



## SAFETY DATA SHEET

MAY BE USED TO COMPLY WITH OSHA'S HAZARD COMMUNICATION STANDARD, 29 CFR 1910.1200 AND SUPERFUND AMENDMENTS AND REAUTHORIZATION ACT (SARA) OF 1986 PUBLIC LAW 99-499. STANDARD SHOULD BE CONSULTED FOR SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS.

### SECTION 1: PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

**NAME OF PRODUCT:** US FORGE – Solid Wire Solder (Contains LEAD)  
**DESCRIPTION:** Tin (Sn)/Lead (Pb) Solder  
**PART NUMBERS:** 03030 (25Sn/75Pb), 03033 (50Sn/50Pb), 03034 (50Sn/50Pb)

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**PRODUCT CLASSIFICATION:** Solid Wire Solder - requires a paste or liquid flux

### SECTION 2: HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

**WARNING:** Contains LEAD

**EMERGENCY OVERVIEW:** Odorless solid. Chemically stable and inert. Does not pose a fire hazard. **Non-Flammable:** Flames used for brazing and soldering can ignite combustibles. Molten metal can burn skin. Refer to American National Standard Z49.1 for fire prevention during welding.

**ROUTES OF ENTRY:** Primary route of entry is the respiratory system. Other possible routes are eyes, ingestion, and/or skin contact.

#### POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS:

**EYES:** Dust or fume will be an irritant.  
**SKIN:** No adverse health effects anticipated by this route during proper industrial handling.  
**INGESTION:** Ingestion of dust or fume must be avoided. Lead is toxic and cumulative, affecting the kidneys, reproductive system and nervous system. Symptoms of chronic overexposure include anemia, insomnia, weakness, irritability, constipation and stomach pains. Antimony is toxic and dust or fume can cause nasal septal ulceration and stomach lining irritation.  
**INHALATION:** Inhalation of dust and fumes must be avoided. Irritation of nose and bronchial tracts may occur as well as effects due to absorption of lead, etc. in blood stream. Exposure to fumes may aggravate pre-existing respiratory conditions.

**ACUTE HEALTH HAZARDS:** see Section 11

**CHRONIC HEALTH HAZARDS:** see Section 11

**WARNING:** This product contains or produces a chemical known to the State of California to cause birth defects (or other reproductive harm) and cancer. (California Health & Safety Code 25249.5 et seq.).

**WARNING:** avoid breathing welding fumes and gases; they may dangerous to your health. Always use adequate ventilation and use appropriate personal protection equipment.

#### **CARCINOGENICITY**

**LEAD** - is listed as being carcinogenic to humans by IARC.

**WELDING FUMES** (not otherwise specified) are considered to be carcinogenic defined with no further categorization by NIOSH and IARC.

**Package Labeling:**

Although this product does not require a hazard warning label in all countries, we recommend that the safety advice should be observed:

**Pictograms: GHS07- GHS08****Contains: Lead****LEAD (Pb)****Hazard statements**

H302 Harmful if swallowed

H361 Suspected of damaging fertility or the unborn child

H373 May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure

H413 May cause long lasting harmful effects to aquatic life

**Precautionary statements**

P202 Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood

P264 Wash thoroughly after handling

P260 Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/vapors/spray

P273 Avoid release to the environment

P281 Use personal protective equipment as required

P270 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product

P301 + P312 IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell

P305+P351+P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do - and continue rinsing

P304+P341 IF INHALED: If breathing is difficult, remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing

P302+P352 IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water

P501 Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations

This mixture is classified as dangerous according to Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008.

Lead is considered moderate to high toxicity. In the wire form as solid it is unlikely to be considered a health hazard. However, lead fumes may be produced when the material is melted and lead will be present in any dust. Lead can lead to possible systemic effects and long-term effects as it is considered a cumulative poison.

**CAUTION:**

Limited evidence of carcinogenic effect (welding fumes).

May cause sensitization by skin contact

Brazing/welding fumes and vapors may cause metal fume fever (headache, dizziness, dryness, cough, nausea, and fever) and these symptoms may appear 4-12 hours after exposure

Before using this product, contact your doctor to determine if exposure to product or use of this product will aggravate your medical conditions.

### SECTION 3: COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

**IMPORTANT:** This section covers the materials from which these products are manufactured. Any of the chemicals or compounds subject to reporting under Title III, in Section 313, of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) are marked by the symbol #.

