

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

# Classified as hazardous in accordance with the criteria of EPA New Zealand

# **Section 1 - Identification**

**Product Identifier** 

Product Name <u>Lithium tetraborate</u>

**CAS No** 12007-60-2

Molecular FormulaB4 Li2 O7Molecular Weight169.12

Recommended Use Laboratory chemicals.
Uses advised against No Information available

Product Code 12592

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# **Section 2 - Hazard(s) Identification**

Classification under Work Safe New Zealand

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**GHS Classification** 

Physical hazards

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

**Health hazards** 

Acute Oral Toxicity
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation
Category 1
Reproductive Toxicity
Category 2

**Environmental hazards** 

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Label Elements

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Signal Word Danger

#### **Hazard Statements**

H302 - Harmful if swallowed

H318 - Causes serious eye damage

H361 - Suspected of damaging fertility or the unborn child

# **Precautionary Statements**

#### Prevention

P201 - Obtain special instructions before use

P202 - Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood

P264 - Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling

P270 - Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product

P280 - Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection

#### Response

P305 + P351 + P338 - IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing

P310 - Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor

P330 - Rinse mouth

#### Storage

P403 - Store in a well-ventilated place

#### Disposal

P501 - Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant

Other hazards which do not result in classification

# Section 3 - Composition and Information on Ingredients

Component		CAS No	Weight %		
	Boron lithium oxide (B4Li2O7)	12007-60-2	<=100		

# **Section 4 - First Aid Measures**

### Description of first aid measures

General Advice If symptoms persist, call a physician.

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**Inhalation** Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Get medical attention if

symptoms occur.

Eye Contact Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get

medical attention.

**Skin Contact** Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. If skin irritation persists,

call a physician.

**Ingestion** Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water. Get medical attention if

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symptoms occur.

Self-Protection of the First Aider Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, take precautions to

protect themselves and prevent spread of contamination.

First Aid Facilities Eyewash, safety shower and washroom.

Most important symptoms and

effects

None reasonably foreseeable. Causes severe eye damage.

Notes to Physician Treat symptomatically.

# **Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures**

#### **Suitable Extinguishing Media**

Water spray. Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>). Dry chemical. Chemical foam.

### Extinguishing media which must not be used for safety reasons

No information available.

#### **Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical**

Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

#### **Hazardous Combustion Products**

Oxides of boron.

#### Special protective equipment and precautions for fire fighters

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear.

# **Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures**

#### Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment and Emergency Procedures

#### **Emergency procedures**

Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protective equipment as required. Avoid dust formation.

### **Environmental Precautions**

Should not be released into the environment.

### Methods for Containment and Clean Up

Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

### Precautions to prevent secondary hazards

Clean contaminated objects and areas thoroughly observing environmental regulations

### **Reference to Other Sections**

Refer to protective measures listed in Sections 8 and 13.

# **Section 7 - Handling and Storage**

### **Precautions for Safe Handling**

#### Advice on safe handling

Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Ensure adequate ventilation. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Avoid ingestion and inhalation. Avoid dust formation.

### **Hygiene Measures**

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Keep away from food, drink and animal feeding stuffs. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Remove and wash contaminated clothing and gloves, including the inside, before

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re-use. Wash hands before breaks and after work.

#### Conditions for Safe Storage, Including any Incompatibilities

#### **Storage Conditions**

Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Store under an inert atmosphere. Protect from moisture.

#### **Incompatible Materials**

Strong oxidizing agents. Strong acids.

AS/NZS 2243.10:2004, Safety in laboratories - Storage of chemicals

# **Section 8 - Exposure Controls and Personal Protection**

### **Control parameters**

#### **Exposure limits**

**ACGIH** - Threshold Limit Values - Ceiling (TLV-C) guidelines by the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH) for controlling worker exposure to airborne chemical concentrations in the workplace.

Component	New Zealand WEL	Australia	ACGIH TLV	The United Kingdom		
Boron lithium oxide			TWA: 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>			
(B4Li2O7)			STEL: 6 mg/m <sup>3</sup>			

#### **Biological limit values**

This product, as supplied, does not contain any hazardous materials with biological limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies

### **Appropriate engineering controls**

#### **Engineering Measures**

Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location. Wherever possible, engineering control measures such as the isolation or enclosure of the process, the introduction of process or equipment changes to minimise release or contact, and the use of properly designed ventilation systems, should be adopted to control hazardous materials at source

### Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

**Eye Protection** Goggles (Australian/New Zealand Standard AS/NZS 1337 - Eye protectors for Industrial

applications)

Hand Protection Protective gloves

Glove material	Breakthrough time	Glove thickness	AUS/NZ Standard	Glove comments
Nitrile rubber, Neoprene,	See manufacturers	-	AS/NZS 2161	(minimum requirement)
Natural rubber, PVC.	recommendations			

Inspect gloves before use.

