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**1. Identification of the substance/preparation and of the Company/undertaking****Product Identifier**

**Product Type** KMT - Hard metal articles, inserts, drills, mills  
**Product name** **K6**  
**Product code** KA1139-11

**Type** This article doesn't contain hazardous substances or mixtures intended to be released under normal or reasonably foreseeable conditions of use, not applicable, article

**Other means of identification**

**Synonyms** Hard Metal, Cemented WC, Tungsten Carbide

**Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use**

**Recommended Use** Service life, hardmetal articles, Industrial use, Professional use, Mining Tools, Construction Tools, Round Tools, Metalworking Tools, Inserts, For use in industrial installations only

**Uses advised against** Do no re-sharpen tools without using appropriate safety and extraction systems to avoid dust exposure. Return tools to Kennametal for reconditioning services. Consumer use.

**Details of the Supplier of the Safety Data Sheet****Emergency Telephone Number**

**Emergency Telephone Number** CHEMTREC: +1-703-527-3887 (INTERNATIONAL)  
1-800-424-9300 (NORTH AMERICA)

**NRC (National Response Center)** USA, Poison Centres +1 800 222 1222  
Canada, IWK Regional Poison Center +1 902 470 8161 or 1 800 565 8161

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**2. Hazards Identification****Classification**

As a sintered tool, exposure to high volumes of powder/dust is not anticipated under normal conditions and use. If tool chips, breaks, fragments or is reground, exposure to powder/dust may result in potential health effects.

**Label Elements****Emergency Overview****Precautionary Statements - Prevention**

Wash hands and face thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Avoid release to the environment. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection. In case of inadequate ventilation wear respiratory protection.

**Precautionary Statements - Response**

IF exposed: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician **Skin** If skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice/attention.  
**Inhalation** If experiencing respiratory symptoms: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.

**Appearance** grey solid      **Physical State @20°C** solid      **Odor** none

## Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)

### **WARNING**

Fragmentation hazard. Cutting tools and holders may fragment in use. Always wear safety equipment and keep machine guards in places. Do not re-sharpen tools without using appropriate safety and extraction systems to avoid dust exposure. Return tools to Kennametal for reconditioning services. Use personal protective equipment as required

### **Other Hazards**

Breathing hazard. Wet or dry grinding of cutting tools may produce hazardous dust or mist. Use ventilation control and respiratory protection.

## **3. Composition/Information on Ingredients**

### **Synonyms**

Hard Metal, Cemented WC, Tungsten Carbide.

Chemical name	Formula	CAS-No	weight-%	GHS Classification
Tungsten carbide	WC	12070-12-1	> 50	Not classified
Cobalt	Co	7440-48-4	5 - 10	Acute Oral 4 (H302) Acute dust/mist 1 (H330) Eye damage 2 (H319) Resp. Sens. 1B (H334) Skin Sens. 1 (H317) Carc. 1B (H350i) Repr. tox 2 (H361f) Aquatic Acute 1 M=10(H400) Aquatic Chronic 1 M=1(H410)
Tantalum Carbide	TaC	12070-06-3	1 - 2.5	Not classified

\* The exact percentage (concentration) of composition has been withheld as a trade secret.

### **Full text of H-Statements referred to under sections 2 and 3**

H302 - Harmful if swallowed  
H317 - May cause an allergic skin reaction  
H319 - Causes serious eye irritation  
H330 - Fatal if inhaled  
H334 - May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled  
H350i - May cause cancer by inhalation  
H361f - Suspected of damaging fertility  
H400 - Very toxic to aquatic life  
H410 - Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects

## **4. First aid measures**

### **FIRST AID MEASURES**

#### **General advice**

If symptoms persist, call a physician. Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. In case of accident or unwellness, seek medical advice immediately (show directions for use or safety data sheet if possible).

#### **Eye Contact**

Keep eye wide open while rinsing. If symptoms persist, call a physician. Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes.

#### **Skin contact**

Consult a physician if necessary. Wash off immediately with soap and plenty of water while removing all contaminated clothes and shoes. Wash off immediately with soap and plenty of water.

#### **Inhalation**

Move to fresh air. If breathing is irregular or stopped, administer artificial respiration. Oxygen or artificial respiration if needed. Keep victim warm and quiet. Avoid direct contact with skin. Use barrier to give mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. Get medical attention.

**Ingestion** Drink plenty of water. If symptoms persist, call a physician. Rinse mouth. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Do NOT induce vomiting unless directed to do so by a physician.

