



Boric Acid Safety Data Sheet (SDS)

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SECTION 1 — CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Boric Acid

Signal Word
DANGER

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Chemtrec Emergency Phone Number: (800) 424-9494

Pictograms

SECTION 2 — HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Hazard class: Acute toxicity, oral (Category 5). May be harmful if swallowed (H303).

Hazard class: Reproductive toxicity (Category 1). May damage fertility or the unborn child (H360). Obtain special instructions before use (P201). Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood (P202). Use personal protective equipment as required (P281).



SECTION 3 — COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Component Name	CAS Number	Formula	Formula Weight	Concentration
Boric acid	10043-35-3	H ₃ BO ₃	61.83	

SECTION 4 — FIRST AID MEASURES

If exposed or concerned: Get medical advice or attention (P308+P313).

If inhaled: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.

If in eyes: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses if present and easy to do so. Continue rinsing.

If on skin: Wash with plenty of water.

If swallowed: Rinse mouth. Call a POISON CENTER or physician if you feel unwell.
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SECTION 5 — FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Nonflammable, noncombustible solid.

When heated to decomposition, may emit toxic fumes.

In case of fire: Use a tri-class dry chemical fire extinguisher.

NFPA Code

None established

SECTION 6 — ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Sweep up the spill, place in a sealed bag or container, and dispose. Ventilate area and wash spill site after material pickup is complete. See Sections 8 and 13 for further information.

SECTION 7 — HANDLING AND STORAGE

Flinn Suggested Chemical Storage Pattern: Inorganic #9. Store with acids, except nitric acid.

Store in a cool, dry place.

SECTION 8 — EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION

Wear protective gloves, protective clothing, and eye protection. Wash hands thoroughly after handling.

Exposure guidelines: TLV 2 mg/m³ (inhalable fraction) (ACGIH)

SECTION 9 — PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

White, crystalline powder. Odorless.

Melting point: 185 °C

Soluble: Water, alcohol, and glycerol

Specific gravity: 2.46

SECTION 10 — STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Avoid contact with potassium and acid anhydrides.

Shelf life: Indefinite, if stored properly.

SECTION 11 — TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute effects: Irritant.

ORL-RAT LD₅₀: 2660 mg/kg

Chronic effects: N.A.

IHL-RAT LC₅₀: N.A.

Target organs: N.A.

SKN-RBT LD₅₀: N.A.

SECTION 12 — ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Data not yet available.

SECTION 13 — DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Please review all federal, state and local regulations that may apply before proceeding.

Flinn Suggested Disposal Method #24b is one option.

SECTION 14 — TRANSPORT INFORMATION

Shipping name: Not regulated. Hazard class: N/A. UN number: N/A.

SECTION 15 — REGULATORY INFORMATION

TSCA-listed, EINECS-listed (233-139-2).

SECTION 16 — OTHER INFORMATION

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N.A. = Not available, not all health aspects of this substance have been fully investigated.

N/A = Not applicable

Consult your copy of the Flinn Science Catalog/Reference Manual for additional information about laboratory chemicals.

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