Material Safety Data Sheet
Magnesium, turnings and ribbons

ACC# 13290

Section 1 - Chemical Product and Company Identification

**MSDS Name:** Magnesium, turnings and ribbons  
**Catalog Numbers:** AC191080000, AC191080025, AC191085000, S72223D, S72233D, S75532, S75551, S755511, S755512, M11-500, M8-1OZ, M8-212, NC9327500  
**Synonyms:** Magnesium metal (ribbons/turnings)  
**Company Identification:**  
- Fisher Scientific  
- 1 Reagent Lane  
- Fair Lawn, NJ 07410  
**For information, call:** 201-796-7100  
**Emergency Number:** 201-796-7100  
**For CHEMTREC assistance, call:** 800-424-9300  
**For International CHEMTREC assistance, call:** 703-527-3887

Section 2 - Composition, Information on Ingredients

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Section 3 - Hazards Identification

**EMERGENCY OVERVIEW**

Appearance: silver white solid.  
**Warning!** Flammable solid. Water-reactive. Contact with water liberates extremely flammable gases. May cause eye and skin irritation. May cause respiratory tract irritation. Inhalation of fumes may cause metal-fume fever. Air sensitive. 
**Target Organs:** None.

**Potential Health Effects**  
**Eye:** Dust may cause mechanical irritation.  
**Skin:** Dust may cause mechanical irritation. May be harmful if absorbed through the skin. Particles embedded in the skin may cause "chemical gas gangrene" with symptoms of persistent lesions, inflammation and gas bubbles under the skin.  
**Ingestion:** May cause irritation of the digestive tract. Low hazard for usual industrial handling.  
**Inhalation:** May cause respiratory tract irritation. Inhalation of fumes may cause metal fume fever, which is characterized by flu-like symptoms with metallic taste, fever, chills, cough, weakness, chest pain, muscle pain and increased white blood cell count. May be harmful if inhaled.
Chronic: No information found.

Section 4 - First Aid Measures

**Eyes:** Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes, occasionally lifting the upper and lower eyelids. Get medical aid.

**Skin:** Get medical aid. Immediately flush skin with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes while removing contaminated clothing and shoes.

**Ingestion:** If victim is conscious and alert, give 2-4 cupfuls of milk or water. Get medical aid immediately.

**Inhalation:** Remove from exposure and move to fresh air immediately. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical aid.

**Notes to Physician:** The use of calcium gluconate as antidotal treatment for magnesium overdose should be determined only by qualified medical personnel (Medical Toxicology, 1988).

**Antidote:** The use of Dimercaprol or BAL (British Anti-Lewisite) as a chelating agent should be determined by qualified medical personnel.

Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures

**General Information:** As in any fire, wear a self-contained breathing apparatus in pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent), and full protective gear. Water reactive. Material will react with water and may release a flammable and/or toxic gas. This material in sufficient quantity and reduced particle size is capable of creating a dust explosion. Flammable solid. May react with acids or moisture to form explosive hydrogen gas.

**Extinguishing Media:** Use approved class D extinguishing agents or smother with dry sand, clay, or sodium bicarbonate. Do NOT use water, carbon dioxide, or foam.

**Flash Point:** Not applicable.

**Autoignition Temperature:** 472.8 deg C (883.04 deg F)

**Explosion Limits, Lower:** Not available.

**Upper:** Not available.

**NFPA Rating:** (estimated) Health: 0; Flammability: 1; Instability: 1

Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures

**General Information:** Use proper personal protective equipment as indicated in Section 8.

**Spills/Leaks:** Scoop up with a nonsparking tool, then place into a suitable container for disposal. Avoid generating dusty conditions. Remove all sources of ignition. Place under an inert atmosphere.

Section 7 - Handling and Storage

**Handling:** Wash thoroughly after handling. Remove contaminated clothing and wash before reuse. Use with adequate ventilation. Ground and bond containers when transferring material. Use spark-proof tools and explosion proof equipment. Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Empty containers retain product residue, (liquid and/or vapor), and can be dangerous. Avoid ingestion and inhalation. Store
protected from air. Do not pressurize, cut, weld, braze, solder, drill, grind, or expose empty containers to heat, sparks or open flames.

**Storage:** Keep away from sources of ignition. Store in a tightly closed container. Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area away from incompatible substances. Water free area.

### Section 8 - Exposure Controls, Personal Protection

**Engineering Controls:** Facilities storing or utilizing this material should be equipped with an eyewash facility and a safety shower. Use adequate ventilation to keep airborne concentrations low.

**Exposure Limits**

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**OSHA Vacated PELs:** Magnesium: No OSHA Vacated PELs are listed for this chemical.