INGREDIENTS	CAS NUMBER	Exposure Limit (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )		Percent Ingredients by Weight
		OSHA PEL	ACGIH-TLV	
Lead #	7439-92-1	0.05	0.05	50 – 75
Tin	7440-31-5	2	2	25 – 50

#### CAS / EINECS NUMBER / HAZARD CLASSIFICATION FOR ABOVE INGREDIENTS

INGREDIENTS	CAS NUMBER	EINECS NUMBER	Hazard Classification per ECD 67/548/EEC
Lead #	7439-92-1	231-100-4	R61 ; R20/22 ; R33 R62
Tin	7440-31-5	231-141-8	No

Exposure limits are subject to change. Contact ACGIH and OSHA for current values. See Section 16 for European Council Directive 67/548/EEC R-phrases and S-phrases if applicable.

### SECTION 4: FIRST AID MEASURES

**EMERGENCY & FIRST AID PROCEDURES:** Call for medical aid. Employ first aid techniques recommended by The American Red Cross.

**EYES:** Flush with a large amount of fresh water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.

**SKIN:** Wash affected area with soap and water to remove dust or particles. If rash develops, see a physician. Get medical attention for irritations that persist.

**INGESTION:** Call poison control center. Seek medical attention.

**INHALATION:** Remove to fresh air. If breathing is difficult administer oxygen. If breathing has stopped, begin artificial respiration and obtain medical assistance immediately.

**GENERAL:** Move to fresh air and call for medical aid.

### SECTION 5: FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

**Flammable:** No

#### NFPA HAZARD CLASSIFICATION:

Health: 2

Flammability: 0

Reactivity: 0

Other:

#### HMIS HAZARD CLASSIFICATION:

Health: 2

Flammability: 0

Reactivity: 0

Protection:

**EXTINGUISHING MEDIA:** Use dry foam, sand, CO<sub>2</sub>. Special powder for metal fires Do **NOT** use water.

**SPECIAL FIRE FIGHTING PROCEDURES:** In case of fire wear self contained breathing apparatus.

**UNUSUAL FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARDS:** None known.

**HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS:** Poisonous lead fumes, carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide and nitrogen oxides may be generated.

## SECTION 6: ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

**ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES:** Avoid generating dust. Solder may be swept up and placed in a container for proper disposal.

**PERSONAL PRECAUTIONS:** If dust is present, use particle filter dust mask. Wear personal protective clothing and ensure adequate ventilation.

**ENVIRONMENTAL PRECAUTIONS:** Do not flush residue into waterways.

## SECTION 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE

**HANDLING:** Avoid exposure to dust and do not ingest. Avoid contact with skin, eyes, and clothing. Some individuals can develop and allergic reaction to certain materials.

**STORAGE:** Keep material sealed and dry before use and store a cool location and in the original labeled container. After using, keep remaining product sealed and dry and keep solder in original labeled container and store in a cool and dry location. Keep product away from moisture and excessive heat during storage.

## SECTION 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION



**Read and understand the manufacturer's instructions and precautionary label on this product.**

Always use adequate ventilation and wear appropriate personal protection. Do not breathe welding fumes and gases; they are dangerous to your health.

**ENGINEERING CONTROLS:** Proper ventilation must be maintained.

**VENTILATION:** Use enough ventilation, local exhaust at the spray area, or both, to keep the fumes and gases below the TLV's in the workers breathing and the general area. Train the worker to keep his head out of the fumes. Monitor fume levels and do not exceed permissible exposure limits or values.

**RESPIRATORY PROTECTION:** Use respirable fume respirator or air supplied respirator when soldering in a confined space or where local exhaust or ventilation does not keep exposure below the TLV's.

**EYE PROTECTION:** Wear safety glasses with side shields, face shield, and/or goggles.

**PROTECTIVE CLOTHING:** Wear gloves when using or prolonged contact with skin or repeated contact with skin is likely. Wear hand and body protection to prevent injury. See ANSI Z49.1 for further information.

