# **Railtech Thermal Starter**

## **Railtech International**

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Safety Data Sheet according to WHS and ADG requirements

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# SECTION 1 IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE / MIXTURE AND OF THE COMPANY / UNDERTAKING

## **Product Identifier**

Product name	Railtech Thermal Starter	
Synonyms	Part of Ignition system STARTWEL kit, Electrical ignition system for aluminothermic portions	
Other means of identification	Not Available	

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

Relevant	identified
	uses

Use according to manufacturer's directions.

Electrical ignition system for aluminothermic portions. - Check the battery charge status by pressing the button. - Remove the pin from the starter. - Insert the starter in the hole in the cap. - Position the ignition indicator so that it is visible. - Place the electrodes of the electric handle on the terminals of the STARTWEL starter. - Press and hold the trigger until ignition.

# Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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# **Emergency telephone number**

Association / Organisation	Not Available
Emergency telephone numbers	+61 0418 781 377
Other emergency telephone numbers	Not Available

# **SECTION 2 HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**

# Classification of the substance or mixture

NON-HAZARDOUS CHEMICAL. NON-DANGEROUS GOODS. According to the WHS Regulations and the ADG Code.

Poisons Schedule	Not Applicable
Classification	Not Applicable

## Label elements

GHS label elements	Not Applicable

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SIGNAL WORD

NOT APPLICABLE

## **Hazard statement(s)**

Not Applicable

# Precautionary statement(s) Prevention

Not Applicable

# Precautionary statement(s) Response

Not Applicable

## Precautionary statement(s) Storage

Not Applicable

# Precautionary statement(s) Disposal

Not Applicable

# **SECTION 3 COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

## **Substances**

See section below for composition of Mixtures

#### **Mixtures**

CAS No	%[weight]	Name
Not Available	100	manufactured product made up of
		plastic
		steel
		aluminium
		contains a small quantity of
		Railtech welding portions

# **SECTION 4 FIRST AID MEASURES**

# **Description of first aid measures**

<u> </u>	
Eye Contact	▶ Generally not applicable.
Skin Contact	If skin or hair contact occurs:  ▶ Flush skin and hair with running water (and soap if available).  ▶ Seek medical attention in event of irritation.
Inhalation	<ul> <li>If fumes, aerosols or combustion products are inhaled remove from contaminated area.</li> <li>Other measures are usually unnecessary.</li> </ul>
Ingestion	Not considered a normal route of entry.  Immediately give a glass of water.  First aid is not generally required. If in doubt, contact a Poisons Information Centre or a doctor.

# Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Treat symptomatically.

# **SECTION 5 FIREFIGHTING MEASURES**

# **Extinguishing media**

- There is no restriction on the type of extinguisher which may be used.
- Use extinguishing media suitable for surrounding area.

# Special hazards arising from the substrate or mixture

Fire
Incompatibility

None known.

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# Advice for firefighters

Fire Fighting	Slight hazard when exposed to heat, flame and oxidisers.	
Fire/Explosion Hazard	<ul> <li>Non combustible.</li> <li>Not considered a significant fire risk, however containers may burn.</li> </ul>	
HAZCHEM	Not Applicable	

# **SECTION 6 ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

# Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

See section 8

# **Environmental precautions**

See section 12

# Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Minor Spills	<ul> <li>Clean up all spills immediately.</li> <li>Secure load if safe to do so.</li> <li>Bundle/collect recoverable product.</li> <li>Collect remaining material in containers with covers for disposal.</li> </ul>
Major Spills	<ul> <li>Minor hazard.</li> <li>Clear area of personnel.</li> <li>Alert Fire Brigade and tell them location and nature of hazard.</li> <li>Wear physical protective gloves e.g. Leather.</li> <li>Contain spill/secure load if safe to do so.</li> <li>Bundle/collect recoverable product and label for recycling.</li> <li>Collect remaining product and place in appropriate containers for disposal.</li> <li>Clean up/sweep up area.</li> <li>Water may be required.</li> </ul>

Personal Protective Equipment advice is contained in Section 8 of the SDS.

