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1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE/PREPARATION AND OF THE COMPANY/ UNDERTAKING

- 1.1 Identification of the article
- 1.1.1 Commercial Product Name

NICKEL SULPHATE

1.1.2 Product code

N70, N7000, N7021, N7041, N71, N7102, N7103, N7131, N7132, N7133, N7151, N7161, N72, N7201, N73, N74, N7403, N7441, N7451, N75, N7541, N76, N7631, N7633, N7651, N77

1.2 Use of the Substance/Preparation

- 1.2.1 Expressed in writing
- Plating agent;
- 1.3 Identification of the substance/preparation and the company/undertaking
- 1.3.1 Supplier

Norilsk Nickel Harjavalta Oy

1.3.2	Contact information	
	Street address	Teollisuuskatu 1
	Postcode and post office	FIN 29200 Harjavalta
	Telephone	+358 (0)2 53711
	Telefax	+358 (0)2 5371 2250
	Email	product.safety@nornik.fi

1.4 Emergency telephone number

1.4.1Telephone number, name and address
Norilsk Nickel Harjavalta Oy +358 (0)2 537 11
Finnish Poison Center +358 (0)9 4711

2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Carc. Cat. 3 Harmful Dangerous for the environment Harmful if swallowed. Limited evidence of a carcinogenic effect. May cause sensitization by inhalation and skin contact. Very toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

3.1	Hazardous components				
	3.1.1 CAS/EINECS and reg. number	EINECS	3.1.2 Chemical name of the substance	3.1.3 Concentration	3.1.4 n Classification
	10101-97-0	232-104-9	Nickel sulphate hexahydrate	100	Carc. Cat. 3; R40; Xn; R22; R42/43; N; R50/53
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3.1.7 Further information

Substance, inorganic salt (NiSO4 · 6H2O)

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

4.1 Additional advice

If symptoms persist, call a physician.

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4.2 Inhalation

Remove affected person from the immediate area. Ensure supply of fresh air. If breathing is irregular or stopped, administer artificial respiration. Consult a physician.

4.3 Skin contact

Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Remove soiled or soaked clothing immediately. Wash contaminated clothing before re-use.

4.4 Eye contact

Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. If eye irritation persists, consult a specialist.

4.5 Ingestion

Rinse mouth. Consult a physician.

5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

5.1 Suitable extinguishing media

The product itself does not burn. Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment e.g.: Dry powder; Carbon dioxide (CO2); Water spray jet;

5.2 Extinguishing media which must not be used for safety reasons Strong water jet;

5.3 Specific hazards

In the event of fire the following can be released: Metal dust; Metallic oxides; Sulphur oxides (SOx);

5.4 Special protective equipment for firefighters

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus and protective suit.

5.5 Specific methods

Collect contaminated fire extinguishing water separately. Neutralise with e.g. sodium hydroxide. Do not discharge into the drains/surface waters/groundwater.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

6.1 Personal precautions

Refer to protective measures listed in sections 7 and 8.Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Avoid dust formation. Ensure adequate ventilation.

6.2 Environmental precautions Do not discharge into the drains/surface waters/groundwater. Avoid dust formation.

6.3 Methods for cleaning up

Pick up mechanically. Send in suitable containers for recovery or disposal. (Section 13)

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

7.1 Handling

Take note of Directive 98/24/EC on the protection of the health and safety of workers from the risks related to chemical agents at work.

Safe handling advice

Avoid dust formation. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. If workplace exposure limits are exceeded, respiratory protection approved for this particular job must be worn.

Technical measures/Precautions

Provide good ventilation of working area (local exhaust ventilation if necessary).

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Council Directive 96/82/EC on the control of major-accident hazards involving dangerous substances (SEVESO II directive) Technical measures/Storage conditions

Always keep in containers of same material as the original one. Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Incompatible products

Acids;

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

8.1 Exposure Limit Values

8.1.1 National occupational exposure limits

Nickel and its inorganic compounds (water-soluble nickel compounds) (as Ni) TWA: 0,1 mg/m3 Can be absorbed through skin. Capable of respiratory sensitization. UK Workplace Exposure Limits

8.2 Exposure controls

8.2.1 Occupational exposure controls

Take note of Directive 98/24/EC on the protection of the health and safety of workers from the risks related to chemical agents at work.

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Do not breathe dust. Avoid repeated exposure. Wear suitable protective equipment. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location. Remove soiled or soaked clothing immediately. Clean skin thoroughly after work. At work do not eat, drink, smoke or take drugs. Keep away from food, drink and animal feedingstuffs. Keep working clothes separately.

8.2.1.1 Respiratory protection

Use a respirator with filter model P3 (DIN 3181).

