


# MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

## Gold powder

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### 1. Product And Company Identification

<b>Supplier</b> Colonial Metals, Inc. Building 20 505 Blue Ball Road Elkton, MD 21921 United States  Company Contact: Joseph Fittos III Telephone Number: 410-398-7200 FAX Number: 410-398-2918 E-Mail: jfittos@colonialmetals.com Web Site: colonialmetals.com	<b>Manufacturer</b> Colonial Metals, Inc. Building 20 505 Blue Ball Road Elkton, MD 21921 United States  Company Contact: Joseph Fittos III Telephone Number: 410-398-7200 FAX Number: 410-398-2918 E-Mail: jfittos@colonialmetals.com Web Site: colonialmetals.com
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**Issue Date:** 04/01/2009  
**Product Name:** Gold powder  
**CAS Number:** 7440-57-5  
**Chemical Family:** Platinum Group Metals  
**Chemical Formula:** Au  
**MSDS Number:** 2015  
**Product Code:** 2015

### 2. Composition/Information On Ingredients

Ingredient Name	CAS Number	Percent Of Total Weight
Gold	7440-57-5	99 - 100

### EMERGENCY OVERVIEW

**Irritant.**  
  
To the best of our knowledge the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

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### EMERGENCY OVERVIEW - Continued

#### Hazards Identification (Pictograms)



### 3. Hazards Identification

#### Primary Routes(s) Of Entry

Eye: Likely  
Inhalation: Likely  
Skin: Likely  
Ingestion: Likely

#### Eye Hazards

Irritating to the eyes.

#### Skin Hazards

Irritating to the skin. May be harmful if absorbed through the skin.

#### Ingestion Hazards

May be irritating to the digestive tract. May be harmful if swallowed.

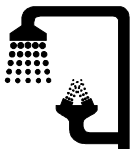
#### Inhalation Hazards

Irritating to the respiratory system and mucous membranes. May be harmful if inhaled.

#### Conditions Aggravated By Exposure

May cause irritation of the respiratory system. Maintain housekeeping and personal hygiene to minimize exposure and prevent sensitization.

#### First Aid (Pictograms)



### 4. First Aid Measures

#### Eye

Flush for 15 minutes with plenty of water. If discomfort occurs or persists, contact a physician immediately.

#### Skin

Immediately wash with copious amounts of water. If discomfort occurs or persists, contact a physician immediately. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes and wash before reuse.

#### Ingestion

Wash out mouth with water provided victim is conscious. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Contact a physician immediately.

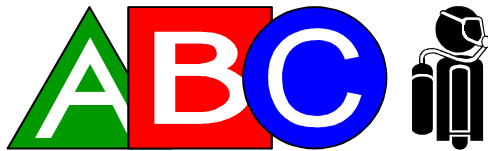
#### Inhalation

Remove to fresh air immediately. If victim is not breathing provide artificial respiration. Contact a physician immediately.

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### Fire Fighting (Pictograms)



### 5. Fire Fighting Measures

**Flash Point:** NA °C

**Autoignition Point:** NA °C

**Flammability Class:** NA

#### Fire And Explosion Hazards

In case of fire metal oxide fumes may be released.

#### Extinguishing Media

Use appropriate media to fight surrounding fires.

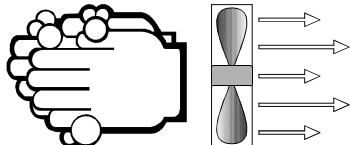
#### Fire Fighting Instructions

Use NIOSH/MSHA approved self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective clothing.

### 6. Accidental Release Measures

Sweep or soak up and place in sealed container; taking care to avoid dusting. Person protected with full face shield and NIOSH approved respirator and cartridge for dust. Ventilate area and wash spill site after pick-up is complete.

### Handling & Storage (Pictograms)



### 7. Handling And Storage

#### Handling Precautions

Avoid contact with eyes, prolonged or repeated contact with skin. Avoid breathing dust. Ensure good ventilation in work area.

#### Storage Precautions

Store in a tightly sealed container in a cool, dry place.

#### Work/Hygienic Practices

Always use good personal hygiene after handling.