## **SECTION 7 HANDLING AND STORAGE**

# Precautions for safe handling

Safe handling	<ul> <li>Limit all unnecessary personal contact.</li> <li>Wear protective clothing when risk of exposure occurs.</li> <li>Use in a well-ventilated area.</li> <li>When handling DO NOT eat, drink or smoke.</li> <li>Always wash hands with soap and water after handling.</li> <li>Avoid physical damage to containers.</li> <li>Use good occupational work practice.</li> <li>Observe manufacturer's storage and handling recommendations contained within this SDS.</li> </ul>	
Other information	Store away from incompatible materials.	

# Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Suitable container	<ul> <li>Polyethylene or polypropylene container.</li> <li>Packing as recommended by manufacturer.</li> <li>Check all containers are clearly labelled and free from leaks.</li> </ul>	
Storage incompatibility	Avoid contamination of water, foodstuffs, feed or seed.   Avoid storage with other chemicals.	

# **SECTION 8 EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION**

# **Control parameters**

OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURE LIMITS (OEL)

INGREDIENT DATA

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#### Not Available

#### **EMERGENCY LIMITS**

Ingredient	Material name	TEEL-1	TEEL-2	TEEL-3
Railtech Thermal Starter	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available

Ingredient	Original IDLH	Revised IDLH
manufactured product made up of	Not Available	Not Available

# **Exposure controls**

Engineering controls are used to remove a hazard or place a barrier between the worker and the hazard. Well-designed engineering controls can be highly effective in protecting workers and will typically be independent of worker interactions to provide this high level of protection.

The basic types of engineering controls are:

Process controls which involve changing the way a job activity or process is done to reduce the risk. Enclosure and/or isolation of emission source which keeps a selected hazard "physically" away from the worker and ventilation that strategically "adds" and "removes" air in the work environment. Ventilation can remove or dilute an air contaminant if designed properly. The design of a ventilation system must match the particular process and chemical or contaminant in use.

Employers may need to use multiple types of controls to prevent employee overexposure.

General exhaust is adequate under normal operating conditions. If risk of overexposure exists, wear SAA approved respirator. Correct fit is essential to obtain adequate protection. Provide adequate ventilation in warehouse or closed storage areas. Air contaminants generated in the workplace possess varying "escape" velocities which, in turn, determine the "capture velocities" of fresh circulating air required to effectively remove the contaminant.

# Appropriate engineering controls

Type of Contaminant:	Air Speed:
solvent, vapours, degreasing etc., evaporating from tank (in still air)	0.25-0.5 m/s (50-100 f/min)
aerosols, fumes from pouring operations, intermittent container filling, low speed conveyer transfers, welding, spray drift, plating acid fumes, pickling (released at low velocity into zone of active generation)	0.5-1 m/s (100-200 f/min.)
direct spray, spray painting in shallow booths, drum filling, conveyer loading, crusher dusts, gas discharge (active generation into zone of rapid air motion)	1-2.5 m/s (200-500 f/min)
grinding, abrasive blasting, tumbling, high speed wheel generated dusts (released at high initial velocity into zone of very high rapid air motion).	2.5-10 m/s (500-2000 f/min.)

Within each range the appropriate value depends on:

Lower end of the range	Upper end of the range
1: Room air currents minimal or favourable to capture	1: Disturbing room air currents
2: Contaminants of low toxicity or of nuisance value only	2: Contaminants of high toxicity
3: Intermittent, low production.	3: High production, heavy use
4: Large hood or large air mass in motion	4: Small hood - local control only

Simple theory shows that air velocity falls rapidly with distance away from the opening of a simple extraction pipe. Velocity generally decreases with the square of distance from the extraction point (in simple cases). Therefore the air speed at the extraction point should be adjusted, accordingly, after reference to distance from the contaminating source. The air velocity at the extraction fan, for example, should be a minimum of 1-2 m/s (200-400 f/min.) for extraction of solvents generated in a tank 2 meters distant from the extraction point. Other mechanical considerations, producing performance deficits within the extraction apparatus, make it essential that theoretical air velocities are multiplied by factors of 10 or more when extraction systems are installed or used.

