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### 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

PRODUCT NAME: UNITHERM POWDERS: POLARIS P

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### 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

**Emergency Overview:** These products are normally not considered hazardous as shipped. Avoid inhalation of dust or eye contact from these produces. When these produces are used in a welding process, the most important hazards are heat, radiation, electric shock and inhalation of welding fumes.

Classification of the Substance/Mixture

CLP/GHS Classification (1272/2008):

Skin Sensitization, Category 1

Skin Irritation, Category 2

Eye Irritation, Category 2

Carcinogenicity, Category 2

Specific Target Organ Toxicity (Single Exposure), Category 3

EU Classification (67/548/EEC):

Toxic (T), Harmful (Xn), Irritant (Xi), Carcinogen Category 3, R48/23, R40, R36/37/38, R43

Labelling:

Symbols:









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### Signal Word: Danger Hazard Statements:

H228 - Flammable Solid.

H315 - Causes skin irritation.

**H317** – May cause an allergic skin reaction.

H319 - Causes serious eye irritation.

**H351** – Suspected of causing cancer.

H372 - Cause damage to respiratory system, eyes, brain and nervous system through prolonged or repeated exposure.

**H400** - Very toxic to aquatic life.

**H412** - Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

### **Precautionary Statements:**

P201 - Obtain special instructions before use.

**P202** – Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.

P210 - Keep away from heat/sparks/open flame/hot surfaces - No smoking.

**P260** – Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray.

P264 - Wash skin and hair thoroughly after handling.

**P270** – Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.

**P271** – Use only outdoors or in well-ventilated area.

**P272** – Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace.

P273 - Avoid release to the environment.

**P280** – Wear protective gloves/eye protection/face protection.

**P281** – Use personal protective equipment as required.

P302+P352 – IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.

P304+P341 - IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.

**P305+P351+P338** – IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

P308+P313 – IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention.

P333+P313 – IF skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice/attention.

P337+P313 – IF eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.

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

P314 – Get medical advice/attention if you feel unwell.

P362 - Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse.

P363 – Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

**P391** - Collect spillage.

**P403+P233** – Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.

P405 - Store locked up.

**P501** – Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.



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3. COMPOSITION	ON/INFORMAT	TION ON INC	REDIENTS			1			
Chemical Identity	CAS#	Range %	OSHA PEL	ACGIH-TLV	Carcinogenicity	EU Classifica (67/548/EE		CLP/GHS Classification	(1272/2008)
			(mg/m3)	(mg/m3)					
Molybdenum	7439-89-6	1-32	15	10	No	(F) R11		(H228) Flam. Sol. 2	<b>③</b>
#Chromium	7440-47-3	<1-40	1.0 (Metal) .05 (Cr II & Cr IIII Compounds) 0.005 (Cr VI Compounds) 0.01 (Cr VI Insoluble Compounds)	0.5 (Metal) 0.5 (Cr IIII Compounds) 0.05 Cr VI Soluble Compounds)	Yes	Not Dangerous		(H400) Aquatic Acute 1	Ŷ.
Boron	7440-42-8	1-5	NR	5	No	(Xn) R22	8	(H302) Acute Tox. 4	<b></b>
#Copper 7440-50-8		1-11	0.1 (as fume)	0.2 (as fume)	No	(F) R11 (N) R50	*	(H228) Flam. Sol. 2	<b>(3)</b>
	7440-50-8						Y	(H400) Aquatic Acute 1	<
	7440-33-7	55-65	5	5	No	(Xi) R36/38 (F) R11	×	(H315) Skin Irrit. 2	<b>♦</b>
Tungsten							*	(H319) Eye Irrit 2A	<b>(1)</b>
							O	(H228) Flam. Sol. 1	<b>③</b>
#Aluminum	7429-90-5	1-11	15	10	No	(F) R11-15	ð	(H228) Flam. Sol.1 (H261) Water-react. 3	<b>♦</b>
#Nickel	7440-02-0	0-02-0 30-73	1	1	Yes	Carc. Cat. 3			
						(Xn) R40	×	(H317) Skin Sens. 1	
						(Xi) R43	×	(H351) Carc. 2	
						(T) R48/23		(H372) STOT RE 1	
Iron	7439-89-6	1-11	10 ( as Fe2O3 )	10 (as Fe203)	No	Not Dangerous		Not Hazardous	
Silicon	7440-21-3	1-5	10	10	No	(F) R11	8	(H228) Flam. Sol 2	<b>&amp;</b>

