

1. IDENTIFICATION OF SUBSTANCES / PREPARATION AND COMPANY

Product Name: Starburst Alloy Powder
 Product Code: 106, 108, 124, 125, 126

Application: Dental filling material

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2. HAZARD IDENTIFICATION

Classification of the substance or mixture

Product definition:

Silver alloy to be mixed with mercury to make filling material for teeth

Classification according to Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008 [CLP/GHST]

Alloy not classified as hazardous

Precautionary statements (Refer also Section 7)

General: P201 – Obtain special instructions before use.

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

P273 – Avoid release to the environment.

P284 – Wear respiratory protection.

P310 – Immediately call a POISON CENTRE or doctor/physician.

P501 – Dispose of contents and container in accordance with all local, regional, national and international regulations.

Hazards which do not result in classification: None

Substance meets the criteria for PBT according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 Annex XIII:

Not applicable

Substance meets the criteria for vPvB according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 Annex XII:

Not applicable

3. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Substance/mixture: Capsules containing silver alloy and mercury (Hg).

Product/ingredient name	Identifiers	%	Classification Regulation (EC) No.	Type
Europe Silver	CAS:7440-22-4 EC: 231-131-3	22.5-35	H228	[1]
Tin (Sn)	CAS: 7440-31-5 EC: 231-141-8	9-16	H400	[1]
Copper (Cu)	CAS: 7440-50-8 EC: 231-159-6	5-12.5	H410	-

Type

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

4. FIRST AID MEASURES**Description of first aid measures:**

Eye contact: Check for and remove any contact lenses. Rinse with plenty of running water. Seek medical attention.

Inhalation: Allow the victim to rest in a well ventilated area. Get medical attention immediately.

Skin contact: Wash contaminated skin with soap and water. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes.

Ingestion: Have conscious person drink several glasses of water or milk. Get medical attention immediately. Subsequently administer: activated charcoal (20-40g in 10% slurry).

Protection of first-aiders:

Provide exhaust ventilation or other engineering controls to keep the airborne concentrations of vapours below their respective occupational exposure limits. In the event of a large spill wear special protective clothing and positive pressure, self-contained breathing apparatus.

Most important symptoms and effects both acute and delayed**5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES****Extinguishing media**

Suitable extinguishing media: Use extinguishing media suitable for surrounding materials.

Unsuitable extinguishing media: Not applicable

Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Hazards from the substance or mixture: No specific fire or explosion hazard.

Hazardous thermal decomposition products: Mercury vapour.

Advice for fire-fighters

Special protective actions for fire-fighters: Avoid breathing dusts, vapours or fumes from burning materials.

Special protective equipment for fire-fighters: Fire-fighters should wear appropriate protective equipment and self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) with a full face-piece operated in positive pressure mode.

Additional information: None

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

For non-emergency personnel: Wear suitable gloves and eye/face protection.

For emergency responders: Wear suitable gloves and eye/face protection.

Environmental precautions: Do not allow to enter drains or watercourses.

Reference to other sections

See Section 8 for information on appropriate personal protective equipment.

See Section 13 for additional waste treatment information.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

The information in this section contains generic advice and guidance. The list of Identified Uses in Section 1 should be consulted for any available use-specific information provided in the Exposure Scenario(s).

Precautions for safe handling

Protective measures: Recommendations for safety precaution.

Dental clinical personnel, when using silver amalgam, should exercise procedures to avoid personal contact with mercury. Precaution should be taken to avoid exposure to mercury vapour in the dental environment. Waste amalgam should be collected for disposal in a manner which will protect both those who handle the waste and the environment:

1. Treat mercury and amalgam with care. Be MERCURY AWARE.
2. Handling of mercury and mixing of amalgam should be done on a separate section of the working table (not close to a source of heat) with raised edges on all sides. This will prevent any spilled mercury spreading and will facilitate its recovery. The surgery floor should be smooth, without cracks and the surgery well ventilated.
3. Ideally a high-energy mixer should be equipped with a protective cap to recover the capsule whilst mixing.
4. Small droplets of spilled mercury can be collected with the aid of ‘mercury-collecting forceps’ or a small amount of freshly mixed amalgam that will easily absorb liquid mercury. NEVER use a vacuum cleaner!
5. Removal of amalgam fillings must be done under water cooling and with effective suction. The use of eye protection and mouth mask is advisable.
6. The waste water drain of the spittoon should be equipped with an amalgam separator. Local regulations on the type and installation of such separator and handling/recycling of the amalgam waste should be taken into consideration. For details see for example JADA, August 2003, KEVIN R. MACMUNUS, M.A., M.B.A., P.L. FAN, Ph.D. “Purchasing, installing and operating dental amalgam separators, Practical issues”.
7. Excess mixed amalgam should be kept in a special ‘Mercontainer’ or at least in a closed container filled with photographic fixer.
8. Empty capsules may retain product residues and can be hazardous.