Personal protection







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No special equipment for minor exposure i.e. when handling small quantities. OTHERWISE: Safety glasses with side shields. • Contact lenses may pose a special hazard; soft contact lenses may absorb and concentrate irritants. A written policy document, describing the wearing of lenses or restrictions on use, should be created for Eye and face each workplace or task. This should include a review of lens absorption and adsorption for the class of protection chemicals in use and an account of injury experience. Medical and first-aid personnel should be trained in their removal and suitable equipment should be readily available. In the event of chemical exposure, begin eye irrigation immediately and remove contact lens as soon as practicable. Lens should be removed at the first signs of eye redness or irritation - lens should be removed in a clean environment only after workers have washed hands thoroughly. [CDC NIOSH Current Intelligence Bulletin 59], [AS/NZS 1336 or national equivalent] Skin protection See Hand protection below Hands/feet No special equipment needed when handling small quantities. OTHERWISE: Wear chemical protective gloves, e.g. PVC. protection **Body protection** See Other protection below No special equipment needed when handling small quantities. OTHERWISE: Other protection Overalls · Barrier cream. · Eyewash unit.

#### **SECTION 9 PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

# Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Not Available

<b>Appearance</b>
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Thermal hazards

Finished article with welding composition included.|Description of the system:|On ignition, a drop of molten material falls inside the crucible and causes combustion of the aluminothermic portion.|The ignition point is always in the same place, thus obtaining reliability and constancy in weld repetition.|Caution: the portion must always be horizontal in the crucible.

Physical state	Manufactured	Relative density (Water = 1)	Not Available
Odour	Not Available	Partition coefficient n-octanol / water	Not Available
Odour threshold	Not Available	Auto-ignition temperature (°C)	Not Applicable
pH (as supplied)	Not Applicable	Decomposition temperature	Not Available
Melting point / freezing point (°C)	Not Applicable	Viscosity (cSt)	Not Applicable
Initial boiling point and boiling range (°C)	Not Applicable	Molecular weight (g/mol)	Not Applicable
Flash point (°C)	Not Applicable	Taste	Not Available
Evaporation rate	Not Applicable	Explosive properties	Not Available
Flammability	Not Applicable	Oxidising properties	Not Available
Upper Explosive Limit (%)	Not Applicable	Surface Tension (dyn/cm or mN/m)	Not Applicable
Lower Explosive Limit (%)	Not Applicable	Volatile Component (%vol)	Not Applicable
Vapour pressure (kPa)	Not Applicable	Gas group	Not Available
Solubility in water (g/L)	Immiscible	pH as a solution (1%)	Not Applicable

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Vapour density (Air = 1)

Not Applicable

VOC g/L

Not Applicable

# **SECTION 10 STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

Reactivity	See section 7
Chemical stability	Product is considered stable and hazardous polymerisation will not occur.
Possibility of hazardous reactions	See section 7
Conditions to avoid	See section 7
Incompatible materials	See section 7
Hazardous decomposition products	See section 5

## **SECTION 11 TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

# Information on toxicological effects

Inhaled	Not normally a hazard due to physical form of product.
Ingestion	Not normally a hazard due to physical form of product.
Skin Contact	Not normally a hazard due to physical form of product.  The material is not thought to produce adverse health effects or skin irritation following contact (as classified by EC Directives using animal models). Nevertheless, good hygiene practice requires that exposure be kept to a minimum and that suitable gloves be used in an occupational setting.
Eye	Not normally a hazard due to physical form of product.  Although the material is not thought to be an irritant (as classified by EC Directives), direct contact with the eye may produce transient discomfort characterised by tearing or conjunctival redness (as with windburn).
Chronic	Principal routes of exposure are usually by amp;5541