**Personal Protective Equipment**

**Eyes:** Wear chemical splash goggles and face shield.

**Skin:** Wear impervious gloves.

**Clothing:** Wear appropriate protective clothing to prevent skin exposure.

**Respirators:** Follow the OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard EN 149. Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced.

### Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties

**Physical State:** Solid

**Appearance:** silver white

**Odor:** none reported

**pH:** >7 (water solution)

**Vapor Pressure:** Negligible.

**Vapor Density:** Negligible.

**Evaporation Rate:** Negligible.

**Viscosity:** Not available.

**Boiling Point:** 1107.2 deg C

**Freezing/Melting Point:** 650 deg C

**Decomposition Temperature:** Not available.

**Solubility:** Insoluble in water.

**Specific Gravity/Density:** 1.74

**Molecular Formula:** Mg

**Molecular Weight:** 24.3

### Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

**Chemical Stability:** Stable under normal temperatures and pressures. Air sensitive. Reacts with water.

**Conditions to Avoid:** Ignition sources, exposure to air, contact with water.

**Incompatibilities with Other Materials:** Strong oxidizing agents, acids, acid chlorides, chlorinated
solvents, halogens.

**Hazardous Decomposition Products:** Oxides of magnesium.

**Hazardous Polymerization:** Has not been reported.

### Section 11 - Toxicological Information

**RTECS#:**
CAS# 7439-95-4: FW6475100

**LD50/LC50:**
Not available.

**Carcinogenicity:**
CAS# 7439-95-4: Not listed by ACGIH, IARC, NTP, or CA Prop 65.

**Epidemiology:** No data available.

**Teratogenicity:** No data available.

**Reproductive Effects:** No data available.

**Mutagenicity:** No data available.

**Neurotoxicity:** No data available.

**Other Studies:**

### Section 12 - Ecological Information

**Ecotoxicity:** No data available. No information available.

**Environmental:** No information available.

**Physical:** No information available.

**Other:** None.

### Section 13 - Disposal Considerations

Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. US EPA guidelines for the classification determination are listed in 40 CFR Parts 261.3. Additionally, waste generators must consult state and local hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

**RCRA P-Series:** None listed.

**RCRA U-Series:** None listed.

### Section 14 - Transport Information

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Section 15 - Regulatory Information

US FEDERAL

TSCA
CAS# 7439-95-4 is listed on the TSCA inventory.

Health & Safety Reporting List
None of the chemicals are on the Health & Safety Reporting List.

Chemical Test Rules
None of the chemicals in this product are under a Chemical Test Rule.

Section 12b
None of the chemicals are listed under TSCA Section 12b.

TSCA Significant New Use Rule
None of the chemicals in this material have a SNUR under TSCA.

CERCLA Hazardous Substances and corresponding RQs
None of the chemicals in this material have an RQ.

SARA Section 302 Extremely Hazardous Substances
None of the chemicals in this product have a TPQ.

SARA Codes
CAS # 7439-95-4: immediate, fire, reactive.

Section 313
No chemicals are reportable under Section 313.

Clean Air Act:
This material does not contain any hazardous air pollutants.
This material does not contain any Class 1 Ozone depletors.
This material does not contain any Class 2 Ozone depletors.

Clean Water Act:
None of the chemicals in this product are listed as Hazardous Substances under the CWA.
None of the chemicals in this product are listed as Priority Pollutants under the CWA.
None of the chemicals in this product are listed as Toxic Pollutants under the CWA.

OSHA:
None of the chemicals in this product are considered highly hazardous by OSHA.

STATE
CAS# 7439-95-4 can be found on the following state right to know lists: California, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts.

California Prop 65
California No Significant Risk Level: None of the chemicals in this product are listed.

European/International Regulations
European Labeling in Accordance with EC Directives
Hazard Symbols:
F

Risk Phrases:
R 11 Highly flammable.
R 15 Contact with water liberates extremely flammable gases.

Safety Phrases:
S 7/8 Keep container tightly closed and dry.
S 43A In case of fire, use dry chemical (never use water).

**WGK (Water Danger/Protection)**
- CAS# 7439-95-4: No information available.

**Canada - DSL/NDSL**
- CAS# 7439-95-4 is listed on Canada's DSL List.

**Canada - WHMIS**
- This product has a WHMIS classification of B4.
  This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations and the MSDS contains all of the information required by those regulations.

**Canadian Ingredient Disclosure List**

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**Section 16 - Additional Information**

**MSDS Creation Date:** 12/12/1997  
**Revision #7 Date:** 11/05/2007

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