Advice on general occupational hygiene: Avoid breathing dust.

Conditions for safe storage including any incompatibilities: Store in a dry, cool well-ventilated area.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

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Control parameters

Occupational exposure limits

Product/ingredient name	Exposure limit values
Europe	
Silver	0.1 mg/m ³
Tin (Sn)	2 mg/m ³
Copper (Cu)	0.1 mg/1
DNELs/DMELs:	No DNELs/DMELs available.
PNECs:	No PNECs available.

Exposure controls	
Appropriate engineering controls:	Use only with adequate ventilation.
<u>Individual protection measures</u>	
Hygiene measures:	Not applicable.
Eye/face protection:	Safety glasses with side-shields.
<u>Skin protection</u>	
Hand protection:	Chemical-resistant, impervious gloves complying with an approved standard should be worn at all times when handling chemical products if a risk assessment indicates this is necessary.
	4-8 hours (breakthrough time): nitrile rubber 1-4 hours (breakthrough time): PVC butyl rubber
Body protection:	Lab coat.
Other skin protection:	Wash with soap and water.
Respiratory protection:	Ventilation is normally required when handling or using this product.
Environmental exposure controls:	
Avoid release to the environment. Dispose of surplus and non-recyclable products via a licensed waste disposal contractor. No special protection is required.	

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Information on basic physical and chemical properties.

Appearance:

Physical state:	Powder
Colour:	Silver
Odour:	Odourless
pH:	Not applicable
Melting point:	700-750°C
Solubility in water:	Non water soluble
Partition coefficient:	

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity:	No additional information.
Chemical stability:	The product is stable.
Possibility of hazardous reactions:	The product is stable.
Conditions to avoid:	Keep away from heat and flame. Avoid release to the environment.
Incompatible materials:	Not applicable.
Hazardous decomposition products:	Mercury vapour.

11. TOXICOLOGY INFORMATION

Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity:	No results available.
Irritation/Corrosion:	No results available.
Sensitisation:	No results available.
Mutagenicity:	No results available.
Carcinogenicity:	Not classified or listed by IARC, NTP, OSHA, EU and ACGIH.
Reproductive toxicity:	No results available.
Teratogenicity:	No results available.

Potential acute health effects

Eye contact:	Not available.
Inhalation:	*H330 - Very toxic by inhalation. H360D - May damage unborn child.
Skin contact:	May be harmful in contact with skin.
Ingestion:	Possible risk of irreversible effects.
Potential chronic Health effects:	Chronic or excessive over-exposure may cause symptoms of mercury poisoning with muscle tremors, visual disturbance and kidney effects.
Other information:	RTECS: OV4550000 *When mixed with mercury.

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Persistence & degradability:	Unknown
Bioaccumulative potential:	Unknown
Mobility in soil:	Unknown
Results of PBT & vPvB assessment	
PBT:	Unknown
vPvB:	Unknown
Other adverse effects:	Toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**Waste treatment methods:****Product**

Methods of disposal:	Dispose of via a licensed waste disposal contractor.
Hazardous waste:	The classification of the product may meet the criteria for a hazardous waste.

European waste catalogue (EWC)

Waste Code	Waste designation
18 01 10*	Amalgam waste from dental care

Packaging

Methods of disposal:	Dispose of via a licensed waste disposal contractor.
Special precautions:	Avoid breathing dust.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

Special precautions for user:	No additional information
Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code:	Not available.

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

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

EU Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 (REACH)

Annex XIV – List of substances subject to authorisation

Substances of very high concern

None of the components are listed.

National regulations

Not applicable.

Chemical Safety Assessment: No chemical safety assessment has been carried out.

16. FURTHER INFORMATION

Indicates information that has changed from previously issued version.

- Abbreviations & acronyms:
- ATE = Acute Toxicity Estimate
 - CLP = Classification, Labelling & Packaging Regulation [Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008]
 - DMEL = Derived Minimal Effect Level
 - DNEL = Derived No Effect Level
 - EUH statement = CLP-specific hazard statement
 - PBT = Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic
 - PNEC = Predicted No Effect Concentration
 - PRN = REACH Registration Number
 - vPvB = Very Persistent and Very Bioaccumulative

The data given above covers exclusively the safety requirements of the product(s) and is based on our current knowledge and experience. It does not signify any warranty with regards to the products properties. This product is only supplied for specific uses in dentistry and must be used in accordance with the directions for use.