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Cobalt could even be a element with the symbol Co and number 27. The free element, produced by reductive smelting, is a hard, lustrous, silver-gray metal. Cobalt blue could even be a blue pigment made by sintering cobalt (II) oxide with aluminum (III) oxide (alumina) at 1200 °C. Chemically, cobalt blue pigment is cobalt (II) oxide-aluminium oxide, or cobalt (II) aluminate, CoAl2O4. Transparent glasses are tinted with the silica-based cobalt pigment smalt. Cobalt (Co) could also be a component with a number of 27 and is one among the groups of transition metals. It can readily be obtained within the sort of blocks, rods, or powder and its commonest impurities are iron, nickel, sodium, and potassium. There are two allotropic kinds of cobalt: close-packed hexagonal, which is stable at temperature, and face-centered cubic, which is stable above 417°C and which can be produced from the hexagonal form by an appropriate annealing procedure. Much of the published work on solid cobalt refers to the hexagonal close-packed crystal structure, which suggests that the optical properties should vary along different crystal directions. This chapter reviews the results of varied experimental work regarding the optical properties of cobalt. The earliest attempts to figure out cobalt in silicate and other rocks used a separation based upon the insolubility of cobalt sulfide in alkaline solution. It's difficult to use colorimetric methods to work out cobalt in basalts and other similar rocks. Cobalt forms a red-violet color complex with dithizone which may be extracted into carbon Tet or chloroform solution for photometric measurement. Cobalt is usually determined by atomic absorption spectroscopy (AAS) employing a wavelength of 240.7 nm.

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Cobalt (Co) could even be a metal utilized in numerous diverse commercial, industrial, and military applications, many of which are strategic and important. On a worldwide basis, the leading use of cobalt is in rechargeable battery electrodes. Superalloys, which are wont to make parts for turbine engines, are another major use for cobalt. Cobalt is additionally used to make airbags in automobiles; catalysts for the petroleum and chemical industries; cemented carbides (also called hardmetals) and diamond tools; corrosion- and wear-resistant alloys; drying agents for paints, varnishes, and inks; dyes and pigments; ground coats for porcelain enamels; high-speed steels; magnetic recording media; magnets; and steel-belted radial tires. Cobalt could even be a troublesome, lustrous, grey metal with a high freezing point (1493°C). Cobalt is used mainly in production of chemicals (58 percent), super alloys for turbine blades and jet aircraft engines, special steel, carbides, diamond tools and magnets. By far, the foremost important producer of cobalt is Congo, followed by Canada, China, Russia and Zambia. Cobalt futures are available for trading within the London Metal Exchange (LME). The quality contact features a size of 1 tonne. The patented Cobalt Swim Step is already easy to use. Making it easy to board the boat from within the water. But now, all it takes could even be a push of a button and thus the step folds into the water or returns from the water to the stowed position all from the convenience of the aft sun pad. Now available on the new generation R series - excluding outboards. Four dihalides of cobalt(II) are known: cobalt(II) fluoride (CoF2, pink), cobalt(II) chloride (CoCl2, blue), cobalt(II) bromide (CoBr2, green), cobalt(II) iodide (CoI2, blue-black). These halides exist in anhydrous and hydrated forms. Whereas the anhydrous dichloride is blue, the hydrate is red.[16]

The reduction potential for the reaction Co3+

 $+ e^- \rightarrow Co2+$

is +1.92 V, beyond that for chlorine to chloride, +1.36 V. Consequently,cobalt(III) and chloride would result in the cobalt(III) being reduced to cobalt(II). Because the reduction potential for fluorine to fluoride is so high, +2.87 V, cobalt (III) fluoride is one of the few simple stable cobalt (III) compounds. Cobalt (III) fluoride, which is used in some fluorination reactions, reacts vigorously with water.

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