

## Material Safety Data Sheet

### Sodium Borohydride

#### Section 1 - Product Identification

Synonyms : SBH; Sodium tetrahydroborate (Powder)  
Molecular Weight : 37.83 g/mol  
Chemical Formula :  $\text{NaBH}_4$   
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Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use:

The product is used as a laboratory chemical. Not for food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use.

#### Section 2 – Composition/Information on Ingredients

The product contains greater than 98 percent (%) Calcium Phosphate

Chemical Name	EC/CAS No	Purity, %
Sodium Borohydride	241-004-4/16940-66-2	min. 98.0

#### Section 3 – Hazards Identification

##### 3.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

This chemical is considered hazardous by the 2012 OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

##### 3.2 Label elements

The product needs to be labelled with a danger sign.

##### 3.3 Other hazards

###### Potential health effects

###### Eye

Can cause serious eye damage. Causes redness and pain.

###### Skin

Causes severe skin burns.

###### Ingestion

Toxic if swallowed

###### Inhalation

May cause respiratory irritation. May be harmful if inhaled.

###### Chronic

Prolonged or repeated exposure may cause adverse health effects.

#### Section 4 – First-Aid Measures

##### 4.1. Description of first aid measures

#### **Skin contact**

Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower Wash contaminated clothing before reuse Brush off loose particles from skin. Immerse in cool water/wrap with wet bandages

#### **Eye contact**

Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing

#### **Inhalation**

Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing

#### **Ingestion**

Do not induce vomiting. Rinse mouth with water. Get medical advice and attention if you feel unwell.

#### **4.2. Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed**

Causes burns by all exposure routes. Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation: Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated.

#### **4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**

N.A.

### **Section 5 – Fire Fighting Measures**

#### **5.1. Suitable Extinguishing media**

CO2, dry chemical, dry sand, alcohol-resistant foam. DO NOT use water

#### **5.2. Specific hazards arising from the chemical**

Corrosive Material. Reacts violently with water. Contact with water liberates extremely flammable gases. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors. Keep product and empty container away from heat and sources of ignition.

#### **5.3. Special protective actions for fire-fighters**

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for firefighting if necessary

### **Section 6 – Accidental Release Measures**

#### **6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

Use personal protective equipment. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid dust formation. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing.

#### **6.2. Environmental precautions**

Prevent further leakage or spillage into the environment, if safe to do so.

#### **6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up**

Do not expose spill to water. Sweep up or vacuum up spillage and collect in suitable container for disposal. Avoid dust formation

### **Section 7 – Handling and Storage**

#### **7.1. Precautions for safe Handling**

Use only under a chemical fume hood. Wear personal protective equipment. Avoid dust formation. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Do not ingest. Do not breathe vapors/dust. Do not allow contact with water

#### **7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**

Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Corrosives area. Keep away from water. Do not store in aluminum containers

### **Section 8 – Exposure Controls/Personal Protection**

### 8.1. Control parameters

### 8.2. Appropriate engineering controls

Use only under a chemical fume hood. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location

### 8.3. Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment (PPE)

#### Respiratory protection

A respiratory protection program that meets OSHA's 29 CFR 1910.134 and ANSI Z88.2 requirements or European Standard EN149 must be followed whenever workplace conditions warrant respirator use.

#### Eyes and hands protection

Wear appropriate protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles as described by OSHA's eye and face protection regulations in 29 CFR 1910.133 or European Standard EN166.

#### Skin protection

Handle with gloves. Gloves must be inspected prior to use. Use proper glove removal technique 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. The selected protective gloves must satisfy the specifications of EU Directive 89/686/EEC and the standard EN 374 derived from it.

#### Body protection

Choose body protection in relation to its type, to the concentration and amount of dangerous substances, and to the specific work-place. The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

## Section 9 – Physical and Chemical Properties

### 9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance: Solid powder

Odour: Odourless

Odour threshold: N.A.

pH: approx. 11

Melting point: 360°C

Boiling point: Decomposes

Flash point: N.A.

Evaporation rate: N.A.

Flammability: N.A.

Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits: Lower: 3.02 vol%

Vapour pressure: N.A.

Vapour density: N.A.

Relative density: 1.074g/cm<sup>3</sup>

Solubility in water: Reacts violently with water

Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water: N.A.

Auto-ignition temperature: 220°C

Decomposition temperature: 400°C

Viscosity: N.A.

Explosive properties: N.A.

Oxidizing properties: N.A.