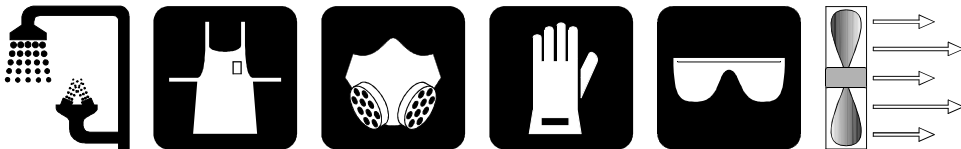
#### Other Precautions

0.01 ppm high efficiency particular respirator/supplied air respirator/self-contained breathing apparatus; 0.2 ppm same as above with full face piece; 1 ppm powdered air purifying respirator with high efficiency filter/type C supplied air respirator operated in pressure demand mode. Store in a sealed container, plastic or plastic liner, in a cool, well ventilated, dry area away from volatile acids.

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### Protective Clothing (Pictograms)



### 8. Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

#### Engineering Controls

Ventilation: Local Exhaust: Required in handling area  
Mechanical: Desirable to insure concentration of material below TLV/TWA levels  
Other: Closed Ventilation system - dust (Laboratory Fume Hood)

Safety shower and eyewash

#### Eye/Face Protection

ANSI approved safety glasses/goggles, full face shield

#### Skin Protection

Rubber/Neoprene (use compatible chemical-resistant gloves)

#### Respiratory Protection

NIOSH approved chemical cartridge respirator for particulates and dust, if there is a potential for airborne exposure to exceed established threshold value, or self-contained breathing apparatus with full face shield.

#### Other/General Protection

Lab coat/apron, flame and chemical resistant protective clothing, eye wash, safety shower, and hygiene facilities for washing

### 9. Physical And Chemical Properties

#### Appearance

Yellow/orange powder

**Chemical Type:** Pure

**Physical State:** Solid

**Melting Point:** 1947 °F 1064 °C

**Boiling Point:** 5086 °F 2808 °C

**Molecular Weight:** 196.97

**Vapor Pressure:** NA

**Vapor Density:** 19.32 g/cm<sup>3</sup> @ 20C

**pH Factor:** NA

**Solubility:** Insoluble

**Evaporation Rate:** NA

### 10. Stability And Reactivity

**Stability:** Stable

**Hazardous Polymerization:** Will not occur

#### Conditions To Avoid (Stability)

Decomposition should not occur if stored according to specifications.

#### Incompatible Materials

Ammonia, halogens, hydrogen peroxides.

#### Hazardous Decomposition Products

Metal oxide fumes

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### 10. Stability And Reactivity - Continued

#### Hazardous Decomposition Products - Continued

Gold can form explosive compounds with ammonia, ammonium hydroxide + aqua regia, and hydrogen peroxide.

### 11. Toxicological Information

To the best of our knowledge the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

### 12. Ecological Information

No Data Available...

### 13. Disposal Considerations

Consult Federal EPA, State and local regulations for proper disposal/recycle/reclamation.

NOTE: Chemical additions, processing, or otherwise altering this material may make the waste management information presented above incomplete, inaccurate, or otherwise inappropriate.

### 14. Transport Information

#### Proper Shipping Name

Considered non-hazardous for shipping

#### Additional Shipping Paper Description

IATA: Same as DOT Regulation 49 CFR. Consult IATA regulation before shipping.

### 15. Regulatory Information

#### U.S. Regulatory Information

CAS# 7440-57-5 is listed on the TSCA inventory.

#### Canadian Regulatory Information

This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the CPR, and the MSDS contains all the information required by the CPR.

DSL: Yes

### 16. Other Information

#### NFPA Rating

Health: 1

Fire: 0

Reactivity: 0

#### HMIS Rating

Health: 1

Fire: 0

Reactivity: 0

Personal Protection: C

#### Revision/Preparer Information

MSDS Preparer: Joseph J. Fittos III

MSDS Preparer Phone Number: 410-398-7200

### Disclaimer

In compliance with the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard, 2.9 C.F.R 1910.1200, we are providing you with a Materials Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) for the hazardous material you are purchasing.

It is your responsibility to educate your employees on the safe use of the hazardous material. With this in mind, a copy should be forwarded to the supervisor of the user or to the user themselves, and copy should be retained in

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your files for future reference.

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