# MATERIAL HAZARDS

### HAZARD SYMBOLS

#### **HAZARDS**

Allergies

**Toxic Gas** 

Death

Medical

Toxic

Cuts

**Burns** 

DO NOT USE

#### Eye **⊕н ⊚м ⊕** L LH LM LL Nose Mouth **⇔н ⇔м ⇔**L Hand €H €M€L Poisonous **Explosive** Corrosive Carcinogen Flammable Fatal (P) Narcotic

#### **SAFETY PRACTICES**

Wet Mop	4
Ventilation	
Dustmask	Q
Gloves	41
Wash hands	\$
Avoid Ingestion	
Proper Storage	
Goggles	60
Avoid Flame	***

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Silver soldering temperatures are about 650-815 degrees C. or 1200-1500 degrees F..

Silver solder may contain cadmium and release fumes which can be fatal.

Contact with the torch flame and hot or molten metal can cause severe burns.

Fumes from fluxes may cause inhalation irritation. Use with proper ventilation. Use safe fluxes which do not release harmful fumes.

Various casting methods such as channel molds, sand molds, and lost wax molding all envolve potentially hazardous processes and materials.

Silica dusts in all three processes pose an inhalation hazard. Use respirators and proper ventilation in the studio.

Wear protective goggles and aprons when soldering and melting metals to avoid burns from molten metal.

Handle tools, files, saws, snips, and engravers properly to avoid cuts and burns.

Cleaning and detching silver with sparex and acids must be done in a properly vented work space. Use proper tongs, basins and storage bottles for these processes. Always wear proper gloves and goggles when using this procedure.

Wear goggles when grinding and polishing to avoid flying pieces of metal or particles of polish.

MATERIAL	SYMBOL	HAZARD
METAL FABRICATION  ANNEALING  Fuel gases propane acetylene oxygen	終	Fire and explosive hazards See SCULPTURE- Welding
Sparex sodium bisulfate Sulfuric acid	⊕€ ⊕ # € #	Corrosive to eyes and skin Corrosive to eyes and skin
CUTTING PIERCING FILING Silver particles		Metal fililogs can cut eyes and skin Silver particles imbedded in skin can cause localized argyria or blue black discoloration
FORGING Noise Carbon monoxide	\ <b>\^</b>	Hearing damage Avoid inhalation of fumes Thermal burns
METAL CASTING  CHANNEL MOULDS  Investment plaster free silica Pumice	<i>ن</i>	Inhalation irritant Silicosis

SYMBOL	SAFETY PRACTICE * CLEAN-UP	ALTERNATIVES
<b>60</b>	Wear goggles  Wear gloves when mixing or handling acid  Use with proper ventilation	
<b>6</b>	Wear goggles  AVOID getting silver particles in cuts  Wash hands after use	
	Wear ear plugs if noise is at a high level  Wear gloves  Work in properly ventilated area  Mix investment in fume hood  Wear approved respirator  Wet mop cleanup	Use non-silica investment

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METAL CASTING		
CUTTLE BONE MOULDS		
Dust	6 M	Respiratory irritation
Borax flux aqueous sodium silicate		Allergies
Waterglass	<b>O</b>	Toxic to skin and eye contact
	<b>*</b>	Alkali burns
LOST WAX MOLDS		
investment plaster		
silica fiber cristobalite	1 6H	Silicosis
asbestos powder	⇔н	Lung and stomach cancer
Shell molds		
Slurries		
silica solutions zircon	4	Silicosis
fused silica	Фн	Eye irritation
ethyl silicate	⇔н	Ingestion may cause liver and kidney damage
Wax	•	Eye irritation
hydrocarbons	<b>4</b>	fumes from wax burnout
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SYMBOL	SAFETY PRACTICE * CLEAN-UP	ALTERNATIVES
60°	Clean cuttle bone to avoid possibility of infection  Wet sanding technique to avoid creating dust  Wear goggles  Wear gloves	
*	Use proper respirator and proper venting when dry mixing  Wet-mop cleanup  Avoid ingestion	
*	Use proper ventilation. If you can smell it , improve ventilation	
*	Use with proper ventilation	
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METAL CASTING  MELTING METAL  POURING METAL		
Lead Peuter } Lead Bronze	<b>∠</b> H	Lead poisoning
Bronze Brass } Zinc	∠ M	Metal fume fever
Nickle nickle carbonyl gas	THE STATE OF THE S	Gas can be fatal  Carcinogen -lung and nasal cancer
Molten metal infrared radiation	<b>©</b>	Eye damage Thermal burns
SAND MOLDS High silica sand	6 H	Silicosis
Setting resin	\( \rightarrow \tau \)	Allergies  Toxic by ingestion  Skin irritation and allergies

SYMBOL	SAFETY PRACTICE * CLEAN-UP	ALTERNATIVES
छ	Wear respirator	
¥	Use with proper ventilation	
8	Wear respirator	
*	Use with proper ventilation	
0	AVOID use	
<b>₩</b>	Wear infrared goggles, a face shield, and apron	Ensure centrifugal casting equipment is properly balanced to avoid flying molten metal
<b>₩</b>	Use respirator Wear gloves	
<b>8</b>	Wear goggles when using resin Use respirator or dust mask Use proper ventilation Wear gloves	

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MATERIAL	SYMBOL	HAZARD
SOLDERING  FUEL GASES  Propane Acetylene Oxygen	級	Fire and explosive hazards See SCULPTURE- Welding
FLUX Flouride fumes	<b>%</b>	Respitatory irritation may cause nosebleeds and ulceration
SILVER SOLDER Cadmium	∠ H	Highly toxic gas  Kidney damage, lung and prostrate cancer  Thermal burns
CLEANING POLISHING FINISHING GRINDING / POLISHING Wire brush buffing wheels	<b>⊕</b> H ∠H	Flying dust, metal particles and particles from polishing abrasives  Dust allergies

SYMBOL	SAFETY PRACTICE * CLEAN-UP	ALTERNATIVES
	See SCULPTURE -Welding	
<b>≅</b>	Wear respirator  Work in properly ventilated area	
<b>☆</b>	Wear respirator  Work in properly ventilated area	
© >> **	Wear goggles Wear dust respirator Machinery should be properly vented	

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MATERIAL	SYMBOL	HAZARD
GRINDING/POLISHING  Pumice  Rouge abrasive material  Tripoli silica	<b>©</b> 3	Particles hitting the eye  Avoid inhalation of dust  Silicosis
PICKLING Nitric acid Sulfuric acid sulfur dioxide Sparex sodium bisulfate		Toxic eye irrritant Inhalation irritation especially to asthmatics Burning and blistering of skin May cause dermatitis
SANDBLASTING Sand Carborundum Air pressure	@ J W	Eye irritant Silicosis from breathing sand containing silica Skin abbrasion

SYMBOL	SAFETY PRACTICE * CLEAN-UP	ALTERNATIVES
60	Wear goggles	
छ	Wear dust respirator	
	Use holding device for polishing	
<b>a</b>	Wash hands after use	
69	Wear goggles	
7.3	Use respirator mask	
*	Use in fume cupboard	
0	AVOID boiling as it may cause it to splash onto skin or eyes	
© ☆ <b>1</b>	Wear goggles Wear proper dust mask Wear gloves	Use carborundum or glass beads instead of sand

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