Important: This section covers the materials of which the products manufactured. The fumes and gases produced during normal use of this product are covered in section 10. The term "Hazardous" in "Hazardous Material" should be interpreted as a term required and defined in OSHA Hazard Communication Standard 29CFR 1910-1200 and it does not necessarily imply the existence of hazard. The chemicals or compounds reportable by Section 313 of SARA are marked by the symbol #.

### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

**Inhalation:** Remove to fresh air immediately or administer oxygen. Get medical attention immediately. **Skin:** Flush skin with large amounts of water. If irritation develops and persists, get medical attention.

Eye: Flush eyes with water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.

Ingestion: Obtain medical attention immediately if ingested.



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#### **5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES**

**Suitable Extinguishing Media:** Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide. Welding arcs and sparks can ignite combustible and flammable materials. Use the extinguishing media recommended for the burning material and fire situation.

Unsuitable Extinguishing Media: Not applicable

**Specific Hazards Arising From Chemical:** Arcs and sparks can ignite combustibles and flammable products. Iron oxides, Silicon oxides, Chromium oxide, Nickel/nickel oxides, Aluminum oxides, Tungsten oxide.

Protective Equipment: Fire fighters should wear complete protective clothing including self-contained breathing apparatus.

#### 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

**Personal Precautions:** Refer to section 8. **Environment Precautions:** Refer to section 13.

**Cleaning Measures:** Solid objects may be picked up and placed into a container. Liquids or pastes should be scooped up and placed into a container. Wear proper protective equipment while handling these materials. Do not discard as refuse.

### 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

**Precautions for Safe Handling:** Handle with care to avoid stings or cuts. Wear gloves when handling welding consumables. Avoid exposure to dust. Do not ingest. Some individuals can develop an allergic reaction to certain materials. Retain all warning and identity labels.

**Conditions for Safe Storage:** Store in dry place in closed packages. Keep separate from chemical substances like acids and strong bases, which could cause chemical reactions.

### 8. EXPOSURE CONTROL/PERSONAL PROTECTION

**Engineering Controls:** Avoid exposure to welding fumes, radiation, spatter, electric shock, heated materials and dust. Ensure sufficient ventilation, local exhaust, or both, to keep welding fumes and gases from breathing zone and general area. Keep work place and protective clothing clean and dry. Train welders to avoid contact with live electrical parts and insulate conductive parts. Check condition of protective clothing and equipment on a regular basis.

**Exposure limits:** Use industrial hygiene equipment to ensure that exposure does not exceed applicable national exposure limits. The limits defined under section 3 can be used as guidance. Unless noted, all values are for 8 hour time weighted average. For information about welding fume analysis refer to section 10.

Biological limits: No available data

#### Personal protection:

Respiratory protection: Use an air purifying dust respirator when welding or brazing in a confined space, or when local exhaust or ventilation is not sufficient to keep exposure values within safe limits.

Hands protection: Wear appropriate gloves to prevent skin contact.

EN 12477: Protection gloves for welders



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Requirements (EN Levels)	Type A	Type B
Abrasion (Cycles)	2 (500)	1 (100)
Cut (Factor)	1 (1.2)	1 (1.2)
Tear (Newton)	2 (25)	1 (10)
Puncture (Newton)	2 (60)	1 (20)
Burning Behavior	3	2
Contact Heat	1	1
Convective Heat	2	-
Small Splashes	3	2
Dexterity	1 (11)	4 (6.5)

Type B gloves are recommended when high dexterity is required as for TIG welding, while type A gloves are recommended for other welding processes. The contact temp (°C) is 100 and the threshold time (seconds) >15.

