1.0 as Ni	1.0 as Ni
Molybdenum (Mo)	7439-98-7	5.0 Sol. Cmpds	5.0 Sol. Cmpds
Nitrogen (N)	7727-37-9	None Listed	Simple Asphyxiant
<u>Base Metal</u>			
Iron (Fe)	7439-89-6	(Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> Fume)	5 (Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> Fume)

Notes:

- Threshold Limit Values (TLV) established by the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH 2011) are 8-hour Time Weighted Average concentrations unless otherwise noted.

APPROPRIATE ENGINEERING CONTROLS: Provide general or local exhaust to minimize airborne concentrations during milling, grinding, melting and welding operations.

INDIVIDUAL PROTECTIVE MEASURES: Dependent upon process being performed on material each operation must be addressed for suitable equipment.

GLOVES (Specify): Wear gloves as required EYES (Specify): Safety glasses or goggles as required.

CLOTHING (Specify): N/A FOOTWEAR (Specify): N/A

RESPIRATOR (Specify): If concentrations exceed established limits use NIOSH/MSHA approved particulate respirators (dust & fume or high efficiency dust fume) when grinding or welding.

OTHER (Specify): N/A

### 9. Physical and chemical properties

PHYSICAL STATE: Solid	APPEARANCE: Silver Grey Metallic (Steel)
ODOR: Not Applicable	ODOR THRESHOLD: Not Applicable
pH: Not Applicable	MELTING POINT: 1530°C (2786°F)
BOILING POINT: Not Applicable	FLASH POINT (°C): N/A
EVAPORATION RATE: Not Applicable	FLAMMIBILITY (solid, Gas): Not flammable
UPPER FLAMMABLE LIMIT %: Not Applicable	LOWER FLAMMABLE LIMIT %: Not Applicable
VAPOUR PRESSURE: Not Applicable	VAPOUR DENSITY: Not Applicable
RELATIVE DENSITY: 7.86	SPECIFIC GRAVITY: No data
SOLUBILITY: Not soluble	PARTITION COEFFICIENT: No data
AUTO-IGNITION TEMP (°C): Not Applicable	DECOMPOSITION TEMPERATURE: No data
VISCOSITY: Not Applicable	
OTHER INFORMATION: Not Applicable	

### 10. Stability and reactivity

REACTIVITY: Not determined for product in solid form.  
CHEMICAL STABILITY: Yes. Steel products are stable under normal storage and handling conditions.  
POSSIBILITY OF HAZARDOUS REACTIONS: Hazardous polymerization cannot occur.  
CONDITIONS TO AVOID: Contact with mineral acids will release flammable hydrogen gas. Dust formation.  
INCOMPATIBLE MATERIALS: Yes, strong acids.  
HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS: Not Applicable.

### 11. Toxicological information

LIKELY ROUTES OF ENTRY: None for stainless steel in its natural solid state.  
EYES: High concentrations of dust may cause irritation to the eyes.  
SKIN: Prolonged skin contact with coated steel may cause skin irritation in sensitive individuals.  
INHALATION: Inhalation of metal particulate or elemental oxide fumes generated during welding, burning, grinding or machining may pose acute or chronic health effects.  
SYMPTOMS RELATED TO THE PHYSICAL, CHEMICAL AND TOXICOLOGICAL CHARACTERISTICS: None for stainless steel in its natural solid state.  
EFFECTS OF ACUTE EXPOSURE TO MATERIAL: MANGANESE & COPPER: Inhalation overexposure to manganese or copper (or zinc coated products) may cause metal fume fever characterized by fever and chills (i.e. flu-like symptoms) which appear 4-6 hours after exposure with no long-term effects.  
EFFECTS OF CHRONIC EXPOSURE TO MATERIAL:  
CHROMIUM: IARC lists certain hexavalent chromium compounds under its Group 1 category - "confirmed human carcinogens" and metallic chromium under its Group 3 category - "not classifiable as to their carcinogenicity to humans". Chromium metal is classified as carcinogenic by NTP.  
NICKEL: IARC lists metallic nickel under its Group 2B category - "possibly carcinogenic to humans". Nickel may cause skin sensitivity  
COBALT: Cobalt dust may result in an asthma-like condition (cough, shortness of breath). IARC lists metallic cobalt under its Group 2B category - "possibly carcinogenic to humans".  
IRON: Inhalation overexposures may cause a benign pneumoconiosis (siderosis) with few or no symptoms.  
MANGANESE: Existing studies are inadequate to assess its carcinogenicity. Susceptible to Parkinson's disease, metal fume fever and kidney damage.  
STOT (Single Exposure): No data.  
STOT (Repeated Exposures): Respiratory system. Allergic skin reactions.  
MUTAGENICITY OF MATERIAL: N/A  
REPRODUCTIVE EFFECTS: N/A  
TERATOGENICITY OF MATERIAL: N/A  
CARCINOGENICITY OF MATERIAL:  
CHROMIUM: IARC lists certain hexavalent chromium compounds under its Group 1 category - "confirmed human carcinogens" and metallic chromium under its Group 3 category - "not classifiable as to their carcinogenicity to humans".  
NICKEL: IARC lists metallic nickel under its Group 2B category - "possibly carcinogenic to humans".  
COBALT: IARC lists metallic cobalt under its Group 2B category - "possibly carcinogenic to humans".  
SYNERGISTIC MATERIALS: N/A  
ASPIRATION HAZARD: No data.