## Section 10 – Stability and Reactivity

### 10.1. Reactivity

Reactive hazard. Reacts violently with water

### 10.2. Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions

### 10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

Contact with water liberates extremely flammable gases.

### 10.4. Conditions to avoid:

Incompatible products. Excess heat. Exposure to moist air or water. Exposure to moisture. Temperatures above 60°C.

### 10.5. Incompatible materials

Strong oxidizing agents, Aldehydes, Ketones, Acids, Aluminium

### 10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

Oxides of boron, Sodium oxides, Hydrogen, Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors

## Section 11 – Toxicological Information

### Information on toxicological effects

#### LD50/LC50:

Oral, rat: LD50 = 57 mg/kg

#### Acute toxicity

N.A.

#### Skin corrosion / irritation

Causes burns by all exposure routes

#### Serious eye damage/ irritation

N.A.

#### Respiratory or skin sensitization

N.A.

#### Germcell mutagenicity

DNA Inhibition: Human, Lymphocyte = 600 mmol/L.; Cytogenetic Analysis: Human, Leukocyte = 50 mmol/L.;

DNA Damage: Mouse, Lymphocyte = 628 mmol/L.; Mutation in Mammalian Somatic Cells: Mouse,

Lymphocyte = 265 mmol/L

#### Carcinogenicity

N.A.

#### Reproductive toxicity

Intraplacental, woman: TDLo = 1400 mg/kg (female 16-week(s) after conception) Fertility - abortion.

Intraplacental, woman: TDLo = 1600 mg/kg (female 16-week(s) after conception) Fertility - abortion.

#### STOT-single exposure

N.A.

#### STOT-repeated exposure

N.A.

#### Aspiration Hazard

N.A.

**Potential health effects**

RTECS: N.A

**Section 12 – Ecological Information**

**12.1. Toxicity**

Do not empty into drains. Reacts with water so no ecotoxicity data for the substance is available

**12.2. Persistence and degradability**

N.A

**12.3. Bioaccumulative potential**

N.A

**12.4. Mobility in soil**

N.A

**12.5. Other adverse effects**

N.A

**Section 13 – Disposal Considerations**

**13.1. Disposal methods**

**Product**

Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. Chemical waste generators must also consult local, regional, and national hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

**Contaminated Packaging**

Containers can be triply rinsed (or equivalent) and offered for recycling or reconditioning. Alternatively, the packaging can be punctured to make it unusable for other purposes and then be disposed of in a sanitary landfill. Controlled incineration with flue gas scrubbing is possible for combustible packaging materials.

**Section 14 – Transport Information**

**14.1. UN number:** UN1426

**14.2. UN proper shipping name:** Sodium Borohydride

**14.3. Transport of hazard classes:** 4.3

**14.4. Packing group:** I

**14.5. Environmental hazards:** N.A.

**14.6. Special precautions for user:** N.A

**14.7. Incompatible materials:** N.A.

**Section 15 – Regulatory Information**

**15.1. Safety, health and environmental regulations for the substance/mixture**

**Notification status:**

U.S. EPA TSCA Inventory	On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory
Canadian DSL	On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory
EINECS	On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory
South Korea	On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory
Japanese MITI	On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory

Ensure all national/local regulations are observed.

**Section 16: Additional Information**



**16.1. Mainly changes made to the previous version of this Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS):**

N.A.

**16.2. List of abbreviation and acronyms used in this MSDS**

**SDS:** Safety Data Sheets

**Index N°:** atomic number of the element most characteristic of the properties of the substance

**CAS No:** Chemical Abstracts Service number

**EC No:** EINECS Number: European Inventory of Existing Commercial Substances

**Repr. Cat. 2:** Substance presumed human reproductive toxicant

**Acute Oral Cat. 5:** Substance which is of relatively low acute oral toxicity.

**GHS:** Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling

**LD<sub>50</sub>:** Median Lethal Dose

**LC<sub>50</sub>:** Lethal Concentration, 50%

**N.A.:** Not Applicable

**Japanese MITI:** Japanese Ministry of International Trade and Industry

**EC<sub>50</sub>:** Half maximal effective concentration

**UN:** United Nations

**U.S. EPA TSCA Inventory:** Inventory of the chemical substances manufactured or processed in the United States according to Toxic Substances Control Act compiled and published under the authority of the Environmental Protection Agency

**Canadian DSL:** Canadian Domestic Substances List

**16.5. Disclaimer of Liability**

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