

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

## 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

### 1.1 Product identifier

**Product name** LEAD

**Synonyms** 1010 TO 2070 - PRODUCT CODE • 9010 - PRODUCT CODE • BISMUTH LEAD ALLOY • LEAD BLOCK • LEAD BULLION • LEAD PIG • VRLA INGOT

### 1.2 Uses and uses advised against

**Uses** INDUSTRIAL APPLICATIONS

### 1.3 Details of the supplier of the product

**Supplier name** NYRSTAR PORT PIRIE

**Address** PO Box 219, Port Pirie, SA, 5540, AUSTRALIA

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**Website** <http://www.nyrstar.com>

### 1.4 Emergency telephone numbers

**Emergency** (08) 8638 1500

## 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

CLASSIFIED AS HAZARDOUS ACCORDING TO SAFE WORK AUSTRALIA CRITERIA

#### Physical Hazards

Not classified as a Physical Hazard

#### Health Hazards

Acute Toxicity: Oral: Category 4

Acute Toxicity: Inhalation: Category 4

Toxic to Reproduction: Category 1A

Specific Target Organ Toxicity (Repeated Exposure): Category 2

#### Environmental Hazards

Not classified as an Environmental Hazard

### 2.2 GHS Label elements

**Signal word** DANGER

#### Pictograms



#### Hazard statements

H302 Harmful if swallowed.

H332 Harmful if inhaled.

H360 May damage fertility or the unborn child.

H373 May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

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### Prevention statements

P202	Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.
P260	Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.
P264	Wash thoroughly after handling.
P270	Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
P271	Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.
P280	Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection/hearing protection.

### Response statements

P304 + P340	IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.
P308 + P313	IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/ attention.
P330	Rinse mouth.

### Storage statements

P405	Store locked up.
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### Disposal statements

P501	Dispose of contents/container in accordance with relevant regulations.
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### 2.3 Other hazards

Toxic effects of Lead and alloying metals arise from exposure to dust, fume, vapour or mist forms and are not considered toxic in solid (metal) form.

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## 3. COMPOSITION/ INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

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### 3.1 Substances / Mixtures

Ingredient	CAS Number	EC Number	Content
LEAD	7439-92-1	231-100-4	>97%

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## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

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### 4.1 Description of first aid measures

<b>Eye</b>	Exposure is considered unlikely.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Due to product form / nature of use, an inhalation hazard is not anticipated.
<b>Skin</b>	Exposure is considered unlikely. Skin irritation is not anticipated.
<b>Ingestion</b>	For advice, contact a Poisons Information Centre on 13 11 26 (Australia Wide) or a doctor (at once). Due to product form and application, ingestion is considered unlikely.
<b>First aid facilities</b>	None allocated.

### 4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

See Section 11 for more detailed information on health effects and symptoms.

### 4.3 Immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Treat symptomatically.

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## 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

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### 5.1 Extinguishing media

Use an extinguishing agent suitable for the surrounding fire.

### 5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Non flammable. May evolve toxic gases (lead oxides) when heated to decomposition.

### 5.3 Advice for firefighters

No fire or explosion hazard exists.

### 5.4 Hazchem code

None allocated.

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## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

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### 6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Wear Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) as detailed in section 8 of the SDS.

### 6.2 Environmental precautions

Prevent product from entering drains and waterways.

### 6.3 Methods of cleaning up

If spilt, collect and return to manufacturer.

### 6.4 Reference to other sections

See Sections 8 and 13 for exposure controls and disposal.

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## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

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### 7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Before use carefully read the product label. Use of safe work practices are recommended to avoid eye or skin contact and inhalation. Observe good personal hygiene, including washing hands before eating. Prohibit eating, drinking and smoking in contaminated areas.

### 7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store removed from incompatible substances and foodstuffs. Ensure product is adequately labelled.

### 7.3 Specific end uses

No information provided.

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## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

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### 8.1 Control parameters

#### Exposure standards

Ingredient	Reference	TWA		STEL	
		ppm	mg/m <sup>3</sup>	ppm	mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Lead, inorganic dusts & fumes (as Pb)	SWA [AUS]	--	0.05	--	--

#### Biological limits

Ingredient	Reference	Determinant	Sampling Time	BEI
LEAD	ACGIH BEI	Lead in blood	Not critical	200 µg/L
	ACGIH BEI	Lead in blood (women of child bearing potential)	Not critical	10 µg/100ml
	SWA [AUS]	Lead in blood	Not critical	30 µg/dL
	SWA [AUS]	Lead in blood (women of child bearing potential)	Not critical	10 µg/dL

### 8.2 Exposure controls

**Engineering controls** No special precautions are normally required when handling this product. Maintain dust / fume levels below the recommended exposure standard.

