

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006

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GENERIC EU MSDS - NO COUNTRY SPECIFIC DATA - NO OEL DATA

## SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

### 1.1 Product identifiers

Product name : Borate buffer

Product Number : 89273

Brand : Sigma-Aldrich

REACH No. : This product is a mixture. REACH Registration Number see section 3.

### 1.2 Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Identified uses : Laboratory chemicals, Manufacture of substances

### 1.3

### 1.4 Emergency telephone

Emergency Phone # : 000 800 1007 141 (CHEMTREC)

## SECTION 2: Hazards identification

### 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

#### Classification according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

Corrosive to Metals (Category 1), H290

Skin corrosion (Sub-category 1A), H314

Serious eye damage (Category 1), H318

Reproductive toxicity (Category 1B), H360FD

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

### 2.2 Label elements

#### Labelling according Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

Pictogram

|                                |  |
|--------------------------------|--|
| Signal Word                    | Danger   |
| Hazard statement(s)            |  |
| H290                           | May be corrosive to metals.  |
| H314                           | Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.   |
| H360FD                         | May damage fertility. May damage the unborn child.   |
| Precautionary statement(s)     |  |
| P202                           | Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.  |
| P234                           | Keep only in original packaging.   |
| P280                           | Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.  |
| P303 + P361 + P353             | IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water.                                     |
| P304 + P340 + P310             | IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER/ doctor.             |
| P305 + P351 + P338             | IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. |
| Supplemental Hazard Statements | none   |
|                                | Restricted to professional users.  |

#### Reduced Labeling (<= 125 ml)

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| Supplemental Hazard Statements | none   |

### 2.3 Other hazards

This substance/mixture contains no components considered to be either persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic (PBT), or very persistent and very bioaccumulative (vPvB) at levels of 0.1% or higher.

## SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

### 3.2 Mixtures

| Component   |                       | Classification  | Concentration  |
|---|-----------------------|---|----------------|
| <b>boric acid</b> Included in the Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 (REACH) |                       |   |                |
| CAS-No.   | 10043-35-3            | Repr. 1B; H360FD  | >= 50 - < 70 % |
| EC-No.  | 233-139-2             |   |                |
| Index-No.   | 005-007-00-2          |   |                |
| Registration number   | 01-2119486683-25-XXXX |   |                |
| <b>sodium hydroxide</b>   |                       |   |                |
| CAS-No.   | 1310-73-2             | Met. Corr. 1; Skin Corr. 1A; Eye Dam. 1; H290, H314, H318<br>Concentration limits:<br>>= 5 %: Skin Corr. 1A, H314; 2 - < 5 %: Skin Corr. 1B, H314; 0,5 - < 2 %: Skin Irrit. 2, H315; 0,5 - < 2 %: Eye Irrit. 2, H319; >= 0,4 %: Met. Corr. 1, H290; | >= 10 - < 20 % |
| EC-No.  | 215-185-5             |   |                |
| Index-No.   | 011-002-00-6          |   |                |
| Registration number   | 01-2119457892-27-XXXX |   |                |

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

## SECTION 4: First aid measures

### 4.1 Description of first-aid measures

#### General advice

First aiders need to protect themselves. Show this material safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

#### If inhaled

After inhalation: fresh air. Call in physician.

#### In case of skin contact

In case of skin contact: Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ shower. Call a physician immediately.

#### In case of eye contact

After eye contact: rinse out with plenty of water. Immediately call in ophthalmologist. Remove contact lenses.

**If swallowed**

After swallowing: make victim drink water (two glasses at most), avoid vomiting (risk of perforation). Call a physician immediately. Do not attempt to neutralise.

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

The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2.2) and/or in section 11

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

No data available

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**SECTION 5: Firefighting measures****5.1 Extinguishing media****Suitable extinguishing media**

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

**Unsuitable extinguishing media**

For this substance/mixture no limitations of extinguishing agents are given.

**5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture**

Borane/boron oxides

Sodium oxides

Not combustible.

Ambient fire may liberate hazardous vapours.

**5.3 Advice for firefighters**

Stay in danger area only with self-contained breathing apparatus. Prevent skin contact by keeping a safe distance or by wearing suitable protective clothing.