**OTHER PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT:** Full protective equipment normally used in soldering / brazing operation so as to prevent any contact. Review operations to avoid contact with hazardous gas, liquid, or solid. See also:

29CFR 1910.132 - 29 CFR 1910.140 Personal Protective Equipment

29 CFR 1910.251 - 29 CFR 1910.257 Welding, Cutting and Brazing

**SKIN PROTECTION:** Individuals having sensitive skin may find it beneficial to use a barrier cream or moisturizer when excessive or prolonged contact with skin is likely.

**WORK HYGIENIC PRACTICES:** Do not eat or consume beverages in the work area.

**EXPOSURE GUIDELINES:** Use industrial hygiene monitoring equipment to ensure that exposure does not exceed applicable national exposure limits.



Soldering fumes cannot be classified simply. The composition and quantity of both are dependent upon the metal being soldered, the process, procedure, and the solder used. Other conditions which also influence the composition and quantity of the fumes and gases to which workers may be exposed include: coatings on the metal being brazed (such as paint, plating, or galvanizing), the volume of the work area, the quality and the amount of ventilation, position of the worker's head with respect to the fume plume, as well as the presence of contaminants in the atmosphere (such as chlorinated hydrocarbon vapors from cleaning and degreasing activities).

When the material is consumed, fume and gas decomposition products generated are different in percent and form from the ingredients listed in Section 3. Fume and decomposition products, not the ingredients in the powder, are important. Decomposition products include those originating from the volatilization, reaction, or oxidation of materials in Section 3, plus those from the base metal and coating, etc., as noted above. These components are virtually always present as complex oxides and not as metals (Characterization of Arc Welding Fume: American Welding Society).

Gaseous reaction products may include carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide. Monitor fume levels. One recommended way to determine the composition and quantity of fumes and gas to which workers are exposed is to take an air sample in the worker's breathing zone (see ANSI/AWS F1.1, F1.2, F1.3, F1.4, and F1.5, available from the "American Welding Society," 550 N.W. LeJeune Road, Miami, FL 33126). In other countries the exposure limits listed above may be different and the appropriate country exposure limits should be used.

## SECTION 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

**Appearance:** Solid. No odor.

**pH:** not applicable

**Melting Point:** 360-620 °F depending on composition

**Flash Point:** not applicable

## SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**GENERAL:** This item is only intended for use in soldering applications.

**STABILITY:** Product is chemically stable and non-reactive.

**HAZARDOUS POLYMERIZATION:** Will not occur.

**MATERIALS TO AVOID:** Oxidizing agents and sodium azide.

**HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION OR BY-PRODUCTS:** Carbon dioxide, carbon monoxide generated on heating. Toxic lead fumes will form at high temperatures. Contact with sodium azide generates lead azide – a detonating compound. Dust should be kept at a minimum.

## SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Threshold Limit Value:** The ACGIH recommended general limit for welding fume NOS (not otherwise specified) is 5 mg/m<sup>3</sup>. The ACGIH 1999 preface states: "The TLV-TWA should be used as guides in the control of health hazards and should not be used as firm lines between safe and dangerous concentrations." See Section 8 for specific fume constituents that may modify the TLV.

**FUMES AND GASES** can be dangerous to your health.

**PRIMARY ROUTES OF ENTRY** are the respiratory system. Other possible routes are eyes and/or skin contact.

**PREEXISTING** respiratory or allergic conditions may be aggravated in some individuals (i.e. asthma, emphysema).

**SHORT TERM (ACUTE) OVEREXPOSURE** to soldering fumes may result in discomfort such as metal fume fever, dizziness, nausea, or dryness or irritation of nose, throat, or eyes. Molten metal may splash, wear protective safety goggles. Skin contact may cause local irritation. **ELEMENTAL TIN:** is not generally considered toxic. Dust of tin oxides had caused a pneumoconiosis which is relatively benign. **LEAD** - It is unlikely that exposure to this material would result in acute illness. However, if symptoms are present, the individual should be removed from exposure and a physician consulted. Mode of entry is by inhalation, ingestion via food, fingers or tobacco. Lead is a cumulative poison. Lead adversely affects the blood cells. Ingestion of dust or fume must be avoided.