**Eyes protection:** Welder's helmet or face shield with color absorbing lenses. Shield and filter to provide protection from harmful UV radiation, infra red and molten metal approved to standard EN379. Filter shade to be a minimum of shade 9. **Skin protection:** Heat-resistant protective clothing. Wear safety boots, apron, arm and shoulder protection. Keep protective clothing clean and dry. Clothing should be selected to suit the level, duration and purpose of the welding activity.

	Class 1				
Impact of Spatter	atter 15 Drops				
Heat Transfer (radiation)	RHTI 24 ≥ 7 seconds				
Process	Manual welding with light formation of spatter and drops				
	Gas Welding				
	TIG Welding				
	MIG Welding				
	Micro plasma welding				
	Brazing				
	Spot Welding				
	<ul> <li>MMA Welding (with rutile-covered electrode)</li> </ul>				
Environmental Conditions	Operation of machines				
	Oxygen cutting machines				
	Plasma cutting machines				
	Resistance welding machines				
	Machines for thermal spraying				
	Bench welding				



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Class 2			
Impact of Spatter	25 Drops		
Heat Transfer (radiation) RHTI 24 ≥ 16 seconds			
Process	Manual welding with heavy formation of spatter and drops		
	<ul> <li>MMA welding (with basic or cellulose-covered electrodes)</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>MAG welding (with CO2 or mixed gases)</li> </ul>		
	<ul><li>MIG Welding (with high current)</li><li>Self shielded flux core arc welding</li></ul>		
	<ul><li>Plasma cutting</li><li>Gouging</li></ul>		
	Oxygen cutting		
	Thermal spraying		
Environmental Conditions	Operation of machines		
	In confined spaces		
	<ul> <li>At overhead welding/cutting or in comparable constrained positions</li> </ul>		

### 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance: Powder

Color: None
Odor: Odorless

Odor Threshold: Not Available Specific Gravity: 7.5 (H2O=1)

Melting Point/Melting Range: 1981 Degrees F, 1083 Degrees C

Freezing Point: Not Available

**Boiling Point/Boiling Range:** Not Available

Flash point: Not Available

Evaporation Rate: Not Available
Self-in flammability: Not Available
Explosion limits: Not Available
Vapor pressure: Not Available
Bulk density: 4.2 g/cc (262 lb./ft3)
Density at 20°C: Not Available
Relative density: 6-9 g/cm3
Solubility: Insoluble in water.
Partition coefficient: Not Available

**Auto-ignition temperature:** Not Available **Decomposition temperature:** Not Available

Other Information: No available data.



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#### 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**Chemical Stability:** This product is stable under normal conditions.

Hazardous Reactions: Contact with chemical substances like acids or strong bases cause generation of gas.

Conditions to Avoid: Copper can form an unstable acetylide if in contact with acetylene gas.

Incompatible Materials: Reacts with acid.

Hazardous Decomposition Products: When this product is used in a welding process, hazardous decomposition product would include those from volatilization, reaction or oxidation of the material listed in section 3 and those from the base metal and coating. The amount of fumes generated from this product varies with welding parameters and dimensions. Refer to applicable national exposure limits for fume compounds, including those exposure limits for fume compounds found in section 3. Manganese and nickel have low exposure limits, in some countries, which may be easily exceeded. Reasonably expect gaseous products would include carbon oxides, nitrogen oxides and ozone. Air contaminants around the welding area can be affected by the welding process and influence the composition and quality of fumes and gases produced.

### 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Signs and Symptoms of Overexposure: Inhalation of welding fumes and gases can be dangerous to your health. Classification of welding fumes is difficult because of varying base materials, coatings, air contaminants and processes. The Internal Agency for Research on Cancer has classified welding fumes as possible carcinogenic to humans (Group 2B).