**5.4 Further information**

Suppress (knock down) gases/vapors/mists with a water spray jet. Prevent fire extinguishing water from contaminating surface water or the ground water system.

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**SECTION 6: Accidental release measures****6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

Advice for non-emergency personnel: Do not breathe vapors, aerosols. Avoid substance contact. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate the danger area, observe emergency procedures, consult an expert.

For personal protection see section 8.

**6.2 Environmental precautions**

Do not let product enter drains.

**6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up**

Cover drains. Collect, bind, and pump off spills. Observe possible material restrictions (see sections 7 and 10). Take up carefully with liquid-absorbent material (e.g. Chemizorb®). Dispose of properly. Clean up affected area.

**6.4 Reference to other sections**

For disposal see section 13.

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## **SECTION 7: Handling and storage**

### **7.1 Precautions for safe handling**

#### **Advice on safe handling**

Work under hood. Do not inhale substance/mixture. Avoid generation of vapours/aerosols.

#### **Hygiene measures**

Immediately change contaminated clothing. Apply preventive skin protection. Wash hands and face after working with substance.

For precautions see section 2.2.

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

#### **Storage conditions**

No metal containers.

Tightly closed. Keep in a well-ventilated place. Keep locked up or in an area accessible only to qualified or authorized persons.

#### **Storage stability**

Recommended storage temperature

2 - 8 °C

#### **Storage class**

Storage class (TRGS 510): 6.1D: Non-combustible, acute toxic Cat.3 / toxic hazardous materials or hazardous materials causing chronic effects

### **7.3 Specific end use(s)**

Apart from the uses mentioned in section 1.2 no other specific uses are stipulated

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## **SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection**

### **8.1 Control parameters**

#### **Ingredients with workplace control parameters**

### **8.2 Exposure controls**

#### **Personal protective equipment**

##### **Eye/face protection**

Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU). Tightly fitting safety goggles

##### **Skin protection**

required

##### **Body Protection**

protective clothing

##### **Respiratory protection**

required when vapours/aerosols are generated.

Our recommendations on filtering respiratory protection are based on the following standards: DIN EN 143, DIN 14387 and other accompanying standards relating to the used respiratory protection system.

Recommended Filter type: Filter type ABEK

The entrepreneur has to ensure that maintenance, cleaning and testing of respiratory protective devices are carried out according to the instructions of the producer. These measures have to be properly documented.

**Control of environmental exposure**

Do not let product enter drains.

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**SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties**

**9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| a) Physical state                               | liquid   |
| b) Color  | No data available  |
| c) Odor   | No data available  |
| d) Melting point/freezing point                 | No data available  |
| e) Initial boiling point and boiling range      | No data available  |
| f) Flammability (solid, gas)                    | No data available  |
| g) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits | No data available  |
| h) Flash point                                  | No data available  |
| i) Autoignition temperature                     | Not applicable   |
| j) Decomposition temperature                    | No data available  |
| k) pH   | No data available  |
| l) Viscosity                                    | Viscosity, kinematic: No data available<br>Viscosity, dynamic: No data available |
| m) Water solubility                             | No data available  |
| n) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water       | No data available  |
| o) Vapor pressure                               | No data available  |
| p) Density                                      | No data available  |
| Relative density                                | No data available  |
| q) Relative vapor density                       | No data available  |
| r) Particle characteristics                     | No data available  |

s) Explosive properties Not classified as explosive.

t) Oxidizing properties none

## 9.2 Other safety information

No data available

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## SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

### 10.1 Reactivity

No data available

### 10.2 Chemical stability

The product is chemically stable under standard ambient conditions (room temperature) .

### 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

No data available

### 10.4 Conditions to avoid

no information available

### 10.5 Incompatible materials

Strong oxidizing agentsMetals

### 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

In the event of fire: see section 5

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## SECTION 11: Toxicological information

### 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

#### Mixture

#### Acute toxicity

Symptoms: If ingested, severe burns of the mouth and throat, as well as a danger of perforation of the esophagus and the stomach.

Symptoms: mucosal irritations, Cough, Shortness of breath, Possible damages:, damage of respiratory tract

Dermal: No data available

#### Skin corrosion/irritation

Remarks: Mixture causes severe burns.

#### Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Remarks: Mixture causes serious eye damage.

Risk of blindness!

