

# LEAD PRODUCTS COMPANY, INC.

## MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

### SECTION I - PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION & USE

**Product Name:** Lead Base Babbitt

**Common Name or Synonyms:** #4 Hardware Babbitt, Anti-friction Babbitt, #4 Babbitt, or Bullet Lead.

**Intended Use:** Industrial or Commercial

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### SECTION II - COMPOSITION

INGREDIENTS	CAS NO.	OSHA PEL	ACGIH TLV	APPROX. WT. %
Lead	7439-92-1	0.05 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	0.15 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	70 – 100
Antimony	7440-36-0	0.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	0.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	0 – 18
Tin	7440-31-5	2.0 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	2.0 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	0 – 11
Copper	7440-50-8	0.1 mg/m <sup>3</sup> fume	0.2 mg/m <sup>3</sup> fume	0 – 1
(fume & dust)		1.0 mg/m <sup>3</sup> dust	1.0 mg/m <sup>3</sup> dust	
Arsenic	7440-38-2	0.01 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	0.01 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	0 – 2

### SECTION III – HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

**Emergency Overview:** Exposure to the solid form of this product presents few health hazards in itself. However, normal handling or processing of this material may result in the generation of lead dusts and /or fumes, which may present a potential health hazard.

### SECTION III – HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION (continued)

<b>Acute Exposure: (Severe Short-Term)</b>	Acute overexposure to lead may lead to central nervous system disorders, characterized by: weakness, vomiting, uncoordinated body movements, drowsiness, seizures, coma & death. It should be recognized that exposures of this magnitude in an industrial environment are extremely unlikely.
<b>Chronic Exposure: (Prolonged)</b>	Chronic overexposure to lead can result in systemic lead poisoning with symptoms of: metallic taste, anemia, insomnia, weakness, constipation, abdominal pain, gastrointestinal disorders, joint and muscle pains, and muscular weakness, and may cause damage to the blood-forming, nervous kidneys & reproductive systems. Damage may include reduced fertility in both men and women, damage to the fetus of exposed pregnant women, anemia, muscular weakness and kidney dysfunction.
<b>Carcinogenicity:</b>	<b>NTP:</b> Yes <b>IARC:</b> Yes <b>OSHA:</b> Yes
<b>Eye:</b>	Dust, vapor and/or fume may cause irritation.
<b>Skin Contact:</b>	Dust, vapor and/or fume may cause irritation.
<b>Skin Absorption:</b>	Dust, vapor and/or fume are not readily absorbed through the skin.
<b>Inhalation:</b>	Dust, vapor and/or fume may be irritating to the respiratory system, and can result in both acute and chronic overexposure.
<b>Ingestion:</b>	Dust, vapor and/or fume may be absorbed through the digestive system, and can result in both acute and chronic overexposure.

### SECTION IV- EMERGENCY AND FIRST AID PROCEDURES

<b>Eye:</b>	Flush well with running water to remove particulate (s). If irritation persists, get medical attention.
<b>Skin Contact:</b>	Follow normal hygiene & first aid procedures - wash with soap and water.
<b>Inhalation:</b>	Remove from exposure. Get medical attention if experiencing effects of overexposure. See Section III.
<b>Ingestion:</b>	Give water; induce vomiting only in a conscious non-convulsing individual; obtain immediate medical attention.
<b>Note to Physician:</b>	

Lead and its inorganic compounds are neurotoxins which may produce peripheral neuropathy. For an overview of the effects of lead exposure, consult Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Appendix A of occupational exposure to lead (29 CFR 1910.1025). Tin and its inorganic compounds are primary chemical irritants of the skin, and stannic oxide has been shown to cause benign pneumoconiosis. Inhalation of copper dust has caused, in animals, hemolysis of the red blood cells, deposition of hemofusion in the liver and pancreas, and injury to the lung cells. Copper is not normally toxic when ingested orally in amounts expected from occupational exposure. Exposure to copper dust, vapor or fumes may cause metal fume fever.