Please observe the instructions regarding permeability and breakthrough time which are provided by the supplier of the gloves. (Refer to manufacturer/supplier for information)

Ensure gloves are suitable for the task: Chemical compatability, Dexterity, Operational conditions, User susceptibility, e.g. sensitisation effects, also take into consideration the specific local conditions under which the product is used, such as the danger of cuts, abrasion.

Remove gloves with care avoiding skin contamination.

**Skin and body protection**Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure

Repiratory Protection Use an AS/NZS 1716 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or

other symptoms are experienced. To protect the wearer, respiratory protective equipment must be the correct fit and be used and maintained in line with AS/NZS 1715 on the use

and maintenance of repiratory protective devices

Recommended Filter type: Particulates filter conforming to EN 143 (or AUS/NZ equivalent)

**Recommended half mask:-** Particle filtering: EN149:2001 (or AUS/NZ equivalent)

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When RPE is used a face piece Fit Test should be conducted

Solid

**Hygiene Measures**Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

**Environmental exposure controls** No information available.

# **Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties**

### Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Physical State Powder Solid

Appearance White

Odor
Odor No information available
No data available
Not applicable
Melting Point/Range
Softening Point
Boiling Point/Range
No information available
No information available

Flammability (liquid) Not applicable

Flammability (solid,gas) No information available

Explosion Limits No data available

Flash Point No information available Method - No information available

Autoignition Temperature No data available

**Decomposition Temperature** No data available

Viscosity Not applicable Solid

Water Solubility 28 g/L (20°C)

Solubility in other solvents No information available

Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)

Vapor Pressure

Density / Specific Gravity

Bulk Density

No data available

No data available

No data available

Vapor Density Not applicable Solid

Particle characteristics No data available

Other information

Molecular Formula B4 Li2 O7 Molecular Weight 169.12

Evaporation Rate Not applicable - Solid

# **Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity**

**Reactivity** None known, based on information available

Stability Hygroscopic.

Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact No information available

Sensitivity to Static Discharge No information available

**Hazardous Polymerization** No information available.

**Hazardous Reactions**None under normal processing.

**Conditions to Avoid** Incompatible products, Exposure to moist air or water.

Incompatible Materials Strong oxidizing agents, Strong acids.

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Hazardous Decomposition Products Oxides of boron.

# **Section 11 - Toxicological Information**

#### **Acute Effects**

### Information on likely routes of exposure

### **Product Information**

**Inhalation** Avoid breathing dust or spray mist. May be harmful if inhaled.

Eyes Avoid contact with eyes. Corrosive to the eyes and may cause severe damage including

blindness.

**Skin** Avoid contact with skin. Skin Corrosion/Irritation.

**Ingestion** May be harmful if swallowed.

### Numerical measures of toxicity

(a) acute toxicity;

Oral Category 4

**Dermal**Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met
Inhalation
Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Boron lithium oxide (B4Li2O7)		LD50 > 2000 mg/kg (Rat)	

(b) skin corrosion/irritation; No data available

(c) serious eye damage/irritation; Category 1

(d) respiratory or skin sensitization;

Respiratory No data available Skin No data available

(e) germ cell mutagenicity; No data available

(f) carcinogenicity; No data available

There are no known carcinogenic chemicals in this product

(g) reproductive toxicity; Category 2

(h) STOT-single exposure; No data available

(i) STOT-repeated exposure; No data available

Target Organs None known.

(j) aspiration hazard; Not applicable

Solid

### Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed

No information available.

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# **Section 12 - Ecological Information**

**Ecotoxicity** 

Aquatic ecotoxicity

Terrestrial ecotoxicity There is no data for this product

Persistence and Degradability

**Persistence** Soluble in water, Persistence is unlikely, based on information available.

Bioaccumulative Potential Bioaccumulation is unlikely

**Mobility** The product is water soluble, and may spread in water systems. Will likely be mobile in the

environment due to its water solubility. Highly mobile in soils

Other adverse effects

Endocrine Disruptor Information Persistent Organic Pollutant Ozone Depletion Potential This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors

This product does not contain any known or suspected substance This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

# **Section 13 - Disposal Considerations**

#### Waste treatment methods

Waste from Residues/Unused Products

Do not allow into drains or watercourses or dispose of where ground or surface waters may be affected. Wastes, including emptied containers, are controlled wastes and should be disposed of in accordance with all federal, E.P.A., state and local regulations. Assure conformity with all applicable regulations.

