# **Material Safety Data Sheet**

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#### 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product name : Borax Anhydrous

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#### 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

#### **Emergency Overview**

#### **OSHA Hazards**

Target Organ Effect, Teratogen, Reproductive hazard

#### **Target Organs**

Central nervous system, Kidney, Testes.

#### **GHS Classification**

Acute toxicity, Dermal (Category 5) Acute toxicity, Oral (Category 5) Reproductive toxicity (Category 1B) Acute aquatic toxicity (Category 3)

### GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Pictogram

Signal word Danger

Hazard statement(s)

H303 + H313 May be harmful if swallowed or in contact with skin.

H360 May damage fertility or the unborn child.

H402 Harmful to aquatic life.

Precautionary statement(s)

P201 Obtain special instructions before use.

P308 + P313 IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/ attention.

**HMIS Classification** 

Health hazard: 1
Chronic Health Hazard: \*
Flammability: 0
Physical hazards: 0

#### **NFPA** Rating

Health hazard: 0 Fire: 0 Reactivity Hazard: 0

#### **Potential Health Effects**

InhalationMay be harmful if inhaled. May cause respiratory tract irritation.SkinMay be harmful if absorbed through skin. May cause skin irritation.

**Eyes** May cause eye irritation. **Ingestion** May be harmful if swallowed.

#### 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Synonyms : Sodium tetraborate

Formula : B<sub>4</sub>Na<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>
Molecular Weight : 201.22 g/mol

CAS-No.	EC-No.	Index-No.	Concentration		
Disodium tetraborate					
1330-43-4	215-540-4	005-011-00-4	-		

#### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

#### General advice

Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Move out of dangerous area.

#### If inhaled

If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Consult a physician.

#### In case of skin contact

Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Consult a physician.

#### In case of eye contact

Flush eyes with water as a precaution.

#### If swallowed

Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. Consult a physician.

### 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

#### Suitable extinguishing media

Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.

### Special protective equipment for fire-fighters

Wear self contained breathing apparatus for fire fighting if necessary.

#### **Hazardous combustion products**

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Borane/boron oxides, Sodium oxides

## **6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

### Personal precautions

Use personal protective equipment. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapors, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Avoid breathing dust.

#### **Environmental precautions**

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains. Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

#### Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Pick up and arrange disposal without creating dust. Sweep up and shovel. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

#### 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

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### Precautions for safe handling

Avoid formation of dust and aerosols.

Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed. Normal measures for preventive fire protection.

#### Conditions for safe storage

Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

#### Components with workplace control parameters

Components	CAS-No.	Value	Control parameters	Basis	
Disodium tetraborate	1330-43-4	TWA	2 mg/m3	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)	
Remarks	Not classifiable as a human carcinogen: Agents which cause concern that they could be carcinogenic for humans but which cannot be assessed conclusively because of a lack of data. In vitro or animal studies do not provide indications of carcinogenicity which are sufficient to classify the agent into one of the other categories.				
		STEL	6 mg/m3	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)	
	Not classifiable as a human carcinogen: Agents which cause concern that they could be carcinogenic for humans but which cannot be assessed conclusively because of a lack of data. In vitro or animal studies do not provide indications of carcinogenicity which are sufficient to classify the agent into one of the other categories.				
		TWA	1 mg/m3	USA. NIOSH Recommended Exposure Limits	

#### Personal protective equipment

## **Respiratory protection**

Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a full-face particle respirator type N100 (US) or type P3 (EN 143) respirator cartridges as a backup to engineering controls. If the respirator is the sole means of protection, use a full-face supplied air respirator. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

#### Hand protection

Handle with gloves. Gloves must be inspected prior to use. Use proper glove removal technique (without touching glove's outer surface) to avoid skin contact with this product. Dispose of contaminated gloves after use in accordance with applicable laws and good laboratory practices. Wash and dry hands.

### Eye protection

Safety glasses with side-shields conforming to EN166 Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).