**Self-protection of the first aider** Self-protection of the first aider. Wear suitable gloves.

**Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed**

**4.2. Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed** Hives.

**Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**

**Notes to Physician** Treat symptomatically.

## 5. Fire-fighting measures

**Suitable extinguishing media** Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.

**Specific hazards arising from the chemical**

**Protective equipment and precautions for firefighters** Use personal protective equipment as required

**Component Information**

## 6. Accidental release measures

**Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

**Personal precautions** Use personal protective equipment as required.

**Environmental precautions** Avoid release to the environment.

**Methods and material for containment and cleaning up** Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Collect in closed and suitable containers for disposal.

## 7. Handling and Storage

**Precautions for safe handling** Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Wash hands thoroughly after handling. Minimize dust generation and accumulation. Use personal protective equipment as required. Ensure adequate ventilation. Breathing hazard. Wet or dry grinding of cutting tools may produce hazardous dust or mist. Use ventilation control and respiratory protection.

**Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**

**Storage** Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Keep out of the reach of children. Keep containers tightly closed in a cool, well-ventilated place.

**Incompatible products** None known based on information supplied.

**Specific use(s)** For use in industrial installations only.

## 8. Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

**Control parameters**

Chemical name	USA - ACGIH TLV	USA - OSHA PEL	USA - NIOSH IDLH	Argentina	Brazil
Tungsten carbide	-	-	-	TWA: 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> STEL: 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	-
Cobalt	0.02 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA	0.1 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA (dust and fume)	20 mg/m <sup>3</sup> IDLH (dust and fume)	TWA: 0.02 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	-
Chemical name	Canada - Alberta	Canada - British Columbia	Canada - Ontario	Canada - Quebec	Canada - Manitoba
Tungsten carbide	-	-	-	-	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA (as W)
Cobalt	0.02 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA	0.02 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA	0.02 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA	0.02 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWAEV	0.02 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA 0.02 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA (as Co)
Chemical name	Chile	Mexico OEL (TWA)	Peru	Uruguay	Venezuela
Tungsten carbide	-	-	-	-	STEL: 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA: 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Cobalt	TWA: 0.016 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	0.1 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA LMPE-PPT (dust and fume, as Co)	0.02 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA	0.02 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA	TWA: 0.02 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

NIOSH IDLH: Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health

Chemical name	Derived No Effect Level (DNEL)	Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)
Tungsten carbide	6.2 mg/m <sup>3</sup> systemic inhalation	Tungsten 0.338 mg/l freshwater; 0.0338 mg/l marine water; 2.17 mg/kg soil; 11 mg/kg food
Cobalt	0.04 mg/m <sup>3</sup> long term local inhalation	2.36 µg Co/l (AF 3) marine water; 0.74 µg/l (AF 3) fresh water

## Appropriate engineering controls

**Engineering controls**

- Showers
- Eyewash stations
- Ventilation systems.

## Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

**Eye Protection** Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles).

**Skin Protection** Wear impervious gloves and/or clothing if needed to prevent contact with the material. Gloves should be replaced regularly and if there is any sign of damage to the glove material.

**Hand Protection** Protective gloves.

**Respiratory protection** If exposure limits are likely to be exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced, NIOSH/MSHA or EN 136 approved respiratory protection should be worn.

**Hygiene Measures** Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Wash hands thoroughly after handling. Keep away from food, drink and animal feeding stuffs. Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

## Biological standards

Chemical name	USA ACGIH - BEI	Argentina - Occupational Exposure Limits - Biological Exposure Indices (BEIs)	Chile - Occupational Exposure Limits - Biological Exposure Indices (BEIs)
Cobalt	15 µg/L Medium: urine Time: end of shift at end of workweek Parameter: Cobalt (background); 1 µg/L Medium: blood Time: end of shift at end of workweek Parameter: Cobalt (background, semi-quantitative)	15 µg/L urine end of shift on the last day of workweek Co (Background); 1 µg/L blood end of shift on the last day of workweek Co (Background, semi-quantitative)	-
Chemical name	Mexico - Occupational Exposure Limits - BEIs (IBE)	Venezuela - Biological Exposure Indices (BEIs)	...
Cobalt	15 µg/L Medium: urine Time: end of shift at end of work week Parameter: Cobalt	15 µg/L urine end of shift at end of workweek Cobalt (F); 1 µg/L urine end of	-

