# RioTinto

#### **Section 1. Identification**

Product name : ALUMINUM WROUGHT METAL, 1XXX SERIES ALLOYS

Product code : 202

Other means of identification : Deoxidizing wire (alloy 1350), 9810 (AA1350), 1100, 1145, 1200, 1230, 1235, 1370, 1XXX, 1XXXXX, 1XXXXXX, 1XXXXXX series

Product type : Massive metal.

#### Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Material uses

: Industrial applications: Primary metal; casting/molten and alloying; processing and manufacturing into articles and semi-fabricated articles, building and construction products, packaging products.

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number

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For advice on chemical emergencies, spillages, fires or first aid.

#### Section 2. Hazards identification

**OSHA/HCS** status

: While this material is not considered hazardous by the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200), this SDS contains valuable information critical to the safe handling and proper use of the product. This SDS should be retained and available for employees and other users of this product.

Classification of the substance or mixture

: Not classified.

**GHS** label elements

Signal word : No signal word.

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#### Section 2. Hazards identification

**Hazard statements** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

**Precautionary statements** 

General: Read label before use. Keep out of reach of children. If medical advice is needed, have

product container or label at hand.

Prevention: Not applicable.Response: Not applicable.Storage: Not applicable.Disposal: Not applicable.

**Hazards not otherwise** 

classified

: None known.

# Section 3. Composition/information on ingredients

Substance/mixture : Mixture

Ingredient name	%	CAS number
Aluminum.	>99	7429-90-5
silicon	0 - 0.3	7440-21-3
	0 - 0.2	7440-50-8
Iron	0 - 1	7439-89-6

Any concentration shown as a range is to protect confidentiality or is due to batch variation.

There are no additional ingredients present which, within the current knowledge of the supplier and in the concentrations applicable, are classified as hazardous to health or the environment and hence require reporting in this section.

Occupational exposure limits, if available, are listed in Section 8.

#### Section 4. First aid measures

#### **Description of necessary first aid measures**

**Eye contact** : Get medical attention if any damage to the eye is caused by the metal.

Inhalation : For dust exposure: If irritation or other pulmonary symptoms persist, seek medical

attention.

**Skin contact** : Get medical attention if symptoms occur. Cuts should be treated promptly and covered.

Heated material can cause thermal burns. In case of burns, immediately cool affected skin with cold water and continue for as long as possible or apply wet cloths to the area

until medical attention can be obtained.

**Ingestion** : Not applicable.

#### Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed

#### Potential acute health effects

**Eye contact** : Not applicable. **Inhalation** : Not applicable.

**Skin contact**: No known significant effects or critical hazards.

**Ingestion** : Not applicable.

#### Over-exposure signs/symptoms

Eye contact : No specific data.

Inhalation : No specific data.

Skin contact : No specific data.

Ingestion : No specific data.

#### Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed, if necessary

Notes to physician : No specific treatment. Treat symptomatically.

**Specific treatments**: No specific treatment.

Protection of first-aiders

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#### Section 4. First aid measures

No special protection is required. See Section 8 for information on appropriate personal protective equipment.

See toxicological information (Section 11)

# Section 5. Fire-fighting measures

#### **Extinguishing media**

Suitable extinguishing media

: Use an extinguishing agent suitable for the surrounding fire. Not a fire hazard unless in a particle form (small chips, fine turnings, dust). Suspensions of aluminum dust in air may pose a severe explosion hazard, especially in a confined atmosphere. Avoid sparks and prevent electrostatic discharges from accumulating. A potential for explosion exists for a mixture of fine coarse particles if at least 15% to 20% of the material is finer than 44 microns (325 mesh). Buffing and polishing generate finer material than grinding, sawing and cutting. In case of aluminum fires, use a class D dry powder extinguisher.

Unsuitable extinguishing media

: Water, foam, halogenated extinguishing agents.

Specific hazards arising from the chemical

: No specific fire or explosion hazard.

Hazardous thermal decomposition products

: None.

Special protective actions for fire-fighters

: Promptly isolate the scene by removing all persons from the vicinity of the incident if there is a fire. No action shall be taken involving any personal risk or without suitable training. Aluminium may lose structural strength when subject to fire and will melt to a hazardous liquid at temperatures in the range of 480 – 660 degrees celsius (dependent on the alloy composition).

