# **Material Safety Data Sheet**

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### 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Sodium tetraborate decahydrate Product name

**Product Number** S9640

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### 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### **Emergency Overview**

### **OSHA Hazards**

Teratogen, Reproductive hazard

### **GHS Classification**

Acute toxicity, Oral (Category 5) Reproductive toxicity (Category 1B)

### GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Pictogram



Signal word Danger

Hazard statement(s)

H303 May be harmful if swallowed.

H360 May damage fertility or the unborn child.

Precautionary statement(s)

P201 Obtain special instructions before use.

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

**HMIS Classification** 

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

**NFPA** Rating

Health hazard: 0 Fire: 0 Reactivity Hazard: 0

## **Potential Health Effects**

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

Sigma-Aldrich - S9640 Page 1 of 7 **Skin** May 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 : Boraxdecahydrate

Sodium boratedecahydrate

Formula :  $B_4Na_2O_7 \cdot 10H_2O$ Molecular Weight : 381.37 g/mol

Component	Concentration	
Disodium tetraborate decah	ydrate	
CAS-No.	1303-96-4	-
EC-No.	215-540-4	
Index-No.	005-011-01-1	
Registration number	01-2119490790-32-XXXX	

### 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. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

## **Conditions of flammability**

Not flammable or combustible.

### Suitable extinguishing media

Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.

#### Special protective equipment for firefighters

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

### **Further information**

The product itself does not burn.

## **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.

## 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.

### 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 decahydrate	1303-96-4	TWA	2 mg/m3	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)		
Remarks	Not classifiable as a human carcinogen					
		STEL	6 mg/m3	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)		
	Not classifiable as a human carcinogen					
		TWA	1 mg/m3	USA. NIOSH Recommended Exposure Limits		
		TWA	10 mg/m3	USA. OSHA - TABLE Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants - 1910.1000		
		TWA	2 mg/m3	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)		
	Upper Respiratory Tract irritation Not classifiable as a human carcinogen varies					
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## 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.

Immersion protection Material: Nitrile rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm Break through time: > 480 min

Material tested:Dermatril® (Aldrich Z677272, Size M)

Splash protection Material: Nitrile rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm Break through time: > 30 min

Material tested:Dermatril® (Aldrich Z677272, Size M)

data source: KCL GmbH, D-36124 Eichenzell, phone +49 (0)6659 873000, e-mail sales@kcl.de, test method:

EN374

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If used in solution, or mixed with other substances, and under conditions which differ from EN 374, contact the supplier of the CE approved gloves. This recommendation is advisory only and must be evaluated by an Industrial Hygienist familiar with the specific situation of anticipated use by our customers. It should not be construed as offering an approval for any specific use scenario.

### 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 9.2 at 10 g/l Melting 62 °C (144 °F)

point/freezing point

Boiling point no data available
Flash point no data available
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 1.73 g/cm3 at 25 °C (77 °F)

Water solubility 38.1 g/l at 20 °C (68 °F) - completely soluble

Partition coefficient:

n-octanol/water

no data available

Relative vapour

density

no data available

Odour no data available
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

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#### Materials to avoid

Strong oxidizing agents, Strong reducing agents

### **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 - 4,500 - 5,000 mg/kg

#### Inhalation LC50

no data available

#### **Dermal LD50**

LD50 Dermal - rabbit - 10,000 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.

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

Presumed human reproductive toxicant

## 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

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**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

Animal feeding studies in rat, mouse and dog, at high doses, have demonstrated effects on fertility and testes. Studies with the chemically related boric acid in the rat, mouse and rabbit, at high doses, demonstrate developmental effects on the fetus, including fetal weight loss and minor skeletal variations. The doses administered were many times in excess of those to which humans would normally be exposed. Human epidemiological studies show no increase in pulmonary disease in occupational populations with cronic exposures to boric acid dust and sodium borate dust. A recent epidemiological study under the conditions of normal occupational eposure to borate dusts indicated no effect on fertility.

### Synergistic effects

no data available

## **Additional Information**

RTECS: VZ2275000

### 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

## **Toxicity**

Toxicity to fish LC50 - Carassius auratus (goldfish) - 178 mg/l - 72 h

Toxicity to daphnia EC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 1,085 - 1,402 mg/l - 48 h

and other aquatic invertebrates

Toxicity to algae IC50 - Desmodesmus subspicatus (green algae) - 158 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

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

#### ΙΔΤΔ

Not dangerous goods

#### 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

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### **OSHA Hazards**

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**

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Disodium tetraborate decahydrate	1303-96-4	1993-04-24
Pennsylvania Right To Know Components		
	CAS-No.	<b>Revision Date</b>
Disodium tetraborate decahydrate	1303-96-4	1993-04-24
New Jersey Right To Know Components		
	CAS-No.	<b>Revision Date</b>
Disodium tetraborate decahydrate	1303-96-4	1993-04-24

## 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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