Acute Effects: Overexposure to welding fumes may result in symptoms like metal fume fever, dizziness, nausea, dryness or irritation of the nose, throat or eyes. Copper: Acute exposure to copper may cause capillary damage, headache, cold sweat, weak pulse, kidney and liver damage, central nervous system excitation followed by depression, jaundice, convulsions, paralysis and coma. Death may occur from shock or renal failure.

LD/LC50 Values the	LD/LC50 Values that are relevant for classification				
Iron 7439-89-6					
Oral	LD50	30000 mg/kg (rat)			
LD/LC50 Values the	at are relevant for classificat	ion			
Boron 7440-47-3					
Oral	LD50	650 mg/kg (rat)			
LD/LC50 Values the	at are relevant for classificat	ion			
Chromium 7440-4	7-3				
Oral	LD50, LCD50	19.8 ->15900 mg/kg (rat)			
Inhalation	LC50	>888 mg/L/4 hr. (rat)			
LD/LC50 Values that are relevant for classification					
Silicon 7440-21-3					
Oral	LD50	3160 mg/kg (rat)			



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LD/LC50 Values that are relevant for classification				
Molybdenum 7439-98-7				
Oral	LD50	4461 mg/kg (rat)		
Inhalation	LC50	5.1 mg/L/4hr. (rat)		
Dermal	LD50	>2000 mg/kg (rabbit)		

LD/LC50 Values that are relevant for classification				
Nickel 7440-02-0				
Oral	LD50	>9000 mg/kg (rat)		
Inhalation	LC50	>10.2 mg/L/1 hr. (rat)		

LD/LC50 Values that are relevant for classification				
Copper 7440-50-8				
Oral	LD50	>2000 mg/kg (rat)		
Inhalation	LC50	5.1 mg/L/4h. (rat)		
Dermal	LD50	>2000 mg/kg (rat)		

LD/LC50 Values that are relevant for classification				
Aluminum 7429-90-5				
Oral	LD50	>15900 mg/kg (rat)		
Inhalation	LC50	>.888 mg/L/4 hr. (rat)		
	LC50	.12 mg/l (96) (rainbow trout)		

**Chronic Effects:** Overexposure to welding fumes may affect pulmonary function and eyes. Pre-existing pulmonary diseases (e.g., bronchitis, asthma) may be aggravated by inhalation exposure, particularly as fume. Chronic copper poisoning is typified by hepatic cirrhosis, brain damage and demyelination, kidney defects and copper deposition in the cornea as exemplified by humans with Wilson's disease. It has also been reported that copper poisoning has led to hemolytic anemia and accelerates arteriosclerosis. Prolonged inhalation of nickel (Classified 2B by IARC and R by NTP) above safe exposure limits may cause cancer. Long term inhalation exposure to iron (oxide fume or dust) can cause siderosis.



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#### 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Toxicity:** Welding rods contain metals which are considered to be very toxic towards aquatic organisms. Finely divided welding rods are therefore considered harmful to aquatic organisms.

**Persistence and Degradability:** The welding rods consist of elements that can not degrade any further in the environment. **Bio accumulative Potential:** Welding rods contain heavy metals which bio accumulates in the food chain. The following figures are the bio concentration factor (BCF) for the substances on their own.

BCF:

Chromium, BCF: 200 Copper, BCF: 29 Nickel, BCF: 16 Iron, BCF: 140000 Aluminum, BCF: 18 Copper, BCF: 29

Mobility in Soil: Welding rods are not soluble in water or soil. Particles formed by working welding rods can be transported

in the air.

Other Adverse Effects: No available data.

Welding materials could degrade into components originating from the materials used in the welding process. Avoid exposure to conditions that could lead to accumulation in soils or groundwater. Harmful to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.