Special protective equipment for fire-fighters

: No special protection is required.

Remark

: Molten aluminium may explode on contact with water or moisture, and may react violently with rust, certain metal oxides and nitrates.

# Section 6. Accidental release measures

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

For non-emergency personnel

: No action shall be taken involving any personal risk or without suitable training. Evacuate surrounding areas. Keep unnecessary and unprotected personnel from entering. Put on appropriate personal protective equipment.

For emergency responders

If specialized clothing is required to deal with the spillage, take note of any information in Section 8 on suitable and unsuitable materials. See also the information in "For non-emergency personnel".

**Environmental precautions**: No specific hazard.

#### Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Small spill

: Recycle, if possible. Take care with items that are sharp or heavy.

Large spill

: Recycle, if possible. Take care with items that are sharp or heavy. Do not attempt to arrest the flow of molten aluminium with shovels, hand tools or footwear. Contain spill with dry sand. Let solidify and cool down to ambient air temperature. Note: see Section 1 for emergency contact information and Section 13 for waste disposal.

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# Section 7. Handling and storage

#### **Precautions for safe handling**

#### **Protective measures**

- Put on appropriate personal protective equipment (see Section 8). Take care with items that are sharp or heavy. Because of the risk of explosion, aluminum ingots and metal scrap should be thoroughly dried before remelting. Use standard techniques to check metal temperature before handling. Hot aluminum does not present any warning color change. Excercise great caution, since the metal may be hot. For more information on the handling and storing of aluminum, consult the following documents published by the Aluminum Association, 1525 Wilson Blvd, Suite 600, Arlington, VA 22209 (www. aluminium.org):
  - Guidelines for handling molten aluminum.
  - Recommendations for storage and handling of aluminum powders and pastes.
  - Guidelines for handling aluminum fines generated during various aluminum fabricating operations.

See also ""National Fire Protection Association Codes"": NFPA 484: Standard for Combustible Materials.

Inspect all remelt ingot prior to charging into a furnace and remove surface contamination such as water, ice, snow, deposits of grease and oil and other surface contamination resulting from transport or storage.

Adequately preheat and dry ingot before charging it into a furnace. As a guide, this is done by heating the ingots to 400 degrees Celsius throughout. Heating for 2 hours per 25mm of section thickness is typically required to bring aluminium to a uniform temperature.

Perform the furnace charging sequence in such a way that full submersion of ingots in molten aluminium is avoided to prevent entrapment of moisture beneath molten metal.

# Advice on general occupational hygiene

Workers should wash hands and face before eating, drinking and smoking. Remove contaminated clothing and protective equipment before entering eating areas. See also Section 8 for additional information on hygiene measures.

# Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

: Store in accordance with local regulations. Do not cut, transport or even approach any coil giving off a crackling sound or emitting steam vapour. Once a coil of foil has been partially or completely wetted: KEEP THE COIL COOL UNTIL THE INTERIOR IS COMPLETELY DRY. If such cooling is impratical, leave the coil in place and keep people at least 30 meteres away from it for at least 72 hours. (See Rio Tinto Alcan publication entitled "Potential Safety Hazards of immersing a coil of Aluminum Foil in water").

# Section 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

#### **Control parameters**

#### Occupational exposure limits

Ingredient name	Exposure limits
Aluminum.	OSHA PEL (United States, 11/2006).  TWA: 5 mg/m³, (as Al) 8 hours. Form: Respirable fraction  ACGIH TLV (United States, 3/2015).  TWA: 1 mg/m³ 8 hours. Form: Respirable fraction  NIOSH REL (United States, 10/2013).  TWA: 5 mg/m³ 10 hours. Form: Respirable fraction  TWA: 10 mg/m³ 10 hours. Form: Total
silicon	OSHA PEL (United States, 2/2013).  TWA: 5 mg/m³, (as Al) 8 hours. Form: Respirable fraction TWA: 15 mg/m³, (as Al) 8 hours. Form: Total dust OSHA PEL (United States, 2/2013).  TWA: 5 mg/m³ 8 hours. Form: Respirable fraction TWA: 15 mg/m³ 8 hours. Form: Total dust NIOSH REL (United States, 10/2013).  TWA: 5 mg/m³ 10 hours. Form: Respirable fraction TWA: 10 mg/m³ 10 hours. Form: Total
Copper.	ACGIH TLV (United States, 3/2015).