8.2.1.2 Hand protection

Protective gloves:Rubber; Butyl-rubber; Neoprene; PVC;

8.2.1.3 Eye protection

Goggles; Face-shield;

8.2.1.4 Skin and body protection Clothing as usual in the chemical industry.

8.2.2 Environmental exposure controls

The employer shall fulfill requirements of IPPC Directive.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

9.1	General Information (appearance, Appearance: Crystalline Colour: Light green Odour: Odourless	odour)
9.2	Important Health Safety and Envir	onmental Information
9.2.1	рН	No data available.
9.2.2	Boiling point/range	No data available.
9.2.3	Flash point	No data available.
9.2.4	Flammability (solid, gas)	No data available.
9.2.5	Explosive properties	
9.2.5.1	Lower explosion limit	No data available.
9.2.5.2	Upper explosion limit	No data available.
9.2.6	Oxidising properties	No data available.
9.2.7	Vapour pressure	No data available.

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9.2.8	Relative density	3,68 g/cm3		
9.2.9 9.2.9.1	Solubility Water solubility	625 g/l		
9.2.9.2	Fat solubility (solvent - oil to be specified)	No data available.		
9.2.10	Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water)	No data available.		
9.2.11	Viscosity	No data available.		
9.2.12	Vapour density	No data available.		
9.2.13	Evaporation rate	No data available.		
9.3	Other data Melting Point / range: Nickel sulphate hexahydrate changes its crysta		oses all crystal water at 280	°C. At 848 °C

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

it decomposes to nickel oxide and sulphuric trioxide.

10.1 Conditions to avoid

Avoid dust formation.

- **10.2** Materials to avoid
- Acids;
- **10.3** Hazardous decomposition products Metallic oxides; Sulphur oxides (SOx);

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

- 11.1 Acute toxicity LD50/oral/rat = 275 mg/kg
 11.2 Primary irritation No data available.
 11.3 Sensitisation May cause sensitization by inhalation and skin contact. May produce an allergic reaction.
 11.4 Subacute, subchronic and prolonged toxicity
- Carc. Cat. 3 11.5 Human experience

No data available.

11.6 Other information of acute toxicity No data available.

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

12.1 12.1.1	Ecotoxicity Aquatic toxicity EC50/48h/Salmo gairdneri: 0,26 mg/l EC50/48h/Asellus aquaticus: 435 mg/l
12.1.2	Toxicity to other organisms No data available.
12.2	Mobility No data available.
12.3 12.3.1	Persistence and degradability Biodegradation Readily biodegradable : no

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12.3.2 Chemical degradation No data available.

12.4 Bioaccumulative potential No data available.

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Council Directive 91/689/EEC on hazardous waste.

EWC Waste code 060313 - solid salts and solutions containing heavy metals

The listed waste code numbers, according to the European Waste Catalogue (EWC), are to be understood as a recommendation (2000/532/EC).

13.1 Contaminated packaging

Contaminated packaging should be emptied as far as possible. Packaging that cannot be cleaned should be disposed as special waste in compliance with local and national regulations.

13.2 Waste from residues / unused products

Contact manufacturer. Dispose of as special waste in compliance with local and national regulations.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

14.1	UN-No	<u>3288</u>
14.2	Packaging group	III
14.3	Land transport	
14.3.1	Class	<u>6.1</u>
14.3.2	Risk No.	<u>60</u>
14.3.3	Description of the goods	UN 3288 - Toxic solid, inorganic, n.o.s. (Nickel sulphate)
14.4 14.4.1	Sea transport IMDG	<u>6.1</u>
14.4.2	Proper shipping name	<u>UN</u> 3288 - Toxic solid, inorganic, n.o.s. (Nickel sulphate)
14.4.2.1	Packaging group	III
14.4.2.2	Marine pollutant	Yes
14.4.2.4	IMO-Labels	<u>6.1 + Marine pollutant</u>
14.5	Air transport	
14.5.1	ICAO/IATA	<u>6.1</u>
14.5.2	Proper shipping name	UN 3288 - Toxic solid, inorganic, n.o.s. (Nickel sulphate)

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Labelling according to Directive 67/548/EEC and 1999/45/EC:

- 15.1 Information on the warning label
- 15.1 EC Label
- 15.1.1 Letter code of the warning symbol and indications of danger for the preparation
 - Xn Harmful
 - N Dangerous for the environment

15.1.2 Names of the ingredients given on the warning label:

Nickel sulphate

15.1.3 R phrase(s)

R22 Harmful if swallowed.

R40 Limited evidence of a carcinogenic effect.

- R42/43 May cause sensitization by inhalation and skin contact.
- R50/53 Very toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.

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15.1.4	S phrase(s)	
	S22	Do not breathe dust.
	S36/37	Wear suitable protective clothing and gloves.
	S60	This material and its container must be disposed of as hazardous waste.
	S61	Avoid release to the environment. Refer to special instructions/safety data sheets.

15.2 National regulatory information:

Nickel and nickel compounds are subject to the UK Chemical Hazards Information and Packaging (CHIP 3).

16. OTHER INFORMATION

R-phrases referred to under sections 2 and 3
Harmful if swallowed.
Limited evidence of a carcinogenic effect.
May cause sensitization by inhalation and skin contact.
Very toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.

16.4 Additional information available from:

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16.5 Literary reference

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16.6 Additions, Deletions, Revisions

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