#### PPE

<b>Eye / Face</b>	Wear safety glasses.
<b>Hands</b>	Wear leather gloves.
<b>Body</b>	Wear safety boots.
<b>Respiratory</b>	Not required under normal conditions of use.



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## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

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**9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

<b>Appearance</b>	BLUE/WHITE SILVERY/GREY METALLIC SOLID (25 KG INGOTS, 1 TONNE AND 2 TONNE BLOCKS)
<b>Odour</b>	ODOURLESS
<b>Flammability</b>	NON FLAMMABLE
<b>Flash point</b>	NOT RELEVANT
<b>Boiling point</b>	1740°C
<b>Melting point</b>	327°C
<b>Evaporation rate</b>	NOT RELEVANT
<b>pH</b>	NOT RELEVANT
<b>Vapour density</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Relative density</b>	11.34
<b>Solubility (water)</b>	INSOLUBLE
<b>Vapour pressure</b>	1 mm Hg @ 973°C
<b>Upper explosion limit</b>	NOT RELEVANT
<b>Lower explosion limit</b>	NOT RELEVANT
<b>Partition coefficient</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Autoignition temperature</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Decomposition temperature</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Viscosity</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Explosive properties</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Oxidising properties</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Odour threshold</b>	NOT AVAILABLE

**9.2 Other information**

<b>% Volatiles</b>	NOT RELEVANT
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**10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

**10.1 Reactivity**

No reactivity hazard other than the effects described in sub-sections below.

**10.2 Chemical stability**

Stable under recommended conditions of storage.

**10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions**

Polymerization is not expected to occur.

**10.4 Conditions to avoid**

Avoid contact with incompatible substances.

**10.5 Incompatible materials**

Incompatible with oxidising agents (e.g. hypochlorites) and acids (e.g. nitric acid).

**10.6 Hazardous decomposition products**

May evolve toxic gases (lead oxides) when heated to decomposition.

**11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

**11.1 Information on toxicological effects**

**Acute toxicity** Lead is expected to be harmful if swallowed, in contact with skin, and/or if inhaled.

**Information available for the ingredients:**

Ingredient	Oral LD50	Dermal LD50	Inhalation LC50
LEAD	50 mg/kg to 600 mg/kg (calf)	--	--

**Skin** Non irritant. Metallic lead is very poorly absorbed through the skin and is therefore not considered a hazard through this route of exposure.

**Eye** Exposure considered unlikely. Due to product form and nature of use, the potential for exposure is reduced.

**Sensitisation** Not classified as causing skin or respiratory sensitisation.

**Mutagenicity** The evidence for genotoxic effects of lead is contradictory, with numerous studies reporting both positive and negative effects. Responses appear to be induced by indirect mechanisms, mostly at very high

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concentrations that lack physiological relevance.

**Carcinogenicity**

Lead compounds (inorganic) are classified as probably carcinogenic to humans (IARC Group 2A).

**Reproductive**

There is sufficient data to indicate that lead compounds may damage fertility or the unborn child.

**STOT - single exposure**

Not classified as causing organ damage from single exposure. Due to the product form (solid), an inhalation hazard is not anticipated.

**STOT - repeated exposure**

Lead is a cumulative poison and may be absorbed into the body through ingestion or inhalation. Lead has been documented in observational human studies to produce toxicity in multiple organ systems and body function including the haematopoietic (blood) system, kidney function, reproductive function and the central nervous system.

**Aspiration**

Not applicable for solids.

**12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION****12.1 Toxicity**

Due to product form and low solubility, the environmental impact of this product is expected to be reduced. However, should the product dissolve slightly following prolonged immersion in waterways, the soluble lead compounds will be toxic to aquatic organisms, livestock and irrigable plants.

**12.2 Persistence and degradability**

Inorganic lead does not degrade.

**12.3 Bioaccumulative potential**

Inorganic lead is considered to be bioaccumulating in the environment, and may accumulate in aquatic and terrestrial plants and animals.

**12.4 Mobility in soil**

Insoluble in water.

**12.5 Other adverse effects**

No information provided.

