



**Material Safety Data Sheet:  
Copper  
MSDS-003**

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**Section 1: Product Information and Company Identification**

<b>Product Name:</b> Copper	<b>Contact Information:</b>	<b>MCPS Ltd</b>
<b>Synonym:</b> Copper Metal		102/2A Throckley Way
<b>Chemical Name:</b> Copper		Middlefields Industrial Estate
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**Section 2: Composition and Information on Elements**

**Copper:** % by weight – 100%

**Section 3: Hazards Identification**

**Potential Acute Health Effects:** Very hazardous in case of ingestion. Hazardous in case of eye contact (irritant), of inhalation. Slightly hazardous in case of skin contact (irritant).

**Potential Chronic Health Effects:**

CARCINOGENIC EFFECTS: Not available.

MUTAGENIC EFFECTS: Not available.

TERATOGENIC EFFECTS: Not available.

DEVELOPMENTAL TOXICITY: Not available.

The substance is toxic to lungs, mucous membranes.

Repeated or prolonged exposure to the substance can produce target organs damage.

**Section 4: First Aid Measures**

**Eye Contact:** Check for and remove any contact lenses. Do not use an eye ointment. Seek medical attention.

**Skin Contact:** After contact with skin, wash immediately with plenty of water. Gently and thoroughly wash the contaminated skin with running water and non-abrasive soap. Be particularly careful to clean folds, crevices, creases and groin. Cover the irritated skin with an emollient. If irritation persists, seek medical attention. Wash contaminated clothing before reusing.

**Serious Skin Contact:** Not available.

**Inhalation:** Allow the victim to rest in a well ventilated area. Seek immediate medical attention.

**Serious Inhalation:** Not available.

**Ingestion:** Do not induce vomiting. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband. If the victim is not breathing, perform mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. Seek immediate medical attention.

**Serious Ingestion:** Not available.

**Section 5: Fire and Explosion Data**

**Flammability of the Product:** May be combustible at high temperature.

**Auto-Ignition Temperature:** Not available.

**Flash Points:** Not available.

**Flammable Limits:** Not available.

**Products of Combustion:** Some metallic oxides.

**Fire Hazards in Presence of Various Substances:** Not available.

**Explosion Hazards in Presence of Various Substances:** Risks of explosion of the product in presence of mechanical impact: Not available.

**Fire Fighting Media and Instructions:** SMALL FIRE: Use DRY chemical powder. LARGE FIRE: Use water spray, fog or foam. Do not use water jet.

**Special Remarks on Explosion Hazards:** Not available.



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**Section 6: Accidental Release Measures**

**Small Spill:** Use appropriate tools to put the spilled solid in a convenient waste disposal container. Finish cleaning by spreading water on the contaminated surface and dispose of according to local and regional authority requirements.

**Large Spill:** Use a shovel to put the material into a convenient waste disposal container. Finish cleaning by spreading water on the contaminated surface and allow evacuating through the sanitary system. Be careful that the product is not present at a concentration level above TLV. Check TLV on the MSDS and with local authorities.

**Section 7: Handling and Storage**

**Precautions:** Keep away from heat. Keep away from sources of ignition. Empty containers pose a fire risk, evaporate the residue under a fume hood. Ground all equipment containing material. Do not breathe dust. Avoid contact with eyes. Wear suitable protective clothing. In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment. If you feel unwell, seek medical attention and show the label when possible.

**Storage:** Keep container dry. Keep in a cool place. Ground all equipment containing material. Keep container tightly closed. Keep in a cool, well-ventilated place. Combustible materials should be stored away from extreme heat and away from strong oxidizing agents.

**Section 8: Exposure Controls / Personal Protection**

**Engineering Controls:** Use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to keep airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If user operations generate dust, fume or mist, use ventilation to keep exposure to airborne contaminants below the exposure limit.

**Personal Protection:** Splash goggles. Lab coat. Dust respirator. Be sure to use an approved/certified respirator or equivalent. Gloves.

**Personal Protection in Case of a Large Spill:** Splash goggles. Full suit. Dust respirator. Boots. Gloves. A self contained breathing apparatus should be used to avoid inhalation of the product. Suggested protective clothing might not be sufficient; consult a specialist BEFORE handling this product.

**Exposure Limits:** TWA: 1 (mg/m<sup>3</sup>) from ACGIH [1990]

Consult local authorities for acceptable exposure limits.

**Section 9: Physical and Chemical Properties**

**Physical state and appearance:** Solid.

**Odour:** Not available.

**Taste:** Not available.

**Molecular Weight:** 8960 kg/m<sup>3</sup>

**Colour:** Pinkish-red

**pH (1% soln/water):** Not applicable.

**Boiling Point:** 2595°C (4703°F)

**Melting Point:** 1083°C (1981.4°F)

**Critical Temperature:** Not available.

**Specific Gravity:** 8.94 (Water = 1)

**Vapour Pressure:** Not applicable.

**Vapour Density:** Not available.

**Volatility:** Not available.

**Odour Threshold:** Not available.

**Water/Oil Dist. Coeff.:** Not available.

**Ionicity (in Water):** Not available.

**Dispersion Properties:** Not available.

**Solubility:** Insoluble in cold water.

**Section 10: Stability and Reactivity Data**

**Stability:** The product is stable.

**Instability Temperature:** Not available.

**Conditions of Instability:** Not available.

**Incompatibility with various substances:** Not available.

**Corrosivity:** Non-corrosive in presence of glass.

**Special Remarks on Reactivity:** Not available.

**Special Remarks on Corrosivity:** Not available.

**Polymerization:** No.



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**Section 11: Toxicological Information**

**Routes of Entry:** Absorbed through skin. Eye contact. Inhalation. Ingestion.

**Toxicity to Animals:** Not available.

**Chronic Effects on Humans:** The substance is toxic to lungs, mucous membranes.

**Other Toxic Effects on Humans:** Very hazardous in case of ingestion. Hazardous in case of inhalation. Slightly hazardous in case of skin contact (irritant).

**Special Remarks on Toxicity to Animals:** Not available.

**Special Remarks on Chronic Effects on Humans:** Passes through the placenta, excreted in maternal milk.

**Special Remarks on other Toxic Effects on Humans:** Not available.

**Section 12: Ecological Information**

**Ecotoxicity:** Not available.

**BOD5 and COD:** Not available.

**Products of Biodegradation:** Possibly hazardous short term degradation products are not likely. However, long term degradation products may arise.

**Toxicity of the Products of Biodegradation:** The products of degradation are as toxic as the original product.

**Special Remarks on the Products of Biodegradation:** Not available.

**Section 13: Disposal Considerations**

**Waste Disposal:**

**Section 14: Transport Information**

**Special Provisions for Transport:** Marine Pollutant.

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