# PRODUCT SAFETY DATA SHEET

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Name of product : Nickel-Metal Hydride Storage Battery

## **Substance Identification**

Substance : Nickel-Metal Hydride Storage Battery

CAS No. : Not Specified.

# Composition

Common Chemical name	CAS number	Concentration/ Percentage Range
Nickel Hydroxide	12054-48-7	15-25%
Cobalt Hydroxide	21041-93-0	1-5%
Hydrogen absorbing alloy	7440-02-0(Ni)	20-35%
	7440-48-4(Co)	
	7439-96-5(Mn)	
	7429-90-5(Al)	
Nickel	7440-02-0	3-10%
Iron	7439-89-6	10-25%
Potassium Hydroxide	1310-58-3	0-15%
Sodium Hydroxide	1310-73-2	
Lithium Hydroxide	1310-65-2	

# Hazardous and Toxicity Class:

Class name : Not applicable

Hazard : In case of battery shortage, there is possibility of heat up of

battery and/or leakage.

Toxicity : In case of burning of plastic parts there is possibility of

gas generation, which has toxic for eyes, nose and throat.

#### First Aid Measures

In case of electrolyte leakage from the battery, necessary actions to be taken are described as follows.

Eye contact : Flush the eyes with plenty of clean water such as tap water for

more than 15 minutes without rubbing and immediately

take a medical treatment.

If appropriate procedures are not taken, it may cause a loss of sight.

Skin contact: Wash the contact skin area off immediately with plenty of clean water

such as tap water using soap, otherwise it might cause sore on the skin.

Inhalation : Move the exposed person to fresh air area immediately.

And take a medical treatment immediately.

#### Fire Fighting Measures

- 1. Suitable fire extinguishing media are dry sand and chemical powder fire extinguisher.
- 2. When in firefighting, the air respiratory protection should be used because acrid or harmful gas might be generated when fire is extinguished.
- 3. Remove combustibles at once from a firefighting area.
- 4. Remove the batteries to safe area at once from firefighting place.

#### Measures for electrolyte leakage (Accidental release measures)

(When the electrolysis liquid leaks from the product)

- 1. Wiping it off with the dry towel.
- 2. The fire should not be brought close to it.
- 3. The protection glasses and rubber gloves are put on if necessary.

#### Handling and Storage

- 1) The terminals of the battery pack should be protected in the packing form to be able to prevent them from external short circuit.
- 2) They are packed by the material with enough strength to prevent them from destroyed by vibrates, impact, fall and accumulation, etc. while transporting them.
- 3) Keep batteries out of water and wet when in storage and transported.
- 4) Keep batteries out of fire and avoid the high temperature atmosphere when in storage and transported.

An example of the high temperature: The high temperature storage like in the car exposed to blazing sun should be avoided.

## **Exposure control** (in case of electrolyte leakage from the battery)

Acceptable concentration : Not specified in Japanese industrial hygienic association

and ACGIH

Facilities :Ventilation should be noted such as equipped with the

limited spot area exhaust device used for the battery storage

place.

Protective clothing : The protection glasses, the mask for disaster prevention,

and the protection gloves are used.

#### Physical and Chemical Properties

Externals : The nickel hydrogen storage battery is stored in the plastic resin case or

tube. The voltage value depends on the number of built-in batteries used in

battery pack.

#### Stability and Reactivity

The external short, the crushing transformation, and the high temperature exposure of 100°C or more cause abnormal heat generation and the fire.

#### Toxicological information

When the electrolyte leaks from the product

Acute toxicity : LD50 2g/Kg oral rat

(Based on material safety data sheet of liquid potassium hydro oxide)

Stimulation : The cornea inflammation is caused when the electrolyte gets in eye.

The long time exposure to the electrolyte stimulates mucous membranes

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#### **Ecological Information**

Heavy metal quantity for cell

Hg < 0.5ppm Measurement Analysis: Atomic Absorption Spectrometer</li>
Cd < 5.0ppm Measurement Analysis: Atomic Absorption Spectrometer</li>
Pb < 40ppm Measurement Analysis: Atomic Absorption Spectrometer</li>

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## **Transport Information**

- 1. During the transportation of a large amount of batteries by ship, trailer or railway, do not leave them in the places of high temperatures and do not allow them to be exposed to dew condensation.
- 2. Avoid transportation with the possibility of the collapse of cargo piles and the packing damage.
- 3. Protect the terminals of batteries and prevent them from short circuit so as not to cause dangerous heat generation.

## **Regulatory Information**

- IATA Dangerous Goods Regulations 52th Edition Effective 1January-31December 2011
- ICAO Technical Instructions for the safe transport of dangerous goods by air
- The product is handled as Non-Daugerous Goods by based on IATA(A123) for air shipment and IMDG(SP963) for sea shipment.

## Others

#### References

- Ni-Cd, Ni-MH Panasonic Catalogue and technical handbook.
- MSDS of Nickel hydro oxide and potassium hydro oxide and sodium hydro oxide from supplier.
- Recommendations on the TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS Model Regulations Volume 1. 16th revised edition.
- IATA Dangerous Goods Regulations 52<sup>th</sup> Edition Effective 1 January 31 December 2011
- Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air (Approved and published by decision of the Council of ICAO) 2003-2004 Edition