SENSITIZATION OF MATERIAL: N/A

LD50 (of Material): Not established

LC50 (of Material): Not established

## Notes:

- STOT – Specific Target Organ Toxicity
- International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) - Summaries & Evaluations (2008).
- 3rd Annual Report on Carcinogens as prepared by the National Toxicology Program (NTP).
- Iron containing welding fume has an exposure limit of 5 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (ACGIH-TLV's 2011). Welding fume may also contain contaminants from fluxes or welding consumables. Prolonged skin contact may cause reddening and drying of skin or dermatitis in sensitive individuals due to nickel and/or chromium content in steel.

**12. Ecological Information**

ECOTOXICITY: No data available for the stainless steel in its natural solid state. However, individual components of the material have been found to be toxic to the environment.

COMPONENT	TOXICITY TO FISH	TOXICITY TO ALGAE	TOXICITY TO MICROORGANISMS
Iron	LC50 Common Carp 96 hr. 0.56 mg/l	-	-
Chromium	LC50 Fathead minnow 96 hr. 10-100 mg/l	-	-
Nickel	LC50 Common Carp 96 hr. 1.3 mg/l	EC50 Freshwater Algae 72 hr. 0.18 mg/l	EC50 Water Flea 48 hr. 1.0 mg/l

PERSISTENCE AND DEGRADABILITY: No data available.

BIOACCUMULATIVE POTENTIAL: No data available.

MOBILITY IN SOIL: No data available for stainless steel in its natural solid state. Individual metal dusts may migrate into soil and groundwater and be absorbed by plants.

OTHER ADVERSE EFFECTS: None known.

**13. Disposal Considerations**

WASTE DISPOSAL METHODS: Steel scrap should be recycled whenever possible.

CONTAINER CLEANING &amp; DISPOSAL: Dispose of in accordance with applicable federal, provincial/state or local regulations.

**14. Transport information**GENERAL SHIPPING INFORMATION: Stainless steel not regulated for shipping.

SHIPPING NAME AND DESCRIPTION: N/A

UN NUMBER: N/A

HAZARD CLASS: N/A

PACKING GROUP/RISK GROUP: N/A

TRANSPORT REGULATIONS:

Canadian Transportation of Dangerous Goods Regulations (TDG) March 2011.

US Department of Transport (DOT) Hazardous Materials shipping information (Title 49 - Transportation March 2011).

**15. Regulatory Information**

REGULATORY INFORMATION: The following listing of regulations relating to a Russel Metals Inc. product may not be complete and should not be solely relied upon for all regulatory compliance responsibilities.

ADDITIONAL CANADIAN REGULATIONS:

WHMIS CLASSIFICATION: Class D2A/D2B: Materials Causing Other Toxic Effects.

DOMESTIC SUBSTANCES LIST: The components of this material are on the federal DSL Inventory.

OTHER CANADIAN REGULATIONS: N/A

ADDITIONAL U.S. REGULATIONS:

SARA: The components of this material are subject to the reporting requirements of Sections 302, 304 and 313 of Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA – Oct. 2006).

SARA THRESHOLD PLANNING QUANTITY: There are no specific Threshold Planning Quantities for the components of this material. The default Federal MSDS submission and inventory requirement filing threshold of 10,000 lbs. (4,540 kg) therefore applies, per 40 CFR 370.20.

TSCA INVENTORY STATUS: The components of this material are listed on the Toxic Substances Control Act Inventory.

CERCLA REPORTABLE QUANTITY (RQ): RQ's for Hazardous Substances in the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act are: Chromium = 5000 lb. (2270 kg); Copper = 5000 lb. (2270 kg); Nickel = 100 lb. (45 kg).

CALIFORNIA (PROPOSITION 65): The Chromium (VI) component of this material is known in the State of California to cause cancer.

The Nickel component of this material is known in the State of California to cause cancer.

The Cobalt component of this material is known in the State of California to cause cancer.

OTHER U.S. FEDERAL REGULATIONS: N/A.

## ADDITIONAL EUROPEAN UNION REGULATIONS:

RoHS & WEEE: This MSDS follows the European Union Directive "Restriction on the Use of Certain Hazardous Substances (RoHS) in Electrical and Electronic Equipment" (2002/95/EC) and the "Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE)" Directive (2002/96/EC).

Lead (Pb): Lead is not intentionally added to stainless steel however, it may exist in trace levels. Although not analyzed, lead levels in steel are typically well below the EU Directive limit of 0.1%. Note, the EU Directive has a lead exemption limit of up to 0.35% as an alloying element in steel.

Chromium VI (Cr +6): The hexavalent oxidation state of chromium does not normally exist as part of a metal or alloy.

**16. Other information**

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