## SECTION IV- EMERGENCY AND FIRST AID PROCEDURES (continued)

### Additional Information

Pre-employment medical evaluations are recommended for large users of this product (required at contaminant exposure levels exceeding the lead allowable - see OSHA Lead Standard, 29 CFR 1910.1025). Attention should be directed to skin, eyes, respiratory tract, blood, kidneys, pulmonary function and neurological health.

Periodic medical examinations should be repeated on an annual basis for those employees exposed to potentially hazardous levels of this product. Please consult the U.S. OSHA lead standard (29 CFR 1910.1025) for specific guidance; periodic medical examinations are required under certain circumstances.

U.S. OSHA biological limit for blood lead level as prescribed at U.S. OSHA standard 29 CFR 1910.1025.

## SECTION V- FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARD INFORMATION

<b>Flash point:</b>	Non-flammable
<b>Flammable limits:</b>	Not applicable
<b>Extinguishing media:</b>	Dry chemical, CO2 should be used on surrounding fire. <b>Do not use water on fires where molten metal is present.</b>
<b>Special fire fighting procedures:</b>	Use approved full-face piece self-contained breathing apparatus & full protective clothing if involved in fire.
<b>Unusual fire &amp; explosion hazards:</b>	Molten metals produce fume/dust/mist that may be toxic &/or respiratory irritants. Products or dust can react vigorously w/strong oxidizing agents.

## SECTION VI – ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

<b>Spill or Leak Procedures:</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1) Material in dust form - minimize exposure. Clean-up using dustless methods (e.g., HEPA vacuum). Do not use compressed air.</li><li>2) Place in closed labeled containers for recycling or disposal.</li><li>3) Keep out of waterways.</li></ol>
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Note: Response personnel should wear protective clothing & respiratory protection where dust/fume exposure exists.

**Other Procedures:** For large product users or operations involving large product quantities, we recommend that the purchaser establish a Spill Prevention, Control and Countermeasures (SPCC) Plan. The SPCC Plan should include procedures for proper storage as well as clean-up of spills or leaks. The procedures should conform to safe practices and provide for proper recovery and/or disposal. Depending on the quantity spilled, notification to the National Response Center (800-424-8802) may be required in case of hazardous substances. (See U.S. EPA and U.S. DOT regulations; also various state and local regulations.)

## SECTION VII – HANDLING & STORAGE

**Handling Information:** Practice good housekeeping procedures to prevent dust accumulations. Keep material dry, where accidental contact with acids is not possible. Avoid storage near incompatible materials (see Section X). Avoid skin contact and keep away from children & their environment, feed products, food products and domestic animals.

**Other Precautions:** Special attention is drawn to the requirements of the U.S. OSHA Lead Standard (29 CFR 1910.1025) and Respirator Standard (29 CFR 1910.134) should airborne exposures exceed the U.S. OSHA Action Level (AL) or PEL. Inadvertent contaminants to product such as moisture, ice, snow, grease, or oil can cause an explosion when charged to a molten metal bath or melting furnace (preheating metal should remove moisture from product).

## SECTION VIII – EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

**Respiratory Protection:** Respiratory protection is required where airborne exposures exceed U.S. OSHA /ACGIH permissible air concentrations. Respirator selection shall be made in accordance with the U.S. OSHA Occupational Exposure Standard for Lead at 29 CFR 1910.1025 and the Respiratory Protection Standard at 29 CFR 1910.134.

**Ventilation:** Good general dilution ventilation or ventilation, as described in “industrial ventilation, a manual of recommended practice”, by the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH), is recommended in order to maintain exposure levels below the Threshold Limit Values (TLV’s) specified by U.S. OSHA or other local or state regulations.

**Protective Gloves:** Recommended for prolonged contact/heat. Required above the lead PEL.

**Eye Protection:** Safety glasses or goggles are recommended where the possibility of getting dust particles in the eyes exists. A face shield is recommended in areas around molten metal.

