

# PROPOSITION 65 (SAFE DRINKING WATER AND TOXIC ENFORCEMENT ACT OF 1986) STATEMENT

## **Statement Scope**

This Statement is provided for Speciality Steel UK Ltd customers in the United States of America excluding customers in the State of California.

## What is Proposition 65?

Proposition 65 requires businesses to provide warnings to Californians about significant exposures to chemicals that cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm. These chemicals can be in the products that Californians purchase, in their homes or workplaces, or that are released into the environment. By requiring that this information be provided, Proposition 65 enables Californians to make informed decisions about their exposures to these chemicals.

Proposition 65 also prohibits California businesses from knowingly discharging significant amounts of listed chemicals into sources of drinking water.

Proposition 65 requires California to publish a list of chemicals known to cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm. This list, which must be updated at least once a year, has grown to include approximately 900 chemicals since it was first published in 1987.

Proposition 65 became law in November 1986, when California voters approved it by a 63-37 percent margin. The official name of Proposition 65 is the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986.

### Liberty Speciality Steels Statement on Proposition 65 and our products

Steel is not listed on the Proposition 65 'chemicals known to the state to cause cancer or reproductive toxicity  $23^{rd}$  November 2018.

Common Steel alloying elements such as Chromium, Cobalt, lead, Nickle are listed in proposition 65.

Steel containing the listed chemicals does not release the individual chemicals in levels above the NSRL or MADL (ug/day).

However Processing of these steels may release levels of the listed chemicals.

## EXTRACT - List of Chemicals (Steel alloying elements only)

The Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 requires that the Governor revise and republish at least once per year the list of chemicals known to the State to cause cancer or reproductive

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toxicity. For easy reference, chemicals which are newly added are shown in underline. Chemicals or endpoints shown in strikeout were placed on the Proposition 65 list on the date noted, and have subsequently been removed. A hyperlink is provided for the basis for removing the chemical.

In the Listing Mechanism column, "AB" denotes authoritative bodies, "SQE" denotes State's Qualified Experts, "FR" denotes formally required to be labelled or identified, and "LC" denotes Labor Code. For those chemicals for which the basis for listing documentation is available electronically, a hyperlink to the documentation is provided. The identification number indicated in the following list is the Chemical Abstracts Service (CAS) Registry Number. No CAS number is given when several substances are presented as a single listing. The date refers to the initial appearance of the chemical on the list. For those chemicals for which a no significant risk level (NSRL) for carcinogens or maximum allowable dose level (MADL) for reproductive toxicants has been adopted, it is denoted in the column, "NSRL or MADL." For those NSRLs or MADLs for which the risk assessment documentation is available electronically, a hyperlink to the documentation is provided.

Chemical	Type of Toxicity	Listing Mechanism	CAS No.	Date Listed	NSRL or MADL (µg/day)ª
Cobalt metal powder	cancer	AB	7440- 48-4	1-Jul-92	
Lead [Basis for listing changed effective November 22, 2013]	developmental, female, male	FR		27-Feb- 87	0.5
Nickel (Metallic)	cancer	LC	7440- 02-0	1-Oct- 89	
Nickel refinery dust from the pyrometallurgical process	cancer	SQE		1-Oct- 87	0.8

### **Customer Action Required**

If steel containing the substances listed are supplied into the State of California then the requirements of Proposition 65 should be complied with.

For further information contact the Environment department of Speciality Steels.

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