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TWA: 1 mg/m³, (as Cu) 8 hours. Form: Dust and mist

TWA: 0.2 mg/m<sup>3</sup> 8 hours. Form: Fume NIOSH REL (United States, 10/2013).

TWA: 1 mg/m³, (as Cu) 10 hours. Form: Dusts and Mists

OSHA PEL (United States, 2/2013).

TWA: 1 mg/m<sup>3</sup> 8 hours. Form: Dusts and Mists

TWA: 0.1 mg/m<sup>3</sup> 8 hours. Form: Fume

**ACGIH TLV (United States).** 

TWA: 5 mg/m<sup>3</sup>, (as iron oxide) 8 hours. Form: Dust and

fumes

NIOSH REL (United States).

TWA: 5 mg/m³, (as iron oxide) 10 hours. Form: Dust and

fumes

**OSHA PEL (United States).** 

TWA: 10 mg/m³, (as iron oxide) 8 hours. Form: Fume

Recommended monitoring procedures

Iron

: If this product contains ingredients with exposure limits, personal, workplace atmosphere or biological monitoring may be required to determine the effectiveness of the ventilation or other control measures and/or the necessity to use respiratory protective equipment.

Appropriate engineering controls

: If the product is in its solid form: No special ventilation requirements. Special ventilation should be used to convey finely divided metallic dust generated by grinding, sawing or polishing operations, in order to eliminate explosion hazards. Maintain dust concentration in ventilation ducts below the lower explosive limit of 40 g/m³ (0.04 oz/ft3).

Environmental exposure controls

: Not applicable.

#### **Individual protection measures**

Hygiene measures

**Eye/face protection** 

: Wash thoroughly after handling.

: Safety eyewear complying with an approved standard should be used when a risk assessment indicates this is necessary to avoid exposure to liquid splashes, mists, gases or dusts. If contact is possible, the following protection should be worn, unless the assessment indicates a higher degree of protection: safety glasses with side-shields. Recommended: face shield

**Skin protection** 

Hand protection

**Body protection** 

: Use strong, cut-resistant gloves suitable for handling metals.

: Personal protective equipment for the body should be selected based on the task being performed and the risks involved and should be approved by a specialist before handling this product. Recommended: For handling molten metal: Clothing must be resistant to drops of molten metal and radiant heat.

Other skin protection

: Appropriate footwear and any additional skin protection measures should be selected based on the task being performed and the risks involved and should be approved by a specialist before handling this product. Recommended: For handling molten metal: Safety boots or shoes with spats.

Respiratory protection

: Not applicable. Recommended: If workers are exposed to concentrations above the exposure limit, they must use appropriate, certified respirators.

Personal protective equipment (Pictograms)









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# Section 9. Physical and chemical properties

**Appearance** 

**Physical state** Solid. [Metal.] Color Silvery grey Odorless. Odor **Odor threshold** : Not applicable. : Not applicable. pH

**Melting point** : 482 to 660°C (899.6 to 1220°F)

**Boiling point** : Not applicable. Flash point : Not applicable. **Evaporation rate** : Not applicable. Flammability (solid, gas) : Not applicable. Lower and upper explosive : Not applicable.

(flammable) limits

Vapor pressure : Not applicable. Vapor density : Not applicable. **Bulk density** : Not applicable. : Not applicable. Granulometry **Relative density** : 2.5 to 2.9

**Solubility** : Insoluble in the following materials: cold water, hot water, methanol, diethyl ether, n-

octanol and acetone.

Partition coefficient: n-

octanol/water

: Not applicable.

**Auto-ignition temperature** : Not applicable. **Decomposition temperature** : Not applicable. **Viscosity** : Not applicable.

# Section 10. Stability and reactivity

Reactivity : No specific test data related to reactivity available for this product or its ingredients.

**Chemical stability** : The product is stable.

Possibility of hazardous reactions

: Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous reactions will not occur.

Conditions to avoid : No specific data.

**Incompatible materials** 

: In the form of particles, may explode when mixed with halogenated acids, halogenated solvents, bromates, iodates or ammonium nitrate. Aluminum particles on contact with copper, lead, or iron oxides can react vigorously with release of heat if there is a source of ignition or intense heat. Molten aluminium may react violently if it comes into contact with water.

**Hazardous decomposition** products

: Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous decomposition products should not be produced.