**Contaminated Packaging**Dispose of this container to hazardous or special waste collection point.

Other Information Disposal agencies or waste contractors must comply with the New Zealand Hazardous

Substances (Disposal) Regulations . Waste codes should be assigned by the user based on the application for which the product was used. Do not empty into drains. Do not flush to

sewer.

# **Section 14 - Transport Information**

Not regulated

IATA Not regulated

IMDG/IMO Not regulated

Environmental hazards No hazards identified

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Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the

**IBC Code** 

Not applicable, packaged goods

Special Precautions No special precautions required. Please refer to the applicable dangerous goods

regulations for additional information.

Additional information None known

# **Section 15 - Regulatory Information**

Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

#### **National Regulations**

There are no applicable tolerable exposure limits or environmental exposure limits according to the EPA Controls for Hazardous Substances

### Certified handlers, tracking and controlled substance license requirements

Certified handlers are required for some substances. This includes substances requiring a controlled substance license, and most explosives, vertebrates toxic agents, and certain fumigants. Acutely toxic substances which are a Category 1 or 2, such as pesticides also require Certified handlers. Please check the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 for further information. Tracking is required for some highly hazardous substances. These substances need to be under the control of an appropriately trained person or appropriately secured. Please check the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 for further information.

#### Prohibition or notification/licensing requirements

Shown below are details of specific prohibition/notifications or licencing requirements when they apply.

#### **International Regulations**

Ozone Depletion Potential This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

Persistent Organic Pollutant This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

Rotterdam Convention (PIC) Not applicable

Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH

Not applicable

#### **International Inventories**

New Zealand (NZIoC), Australia (AICS), Europe (EINECS/ELINCS/NLP), Korea (KECL), China (IECSC), Taiwan (TCSI), Japan (ISHL), Canada (DSL/NDSL), Philippines (PICCS). US EPA (TSCA) - Toxic Substances Control Act, (40 CFR Part 710)

Component	CAS No	NZIoC	AICS	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	KECL	IECSC	TCSI
Boron lithium oxide (B4Li2O7)	12007-60-2	X	X	234-514-3		-	KE-11000	X	X

Component	CAS No	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive	DSL	NDSL	PICCS	ISHL	ENCS
Boron lithium oxide (B4Li2O7)	12007-60-2	X	ACTIVE	Х	-	X	X	X

Legend: X - Listed '-' - Not Listed KECL - NIER number or KE number (http://ncis.nier.go.kr/en/main.do)

# **Section 16 - Other Information**

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# This safety data sheet complies with the requirements of the EPA Hazardous Substances (Hazard Classification) Notice 2020 and WorkSafe New Zealand Regulations

### Legend

NZIoC - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals

**TSCA** - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory

**DSL/NDSL** - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List

IECSC - Chinese Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances

PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances

TWA - Time Weighted Average

IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer NZS 5433:2020 - Transport of Dangerous Goods on Land

ICAO/IATA - International Civil Aviation Organization/International Air Transport Association

**MARPOL** - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships

LD50 - Lethal Dose 50%

EC50 - Effective Concentration 50% WEL - Workplace Exposure Limit DNEL - Derived No Effect Level

**POW** - Partition coefficient Octanol:Water **vPvB** - very Persistent, very Bioaccumulative

**VOC** - (Volatile Organic Compound)

AICS - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances

EINECS/ELINCS - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical

Substances/EU List of Notified Chemical Substances **ENCS** - Japanese Existing and New Chemical Substances

**KECL** - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances

**CAS** - Chemical Abstracts Service

**ACGIH** - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

PNEC - Predicted No Effect Concentration

**OECD** - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development **IMO/IMDG** - International Maritime Organization/International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code

**ADG** - Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail

**LC50** - Lethal Concentration 50% **ATE** - Acute Toxicity Estimate

RPE - Respiratory Protective Equipment NOEC - No Observed Effect Concentration

**BCF** - Bioconcentration factor

PBT - Persistent, Bioaccumulative, Toxic

#### Key literature references and sources for data

HSNO classifications provided in the New Zealand Chemical Classification Information Database (CCID).

https://echa.europa.eu/information-on-chemicals

Suppliers safety data sheet, Chemadvisor - LOLI, Merck index, RTECS

EPA Guide to classifying hazardous substances in New Zealand

EPA - Assigning a product to an existing HSNO approval guide

#### **Training Advice**

Chemical hazard awareness training, incorporating labelling, Safety Data Sheets (SDS), Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and hygiene.

Use of personal protective equipment, covering appropriate selection, compatibility, breakthrough thresholds, care, maintenance, fit and standards.

First aid for chemical exposure, including the use of eye wash and safety showers.

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