Railtech Thermal	TOXICITY IRRITATION				
Starter	Not Available	Not Available			
Legend:	Value obtained from Europe ECHA Registered Substances - Acute toxicity 2.* Value obtained from manufacturer's SDS. Unless otherwise specified data extracted from RTECS - Register of Toxic Effect of chemical Substances				

Acute Toxicity	0	Carcinogenicity	0
Skin Irritation/Corrosion	0	Reproductivity	0
Serious Eye Damage/Irritation	0	STOT - Single Exposure	0
Respiratory or Skin sensitisation	0	STOT - Repeated Exposure	0
Mutagenicity	0	Aspiration Hazard	0

Legend:

- 🗶 Data available but does not fill the criteria for classification

# **SECTION 12 ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

# **Toxicity**

Ingredient	Endpoint	Test Duration (hr)	Species	Value	Source
Not Available	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

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Legend:

Extracted from 1. IUCLID Toxicity Data 2. Europe ECHA Registered Substances - Ecotoxicological Information - Aquatic Toxicity 3. EPIWIN Suite V3.12 - Aquatic Toxicity Data (Estimated) 4. US EPA, Ecotox database - Aquatic Toxicity Data 5. ECETOC Aquatic Hazard Assessment Data 6. NITE (Japan) -Bioconcentration Data 7. METI (Japan) - Bioconcentration Data 8. Vendor Data

## Persistence and degradability

Ingredient	Persistence: Water/Soil	Persistence: Air
	No Data available for all ingredients	No Data available for all ingredients

# Bioaccumulative potential

Ingredient	Bioaccumulation
	No Data available for all ingredients

# Mobility in soil

Ingredient	Mobility
	No Data available for all ingredients

## **SECTION 13 DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

#### Waste treatment methods

Product / **Packaging** disposal

- Recycle wherever possible or consult manufacturer for recycling options.
- · Consult State Land Waste Management Authority for disposal.
- Bury residue in an authorised landfill.
- · Recycle containers if possible, or dispose of in an authorised landfill.

## **SECTION 14 TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

# **Labels Required**

Marine Pollutant	NO
HAZCHEM	Not Applicable

Land transport (ADG): NOT REGULATED FOR TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS

Air transport (ICAO-IATA / DGR): NOT REGULATED FOR TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS

Sea transport (IMDG-Code / GGVSee): NOT REGULATED FOR TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS

Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL and the IBC code

Not Applicable

# **SECTION 15 REGULATORY INFORMATION**

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

<b>National Inventory</b>	Status
Australia - AICS	Y
Canada - DSL	Υ
Canada - NDSL	Υ
China - IECSC	Υ
Europe - EINEC / ELINCS / NLP	Υ
Japan - ENCS	Υ

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Korea - KECI	Y	
New Zealand - NZIoC	Υ	
Philippines - PICCS	Υ	
USA - TSCA	Υ	
Legend:	Y = All ingredients are on the inventory N = Not determined or one or more ingredients are not on the inventory and are not exempt from listing(see specific ingredients in brackets)	

## **SECTION 16 OTHER INFORMATION**

# Other information

Classification of the preparation and its individual components has drawn on official and authoritative sources as well as independent review by the Chemwatch Classification committee using available literature references.

The SDS is a Hazard Communication tool and should be used to assist in the Risk Assessment. Many factors determine whether the reported Hazards are Risks in the workplace or other settings. Risks may be determined by reference to Exposures Scenarios. Scale of use, frequency of use and current or available engineering controls must be considered.

#### **Definitions and abbreviations**

PC-TWA: Permissible Concentration-Time Weighted Average PC-STEL: Permissible Concentration-Short Term Exposure Limit

IARC: International Agency for Research on Cancer

ACGIH: American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

STEL: Short Term Exposure Limit

TEEL: Temporary Emergency Exposure Limit。

IDLH: Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health Concentrations

**OSF: Odour Safety Factor** 

NOAEL :No Observed Adverse Effect Level LOAEL: Lowest Observed Adverse Effect Level

TLV: Threshold Limit Value LOD: Limit Of Detection OTV: Odour Threshold Value BCF: BioConcentration Factors BEI: Biological Exposure Index