### Skin and body protection

impervious clothing, The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

#### Hygiene measures

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

### 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

#### **Appearance**

Form crystalline
Colour white

## Safety data

pH no data available

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Melting point/range: 741 °C (1,366 °F)

point/freezing point

Boiling point no data available
Flash point not applicable
Ignition temperature no data available
Autoignition no data available

temperature

Lower explosion limit no data available
Upper explosion limit no data available
Vapour pressure no data available
Density 2.367 g/cm3
Water solubility no data available

Partition coefficient: no data available n-octanol/water

Relative vapour

density

no data available

Odour odourless

Odour Threshold no data available

Evaporation rate no data available

### 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

#### Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

## Possibility of hazardous reactions

no data available

## **Conditions to avoid**

no data available

### Materials to avoid

Potassium, Acid anhydrides

#### Hazardous decomposition products

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Borane/boron oxides, Sodium oxides Other decomposition products - no data available

### 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

#### Acute toxicity

#### Oral LD50

LD50 Oral - rat - 2,400 - 2,600 mg/kg

#### **Inhalation LC50**

no data available

## **Dermal LD50**

LD50 Dermal - rabbit - > 2,000 mg/kg

### Other information on acute toxicity

no data available

#### Skin corrosion/irritation

no data available

## Serious eye damage/eye irritation

no data available

### Respiratory or skin sensitization

no data available

### Germ cell mutagenicity

no data available

#### Carcinogenicity

IARC: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable,

possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.

ACGIH: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a

carcinogen or potential carcinogen by ACGIH.

NTP: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a known or

anticipated carcinogen by NTP.

OSHA: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a

carcinogen or potential carcinogen by OSHA.

#### Reproductive toxicity

Reproductive toxicity - rat - Oral

Paternal Effects: Testes, epididymis, sperm duct. Paternal Effects: Prostate, seminal vessicle, Cowper's gland, accessory glands.

Presumed human reproductive toxicant

no data available

#### **Teratogenicity**

fetotoxicity

Presumed human reproductive toxicant

## Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Globally Harmonized System)

no data available

### Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure (Globally Harmonized System)

no data available

## **Aspiration hazard**

no data available

## Potential health effects

**Inhalation** May be harmful if inhaled. May cause respiratory tract irritation.

**Ingestion** May be harmful if swallowed.

**Skin** May be harmful if absorbed through skin. May cause skin irritation.

**Eyes** May cause eye irritation.

#### Signs and Symptoms of Exposure

Toxicity reported for borates in humans: ingestion or absorption may cause nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal cramps, anderythematous lesions on the skin and mucous membranes. Other symptoms include: circulatory collapse, tachycardia, cyanosis, delirium, convulsions, and coma. Death has been reported to occur in infants from less than 5 grams and in adults from 5 to 20 grams., To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

## Synergistic effects

no data available

#### **Additional Information**

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#### 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

#### **Toxicity**

Toxicity to fish LC50 - other fish - 74 mg/l - 96 h

#### Persistence and degradability

no data available

### Bioaccumulative potential

no data available

#### Mobility in soil

no data available

#### PBT and vPvB assessment

no data available

#### Other adverse effects

An environmental hazard cannot be excluded in the event of unprofessional handling or disposal.

Harmful to aquatic life.

no data available

### 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

#### **Product**

Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company. Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material. Dissolve or mix the material with a combustible solvent and burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber.

### Contaminated packaging

Dispose of as unused product.

## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

### DOT (US)

Not dangerous goods

#### **IMDG**

Not dangerous goods

#### **IATA**

Not dangerous goods

#### 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

#### **OSHA Hazards**

Target Organ Effect, Teratogen, Reproductive hazard

#### **SARA 302 Components**

SARA 302: No chemicals in this material are subject to the reporting requirements of SARA Title III, Section 302.

#### **SARA 313 Components**

SARA 313: This material does not contain any chemical components with known CAS numbers that exceed the threshold (De Minimis) reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313.

#### SARA 311/312 Hazards

Chronic Health Hazard

#### **Massachusetts Right To Know Components**

Disodium tetraborate CAS-No. Revision Date 1330-43-4 1993-04-24

**Pennsylvania Right To Know Components** 

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### **New Jersey Right To Know Components**

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### California Prop. 65 Components

This product does not contain any chemicals known to State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or any other reproductive harm.

### **16. OTHER INFORMATION**

#### **Further information**

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