	(background); 1 µg/L Medium: blood Time: end of shift at end of work week Parameter: Cobalt (background, semi-quantitative)	shift at end of workweek Cobalt (F,Sc)	
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## 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

<b>Physical State @20°C</b>	solid	<b>Appearance</b>	grey, solid
<b>Odor</b>	none	<b>Odor Threshold</b>	none °C / °F
<b>Boiling temperature / boiling range</b>	no data available °C / °F	<b>flash point</b>	not applicable
<b>Vapor Pressure</b>	not applicable	<b>Vapor Density</b>	not applicable
<b>Water solubility</b>	practically insoluble	<b>Autoignition temperature</b>	no data available
<b>Decomposition Temperature</b>	unknown	<b>Dynamic viscosity</b>	not applicable
<b>Explosive properties</b>	not applicable Hardmetal WC-Co (50µm); Lower explosion limit 750 g/cm³, max explosion pressure 4.3 bar, Kst value 16 bar*m/s St1, ignition temperature 500°C, minimum ignition energy < 10 000 mJ	<b>Oxidizing properties</b>	not applicable

## 9.2. Other information

<b>VOC Content (%)</b>	Not Applicable
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## Component Information

Chemical name	Mol. Weight	Water Solub.	Vap. Press.	Vap. Dens.	pH Val.	Autoign. Temp.	Evap. Rate	Boil. Temp.
Cobalt	58.93 g/mol	-	0.00007 hPa at 1050 °C	-	-	-	-	2870 °C
Chemical name	Density VALUE	Melt. Temp.	Flash Point	Water Sol.	Bulk Dens.	Odor	State	color
Tungsten carbide	15.63 g/cm³ at 18 °C	-	-	-	<9.2 kg/m³ (ASTM B329)	-	-	-
Cobalt	8.85 - 8.9 g/cm³ at 20 °C	<1495 °C	-	soluble	-	-	-	-

## 10. Stability and Reactivity

**Reactivity** Stable under normal conditions

**Chemical stability** Stable under normal conditions.

**Possibility of Hazardous Reactions** None under normal processing.

**Conditions to avoid**

**incompatible materials**

**Hazardous decomposition products** None known based on information supplied.

## 11. Toxicological Information

### Information on likely routes of exposure

**Inhalation** Breathing hazard. Wet or dry grinding of cutting tools may produce hazardous dust or mist. Use ventilation control and respiratory protection.

**Eye Contact** Mild eye irritation. Avoid contact with eyes.

## Skin contact

Avoid contact with skin.

## Ingestion

Ingestion is not a likely route of exposure. Ingestion may cause gastrointestinal irritation, nausea, vomiting and diarrhea.

Chemical name	Oral LD50	dermal LD50	Inhalation LC50
Tungsten carbide	> 2000 mg/kg bw (OECD 401)	> 2000 mg/kg bw (OECD 402)	> 5.3 mg/L (4h) (OECD 403)
Cobalt	550 mg/kg bw	>2000 mg/kg bw	0.05 mg/L

## Information on toxicological effects

Chemical name	US ACGIH - Critical effects
Cobalt	asthma; myocardial effects; pulmonary function

## Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure

### Sensitization

May cause sensitization of susceptible persons. May cause sensitization by inhalation and skin contact.

### Carcinogenicity

This product contains one or more substances which are classified by IARC as carcinogenic to humans (Group I), probably carcinogenic to humans (Group 2A) or possibly carcinogenic to humans (Group 2B).

Chemical name	ACGIH	IARC	NTP: (National Toxicity Program)	OSHA
Cobalt	A3 - Confirmed Animal Carcinogen with Unknown Relevance to Humans	Group 2B - Possible Human Carcinogen	Printed Long-Term and Short-Term Study Reports: Long-Term Studies 16 Male Rat - Clear Evidence; Female Rat - Clear Evidence; Male Mice - Clear Evidence; Female Mice - Clear Evidence (TR-581) Present (includes nanoparticles, listed under Cobalt and certain cobalt compounds) Present (see RoC monograph for specific cobalt compounds, listed under Cobalt and certain cobalt compounds)	Not Listed
Chemical name	Chile	Argentina	Venezuela	Peru
Cobalt	A3 - Animal Carcinogen	A3 - Confirmed animal carcinogen with unknown relevance to humans	Present	-

### Chronic toxicity

Repeated or prolonged skin contact with the unexposed coating may cause skin irritation and/or dermatitis and sensitization of susceptible persons. May produce an allergic reaction. Symptoms include burning sensation, coughing, wheezing, shortness of breath, headache, nausea, and vomiting. The mixture may be a skin sensitizer. It may also be a skin irritant and repeated contact may increase this effect. Listed as probable human carcinogen by IARC (Group 2A). Inhalation of dust may cause shortness of breath, tightness of the chest, a sore throat and cough. Repeated contact may cause allergic reactions in very susceptible persons. Contains a known or suspected reproductive toxin.