**Other Protective Equipment:** Full protective clothing and shoes are required for employee exposure above the lead PEL. Other safety equipment should be worn as appropriate for the work environment. Keep work clothing separate from street clothes.

**Work/Hygienic Practices:** Do not permit eating, drinking, or the use of cosmetics or tobacco products while handling or processing material or while in work areas. Practice good personal hygiene procedures. Wash hands and face thoroughly before eating, drinking, applying cosmetics, or using tobacco products. Full protective clothing is to be worn by workers exposed to concentrations of lead dust/fume above the PEL, and showering is required before changing into street clothes. Keep work clothing separate from street clothes. Work clothes and equipment should remain in designated lead contaminated areas and never taken home or laundered with personal clothing. Avoid inhalation and ingestion of product, and activities which generate dust or fume. Keep melting temperatures as low as possible to minimize the generation of fume.

## SECTION IX – PHYSICAL/ CHEMICAL CHARACTERISTICS

<b>Appearance At Normal Conditions:</b>	Blue Gray Metal
<b>Odor At Normal Conditions:</b>	No Detectable Odor
<b>Specific Gravity (H<sub>2</sub>O = 1):</b>	10.8 - 11.3
<b>Melting Point (Degrees F):</b>	486° – 621° F
<b>Boiling Point (Degrees F):</b>	> 2516° F
<b>Solubility In Water:</b>	Insoluble
<b>Evaporation Rate</b>	Not Applicable
<b>Vapor Density:</b>	Not Applicable
<b>Vapor Pressure:</b>	Not Applicable
<b>pH:</b>	Not Applicable

## SECTION X – STABILITY & REACTIVITY

<b>Stability:</b>	Stable
<b>Conditions To Avoid:</b>	Accidental contact with acids or strong oxidizers
<b>Incompatibility:</b>	Strong oxidizers, hydrogen peroxide; active metals – sodium and potassium. Powdered lead fused with ammonium nitrate may cause a violent reaction. <b>Never mix molten metal with water - it will explode.</b>
<b>Hazardous Decomposition By Products:</b>	Heavy metal oxide fumes vapor, and/or dust may be generated at high temperatures.
<b>Hazardous Polymerization:</b>	Will not occur

## SECTION XI – DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

**Waste disposal methods:** May have value if recycled. Dispose of toxic substances & hazardous wastes in accordance with all federal, state and/or local disposal or discharge regulations. Under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), it is the responsibility of the user of the product to determine, at the time of disposal, whether the product falls under the RCRA as a hazardous waste. This is because product uses, transformations, synthesis, mixtures, etc. may cause the resulting end-product to be classified as hazardous.

## SECTION XII – TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

<b>U.S. DOT Shipping Name:</b>	Not regulated by U.S. DOT as shipped
<b>Hazard Class:</b>	Not Applicable
<b>UN / ID No.</b>	Not Applicable
<b>U.S. DOT Label (s)</b>	Not Applicable

## SECTION XIII – REGULATORY INFORMATION

**Federal Drinking Water Standards:**

Lead:	0.015 mg/L
Antimony:	0.006 mg/L
Tin:	Not Established
Copper:	1.3 mg/L
Arsenic:	0.01 mg/L

**EPRA, SARA Title III, Section 313:** Yes, see Title 40 CFR Part 372  
For chemicals subject to reporting requirements (see Section II for percent by weight of each toxic chemical and its associated Chemical Abstract System (CAS) number).  
Threshold Determination: Lead 100 pounds

**CERCLA Hazardous Substances:** Yes, see Title 40 CFR Part 302  
Reporting Quantity (RQ)

Lead:	10 pounds
Antimony:	5,000 pounds
Tin:	Not Established
Copper:	5,000 pounds
Arsenic:	1 pound

**U.S. DOT:** See Section XII

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