#### 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

**Product:** For product elimination, consult recycling companies or appropriate local authority. **Package:** May be disposed in approved landfills provided local regulations are observed.

### **14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

**UN-number:** Welding rods are not classified as dangerous goods for transport and have no UN number.

**UN proper shipping name:** Welding rods are not classified as dangerous goods for transport and has no UN proper shipping name.

Transport hazard class: Welding rods are not classified as dangerous goods for transport.

**Packing group:** There are not any special precautions with which a user should or must comply or be aware of in connection with transport or conveyance either within or outside premises.

**Environmental hazards:** Welding rods are not environmentally hazardous according to the criteria of the UN Model Regulations (as reflected in the IMDG Code, ADR, RID and AND) and/or a marine pollutant to the IMDG Code.

**Special precautions for users:** There are not any special precautions which a user should or must comply or be aware of in connection with transport or conveyance either within or outside premises of the welding rod.

Transport in Bulk According to Annex III MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code: Welding rods in massive form do not subject under MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code. Not applicable – product is transported only in packaged form.



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#### 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Safety, health and environment regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture: Read and understand the manufacturer's instructions, your employer's safety practices and the health and safety instructions on the label. Observe any federal and local regulations. Take precautions when welding and protect yourself and others.

**Warning:** Welding fumes and gases are hazardous to your health and may damage lungs and other organs. Use adequate ventilation. Electric shock can kill. Arc rays and sparks can injure eyes and burn skin. Wear correct hand, head, eye and body protection.

#### Chemical safety assessment: No

**USA:** Under the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard, this product is considered hazardous. 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 § 25249.5 et seq.) United States EPA Toxic Substance Control Act: All constituents of this product are on the TSCA inventory list or are excluded from listing.

#### **EPCRA/SARA Title III Toxic Chemicals**

The following metallic components are listed as SARA 313 "Toxic Chemicals" and potential subject to annual SARA reporting. See Section 3 for weight percentage.

Ingredient Name	Disclosure Threshold
Aluminum	15 mg/m3
Chromium	1.0 (Metal)
Copper	0.1 mg/m3
Nickel	1 mg/m3

### **16. OTHER INFORMATION**

The information in this document is believed to be correct as of the date issued. However, no warranty is expressed to be implied regarding the accuracy or completeness of this information. This information and product are furnished on the condition that the person receiving them shall make his own determinations as to the suitability of the product for his particular purpose and on the condition that he assumes the risk of his use thereof.

This Material Safety Data Sheet complies with the EC directives 91/155/EEC and 93/112/EEC, including modifications 2001/58/EC.

Complies with OSHA Communication Standard 29 CFR 1910.1200 and Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) of 1986 Public Law 99-499

#### **Hazard Statements:**

H228 - Flammable solid.

H261 - In contact with water releases flammable gas

H302 - Harmful if swallowed.

**H317** – May cause an allergic skin reaction.

H319 – Causes serious eye irritation.

H351 – Suspected of causing lung cancer.

**H372** – Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

**H400** – Very toxic to aquatic life.



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#### **R-Phrases:**

- **R11** Highly Flammable.
- R15 Contact with water liberates extremely flammable gases.
- R20/22 Harmful by inhalation and if swallowed.
- R36/38 Irritating to eyes and skin.
- R40 Limited evidence of a carcinogenic effect.
- R43 May cause sensitization by skin contact.
- **R48** Danger of serious damage to health by prolonged exposure.
- R48/23 Toxic: Danger of serious damage to health by prolonged exposure through inhalation.
- **R50** Toxic to aquatic organisms.

#### S-Phrases:

- **S15** Keep away from heat.
- **\$16 -** Keep away from source of ignition-No smoking.
- \$22 Do not breathe dust.
- **S26** In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.
- **S28** After contact with skin, wash immediately with plenty of water.
- **\$36/37/39** Wear suitable protective clothing, gloves and eye/face protection.
- **S61** Avoid release to the environment.

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