**13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS****13.1 Waste treatment methods**

**Waste disposal** Return to manufacturer/supplier where possible. Contact the manufacturer/supplier for additional information (if required).

**Legislation** Dispose of in accordance with relevant local legislation.

**14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION****NOT CLASSIFIED AS A DANGEROUS GOOD BY THE CRITERIA OF THE ADG CODE, IMDG OR IATA**

	LAND TRANSPORT (ADG)	SEA TRANSPORT (IMDG / IMO)	AIR TRANSPORT (IATA / ICAO)
<b>14.1 UN Number</b>	None allocated.	None allocated.	None allocated.
<b>14.2 Proper Shipping Name</b>	None allocated.	None allocated.	None allocated.
<b>14.3 Transport hazard class</b>	None allocated.	None allocated.	None allocated.
<b>14.4 Packing Group</b>	None allocated.	None allocated.	None allocated.

**14.5 Environmental hazards**

No information provided.

**14.6 Special precautions for user**

**Hazchem code** None allocated.

**Other information** Solid material not regulated for transport under 2.3.2.1.3 of the Australian Dangerous Goods (ADG) and International Maritime Dangerous Goods (IMDG) codes, and under 3.6.1.5.3 of the International Air Transport Association (IATA).

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## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

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### 15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

<b>Poison schedule</b>	Classified as a Schedule 6 (S6) Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP).
<b>Classifications</b>	Safe Work Australia criteria is based on the Globally Harmonised System (GHS) of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS Revision 7).
<b>Inventory listings</b>	<b>AUSTRALIA: AIIIC (Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals)</b> All components are listed on AIIIC, or are exempt.

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## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

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<b>Additional information</b>	<p><b>EXPOSURE STANDARDS - TIME WEIGHTED AVERAGES:</b> Exposure standards are established on the premise of an 8 hour work period of normal intensity, under normal climatic conditions and where a 16 hour break between shifts exists to enable the body to eliminate absorbed contaminants. In the following circumstances, exposure standards must be reduced: Strenuous work conditions; hot, humid climates; high altitude conditions; extended shifts (which increase the exposure period and shorten the period of recuperation).</p> <p><b>IARC GROUP 2B - POSSIBLE HUMAN CARCINOGEN.</b> This product contains an ingredient which has demonstrated sufficient evidence to have been classified by the International Agency for Research into Cancer (IARC) as possibly carcinogenic to humans and whose use should be strictly monitored and controlled.</p> <p><b>RESPIRATORS:</b> In general the use of respirators should be limited and engineering controls employed to avoid exposure. If respiratory equipment must be worn ensure correct respirator selection and training is undertaken. Remember that some respirators may be extremely uncomfortable when used for long periods. The use of air powered or air supplied respirators should be considered where prolonged or repeated use is necessary.</p> <p><b>PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT GUIDELINES:</b> The recommendation for protective equipment contained within this report is provided as a guide only. Factors such as form of product, method of application, working environment, quantity used, product concentration and the availability of engineering controls should be considered before final selection of personal protective equipment is made.</p> <p><b>HEALTH EFFECTS FROM EXPOSURE:</b> It should be noted that the effects from exposure to this product will depend on several factors including: form of product; frequency and duration of use; quantity used; effectiveness of control measures; protective equipment used and method of application. Given that it is impractical to prepare a report which would encompass all possible scenarios, it is anticipated that users will assess the risks and apply control methods where appropriate.</p>
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**Abbreviations**

ACGIH	American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists
CAS #	Chemical Abstract Service number - used to uniquely identify chemical compounds
CNS	Central Nervous System
EC No.	EC No - European Community Number
EMS	Emergency Schedules (Emergency Procedures for Ships Carrying Dangerous Goods)
GHS	Globally Harmonized System
GTEPG	Group Text Emergency Procedure Guide
IARC	International Agency for Research on Cancer
LC50	Lethal Concentration, 50% / Median Lethal Concentration
LD50	Lethal Dose, 50% / Median Lethal Dose
mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Milligrams per Cubic Metre
OEL	Occupational Exposure Limit
pH	relates to hydrogen ion concentration using a scale of 0 (high acidic) to 14 (highly alkaline).
ppm	Parts Per Million
STEL	Short-Term Exposure Limit
STOT-RE	Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure)
STOT-SE	Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)
SUSMP	Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons
SWA	Safe Work Australia
TLV	Threshold Limit Value
TWA	Time Weighted Average

**Report status**

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