**LONG TERM (CHRONIC) OVEREXPOSURE** is believed by some investigators to affect pulmonary functions. Target organs are eyes, skin, and respiratory system. Primary route of entry is by inhalation, ingestion via food, fingers or tobacco. **TIN & TIN COMPOUNDS** – Tin is not regarded as toxic, but excessive exposure can cause fever, nausea, stomach cramps or diarrhea. **LEAD** - Symptoms of chronic overexposure to high levels of airborne or ingested lead include anemia, insomnia, weakness, irritability, constipation and stomach pains. Lead is a cumulative poison. Lead poisoning is one of the commonest occupational diseases. Diseases of the blood and blood-forming organs, kidneys, nervous systems, and possibly reproductive systems may be aggravated by overexposure to lead. Exposure to lead may result in injury to a developing fetus. Occasional blood testing for lead level should be done routinely for individuals who are chronically exposed to lead.

## SECTION 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Contaminated Packaging:** Empty containers should be taken for local recycling, recovery, or waste disposal. Solder may be recycled. Do not flush solder into surface water or sanitary sewers.

## SECTION 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATION

**WASTE DISPOSAL METHOD:** Dispose of any powder and waste residues in accordance with EPA or local regulations. Where possible, recycling is the preferred method of disposal.

Review U.S. Federal Hazardous Waste Regulations §40 CFR261 to determine if this is hazardous in USA. Please be advised that state and local requirements, or other country requirements, for waste disposal may be more restrictive or otherwise different than U.S. Federal regulations.

## SECTION 14: TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

**DOMESTIC TRANSPORT REGULATIONS (USA):** DOT - not regulated.

**DOMESTIC TRANSPORT REGULATIONS (CANADA):** TDG - not regulated.

**DOMESTIC TRANSPORT REGULATIONS (MEXICO):** MEX - not regulated.

### **INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORT REGULATIONS:**

ICAO – not regulated

IATA – not regulated

IMDG / IMO – not regulated

**OTHER AGENCIES:** No international regulations or restrictions are applicable.

Handle with care to avoid damaging the product. Keep product dry and in original labeled container.

## SECTION 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION

**Read and understand the manufacturer's instructions and precautionary label on this product.**

See American National Standard Z49.1, Safety in Welding and Cutting, published by the "American Welding Society," 550 N.W. LeJeune Road, Miami, FL 33126 and OSHA Publication 2206 (29CFR 1910), U.S. Government Printing Office, Superintendent of Documents, P.O. Box 371954, Pittsburgh, PA 15250-7954 for more detail on safe use of product when used in welding applications.

**U.S. EPA TSCA (TOXIC SUBSTANCE CONTROL ACT):** All constituents of these products are on the TSCA inventory list or are excluded from listing.

Spills or releases resulting in the loss of any ingredient at or above its RQ require immediate notification to the National Response Center and to our Local Emergency Planning Committee.



#### EPCRA/SARA TITLE III 313 TOXIC CHEMICALS:

The following metallic components are listed as SARA 313 "TOXIC CHEMICALS" and are potentially subject to annual SARA 313 reporting. See Section 3 if the ingredient is present and for percent.

<u>INGREDIENT NAME</u>	<u>CAS NUMBER</u>	<u>DISCLOSURE THRESHOLD</u>
Chromium & chromium compounds	7440-47-3	1.0 % de minimis concentration
Chromium VI	Not listed	0.1 % de minimis concentration
Barium compounds	Not listed	1.0 % de minimis concentration
Cobalt	7440-48-4	0.1 % de minimis concentration
Copper	7440-50-8	1.0 % de minimis concentration
Manganese	7439-96-5	1.0 % de minimis concentration
Nickel	7440-02-0	0.1 % de minimis concentration
Aluminum (fume or dust)	7429-90-5	1.0 % de minimis concentration
Lead	7439-92-1	0.1 % de minimis concentration
Silver	7440-22-4	1.0 % de minimis concentration

#### SECTION 16: OTHER INFORMATION

This Safety Data Sheet has been revised due to modifications to several paragraphs and/or new format.

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##### R-Phrases:

##### **LEAD**

R61 May cause harm to an unborn child.

R20/22 Harmful by inhalation and if swallowed.

R33 Danger of cumulative effects.

R62 Possible risk of impaired fertility.

#### SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION – DEFINITIONS:

IARC: International Agency for the Research on Cancer

NIOSH: National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

OSHA: U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration

ACGIH: American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service Registry Number

EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances

PEL: Permissible Exposure Limit

NTP: National Toxicology Program

TLV: Threshold Limit Value

ECD: European Council Directive

GHS: Globally Harmonized System

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