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# **Section 11. Toxicological information**

#### Information on toxicological effects

#### **Acute toxicity**

Product/ingredient name	Result	Species	Dose	Exposure
	LC50 Inhalation Dusts and mists LD50 Oral LD50 Dermal		>2350 mg/l >5000 mg/kg 1 mg/kg	4 hours - -

**Conclusion/Summary** 

: No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Irritation/Corrosion
Conclusion/Summary

Eyes : Not applicable for solid metal form. Aluminum dust may cause eye discomfort and

irritation.

**Sensitization** 

**Conclusion/Summary** 

Skin : Non-sensitizer.

Respiratory : Non-sensitizer.

**Mutagenicity** 

**Conclusion/Summary**: No mutagenic effect.

**Carcinogenicity** 

**Conclusion/Summary**: No carcinogenic effect.

**Reproductive toxicity** 

**Conclusion/Summary**: Not considered to be toxic to the reproductive system.

**Teratogenicity** 

Conclusion/Summary : No teratogenic effect.

**Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)** 

Not available.

Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure)

Not available.

#### **Aspiration hazard**

Not available.

Information on the likely

routes of exposure

: Routes of entry anticipated: Inhalation.

Potential acute health effects

Eye contact : Not applicable.

Inhalation : Not applicable.

**Skin contact**: No known significant effects or critical hazards.

**Ingestion** : Not applicable.

Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics

Eye contact : No specific data.

Inhalation : No specific data.

Skin contact : No specific data.

Ingestion : No specific data.

#### Delayed and immediate effects and also chronic effects from short and long term exposure

**Short term exposure** 

Potential immediate

effects

: No specific data.

Potential delayed effects : No specific data.

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#### **Long term exposure**

**Potential immediate** 

effects

: No specific data.

Potential delayed effects : No specific data.

#### Potential chronic health effects

Conclusion/Summary
 General
 No known significant effects or critical hazards.
 Carcinogenicity
 No known significant effects or critical hazards.
 Mutagenicity
 No known significant effects or critical hazards.
 Teratogenicity
 No known significant effects or critical hazards.
 Developmental effects
 No known significant effects or critical hazards.

#### **Numerical measures of toxicity**

**Acute toxicity estimates** 

Not available.

**Fertility effects** 

# Section 12. Ecological information

#### **Toxicity**

Product/ingredient name	Result	Species	Exposure
Aluminum.	EC50 >100 mg/l	Algae - Selenastrum capricomutum	72 hours
	EC50 >100 mg/l EC50 >100 mg/l	Daphnia - Daphnia magna Fish - Salmo trutta	48 hours 96 hours

: No known significant effects or critical hazards.

#### **Conclusion/Summary**

: No acute or chronic classification is appropriate for AI metal massive based on non toxic results below the Ecotoxicity Reference Value (ERV) of tests with aluminium metal, oxide and hydroxide at loadings of 100 mg/L at pH 8-8.5 (maximum solubility of AI expected). All aluminium in soil or the aquatic environment comes from natural sources. Local sources has an insignificant contribution and impact on environment.

#### Persistence and degradability

Conclusion/Summary : Not applicable

#### **Bioaccumulative potential**

Product/ingredient name	LogPow	BCF	Potential
Aluminum.	-	-	-

#### **Mobility in soil**

Soil/water partition coefficient (Koc)

: Not available.

**Mobility** 

: Not mobile under normal environmental conditions. May be leached from the ground at low pH (<5.5) or high pH (>8.5)

Other adverse effects

: No known significant effects or critical hazards.

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# Section 13. Disposal considerations

**Disposal methods** 

: The generation of waste should be avoided or minimized wherever possible. Dispose of surplus and non-recyclable products via a licensed waste disposal contractor. Disposal of this product, solutions and any by-products should at all times comply with the requirements of environmental protection and waste disposal legislation and any regional local authority requirements. Recycle, if possible.

# **Section 14. Transport information**

	DOT Classification	TDG Classification	Mexico Classification	ADR/RID	IMDG	IATA
UN number	Not regulated.	Not regulated.	Not regulated.	Not regulated.	Not regulated.	Not regulated.
UN proper shipping name	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transport hazard class(es)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Packing group	-	-	-	-	-	-
Environmental hazards	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Additional information	-	-	-	-	-	-

**Special precautions for user**: Not applicable.

Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL and

the IBC Code

: Not applicable.