### Target organ effects

respiratory system, Skin.

### Numerical measures of toxicity

No data available

mg/kg

## 12. Ecological Information

<b>12.1. Ecotoxicity</b>	May cause long lasting harmful effects to aquatic life.
<b>12.2 Persistence and degradability</b>	Product/Substance is inorganic. not applicable.
<b>12.3 Bioaccumulative potential</b>	No information available.
<b>12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment</b>	The components in this formulation do not meet the criteria for classification as PBT or vPvB
<b>12.6 Other adverse effects</b>	None known

## 13. Disposal Considerations

<b>Waste treatment methods</b>	It must undergo special treatment, e.g. at suitable disposal site, to comply with local regulations. It is the responsibility of the waste generator to determine the toxicity and physical properties of the material generated to determine the proper waste identification and disposal methods in compliance with applicable regulations.
<b>Waste from residues/unused products</b>	Reuse or recycle.

<b>California Waste Status</b>	This product contains one or more substances that are listed with the State of California as a hazardous waste.
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Chemical name	California Hazardous Waste Status
Cobalt	Toxic Ignitable

## 14. Transport Information

<b>DOT</b>	Not regulated
<b>TDG</b>	Not regulated
<b>MEX</b>	Not regulated
<b>IMO / IMDG</b>	Not regulated
<b>ICAO / IATA-DGR</b>	Not regulated

## 15. Regulatory Information

Chemical name	TSCA
Tungsten carbide	Present
Cobalt	Present Effective 06/01/1987, Sunset 06/01/1997
Tantalum Carbide	Present
Chemical name	Bolivia - hazardous substances regulated under Bolivia's Environmental Regulations for the Industrial Manufacturing Sector
Cobalt	Present

TSCA - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory  
 DSL/NDSL - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List

## U.S. Federal Regulations

Chemical name	CAS-No	weight-%	SARA 313 - Threshold Values %
Tungsten carbide	12070-12-1	> 50	-
Cobalt	7440-48-4	5 - 10	Present
Tantalum Carbide	12070-06-3	1 - 2.5	-

### SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories

Acute health hazard	yes
Chronic Health Hazard	yes
Fire Hazard	no
Sudden release of pressure hazard	no
Reactive Hazard	no

### Clean Water Act

This product does not contain any substances regulated as pollutants pursuant to the Clean Water Act (40 CFR 122.21 and 40 CFR 122.42)

### CERCLA

This material, as supplied, does not contain any substances regulated as hazardous substances under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) (40 CFR 302) or the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) (40 CFR 355). There may be specific reporting requirements at the local, regional, or state level pertaining to releases of this material

## U.S. State Regulations

### California Proposition 65

This product contains the following Proposition 65 chemicals:..

Chemical name	California - Proposition 65 - Carcinogens List	California - Proposition 65 - Developmental Toxicity	California - Proposition 65 - Reproductive Toxicity	California - 22 CCR - Toxic and Extremely Hazardous Carcinogenic Wastes
Cobalt	carcinogen, initial date 7/1/92 (powder)	-	-	-

## U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations

Chemical name	New Jersey	Massachusetts	Pennsylvania
Tungsten carbide	sn 1960	-	-
Cobalt	sn 0520	Present	Environmental hazard (fume) Present

### CANADA

#### **WHMIS Statement**

In the form of a pressed and sintered item, this is a manufactured article and is not a "controlled product" under WHMIS.

Chemical name	WHMIS Classifications of Components
Cobalt	D2A, D2B

## 16. Other Information

### **Global Automotive Declarable Substance List Classifications**

Chemical name	Global Automotive Declarable Substance List Classifications	Global Automotive Declarable Substance List Thresholds
Cobalt	Declarable Substance (FI)	0.1 %

### NFPA

Health hazard 2

Flammability 0

Instability 0

Physical and Chemical Hazards -

### HMIS

Health hazard 2

Flammability 0

Physical hazards 0

Personal precautions X

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**Disclaimer**

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