# Section 15. Regulatory information

**U.S. Federal regulations** 

: TSCA 8(a) CDR Exempt/Partial exemption: Not determined
United States inventory (TSCA 8b): All components are listed or exempted.
Clean Water Act (CWA) 307: Copper.

Clean Air Act Section 112

(b) Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs) : Not listed

Clean Air Act Section 602 Class I Substances : Not listed

Clean Air Act Section 602

: Not listed

Class II Substances
DEA List I Chemicals

: Not listed

(Precursor Chemicals)

: Not listed

**DEA List II Chemicals** (Essential Chemicals)

**SARA 302/304** 

**Composition/information on ingredients** 

No products were found.

SARA 304 RQ : Not applicable.

**SARA 311/312** 

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Classification : Not applicable.

**Composition/information on ingredients** 

No products were found.

#### **SARA 313**

	Product name	CAS number	%
Form R - Reporting requirements	Aluminum.	7429-90-5	>99
Supplier notification	Aluminum.	7429-90-5	>99

SARA 313 notifications must not be detached from the SDS and any copying and redistribution of the SDS shall include copying and redistribution of the notice attached to copies of the SDS subsequently redistributed.

#### State regulations

**Massachusetts** : The following components are listed: ALUMINUM

**New York** : None of the components are listed.

**New Jersey** : The following components are listed: ALUMINUM **Pennsylvania** : The following components are listed: ALUMINUM

**International regulations** 

Chemical Weapon Convention List Schedules I, II & III Chemicals

Not listed.

Montreal Protocol (Annexes A, B, C, E)

Not listed.

**Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants** 

Not listed.

**Rotterdam Convention on Prior Inform Consent (PIC)** 

Not listed.

**UNECE Aarhus Protocol on POPs and Heavy Metals** 

Not listed.

#### International lists

**National inventory** 

**Australia inventory (AICS)** : All components are listed or exempted. Canada inventory : All components are listed or exempted. China inventory (IECSC) : All components are listed or exempted. **Europe inventory** : All components are listed or exempted. **Korea inventory** : All components are listed or exempted. **New Zealand Inventory of** : All components are listed or exempted.

Chemicals (NZIoC)

**Philippines inventory** (PICCS)

: All components are listed or exempted.

**Taiwan Chemical** 

**Substances Inventory** 

(TCSI)

: All components are listed or exempted.

**Canada** 

WHMIS (Canada) : Not classified.

**Canadian NPRI** : The following components are listed: Aluminum (fume or dust only)

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## **Section 16. Other information**

#### **Hazardous Material Information System (U.S.A.)**



Caution: HMIS® ratings are based on a 0-4 rating scale, with 0 representing minimal hazards or risks, and 4 representing significant hazards or risks Although HMIS® ratings are not required on SDSs under 29 CFR 1910. 1200, the preparer may choose to provide them. HMIS® ratings are to be used with a fully implemented HMIS® program. HMIS® is a registered mark of the National Paint & Coatings Association (NPCA). HMIS® materials may be purchased exclusively from J. J. Keller (800) 327-6868.

The customer is responsible for determining the PPE code for this material.

#### **National Fire Protection Association (U.S.A.)**



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#### Procedure used to derive the classification

Classification	Justification
Not classified.	

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**Key to abbreviations** : ATE = Acute Toxicity Estimate

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BCF = Bioconcentration Factor

GHS = Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals

IATA = International Air Transport Association

IBC = Intermediate Bulk Container

IMDG = International Maritime Dangerous Goods
IMSBC = International Maritime Solid Bulk Cargoes Code
LogPow = logarithm of the octanol/water partition coefficient

MARPOL = International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution From Ships, 1973 as

modified by the Protocol of 1978. ("Marpol" = marine pollution)

UN = United Nations

References : Not available.

✓ Indicates information that has changed from previously issued version.

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## Section 16. Other information

To the best of our knowledge, the information contained herein is accurate. However, neither the above-named supplier, nor any of its subsidiaries, assumes any liability whatsoever for the accuracy or completeness of the information contained herein.

Final determination of suitability of any material is the sole responsibility of the user. All materials may present unknown hazards and should be used with caution. Although certain hazards are described herein, we cannot guarantee that these are the only hazards that exist.

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