#### Respiratory or skin sensitization

No data available

#### Germ cell mutagenicity

No data available

#### Carcinogenicity

No data available

#### Reproductive toxicity

May harm the unborn child.

May impair fertility.

**Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure**

No data available

**Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure**

No data available

**Aspiration hazard**

No data available

**11.2 Additional Information**

**Endocrine disrupting properties**

**Product:**

Assessment

The substance/mixture does not contain components considered to have endocrine disrupting properties according to REACH Article 57(f) or Commission Delegated regulation (EU) 2017/2100 or Commission Regulation (EU) 2018/605 at levels of 0.1% or higher.

To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

Other dangerous properties can not be excluded.

This substance should be handled with particular care.

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

**Components**

**boric acid**

**Acute toxicity**

LD50 Oral - Rat - male and female - 3.450 mg/kg

Remarks: (ECHA)

LC50 Inhalation - Rat - male and female - 4 h - > 2,12 mg/l - dust/mist  
(OECD Test Guideline 403)

LD50 Dermal - Rabbit - male and female - > 2.000 mg/kg

Remarks: (ECHA)

**Skin corrosion/irritation**

Skin - Rabbit

Result: No skin irritation - 24 h

Remarks: (ECHA)

**Serious eye damage/eye irritation**

Eyes - Rabbit

Result: No eye irritation - 24 h

(OECD Test Guideline 405)

**Respiratory or skin sensitization**

Buehler Test - Guinea pig



Result: negative  
(OECD Test Guideline 406)

**Germ cell mutagenicity**

Test Type: sister chromatid exchange assay

Test system: Chinese hamster ovary cells

Result: negative

Remarks: (ECHA)

Test Type: Ames test

Test system: *S. typhimurium*

Result: negative

Test Type: In vitro mammalian cell gene mutation test

Test system: mouse lymphoma cells

Result: negative

Test Type: Mutagenicity (mammal cell test):

Test system: Chinese hamster ovary cells

Result: negative

Method: OECD Test Guideline 474

Species: Mouse - male and female

Result: negative

**Carcinogenicity**

No data available

**Reproductive toxicity**

May damage fertility.

May damage the unborn child.

**Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure**

No data available

**Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure**

**Aspiration hazard**

No data available

**sodium hydroxide**

**Acute toxicity**

Oral: No data available

Symptoms: If ingested, severe burns of the mouth and throat, as well as a danger of perforation of the esophagus and the stomach.

Symptoms: burns of mucous membranes, Cough, Shortness of breath, Possible damages:, damage of respiratory tract

Dermal: No data available

**Skin corrosion/irritation**

Skin - Rabbit

Result: Causes burns.

Remarks: (Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008, Annex VI)

**Serious eye damage/eye irritation**

Eyes - Rabbit

Result: Causes serious eye damage.

(OECD Test Guideline 405)  
Remarks: (Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008, Annex VI)  
Remarks: Causes serious eye damage.

**Respiratory or skin sensitization**

Patch test: - In vitro study  
Result: negative  
Remarks: (ECHA)

**Germ cell mutagenicity**

No data available

**Carcinogenicity**

No data available

**Reproductive toxicity**

No data available

**Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure**

Acute oral toxicity - If ingested, severe burns of the mouth and throat, as well as a danger of perforation of the esophagus and the stomach.

Acute inhalation toxicity - burns of mucous membranes, Cough, Shortness of breath, Possible damages:, damage of respiratory tract

**Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure**

No data available

**Aspiration hazard**

No data available

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**SECTION 12: Ecological information**

**12.1 Toxicity**

**Mixture**

No data available

**12.2 Persistence and degradability**

No data available

**12.3 Bioaccumulative potential**

No data available

**12.4 Mobility in soil**

No data available

**12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**

This substance/mixture contains no components considered to be either persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic (PBT), or very persistent and very bioaccumulative (vPvB) at levels of 0.1% or higher.

**12.6**

**Endocrine disrupting properties**

**Product:**

Assessment

: The substance/mixture does not contain components considered to have endocrine disrupting properties according to REACH Article 57(f) or Commission Delegated regulation (EU) 2017/2100 or Commission Regulation (EU) 2018/605 at levels of 0.1% or higher.

## 12.7 Other adverse effects

No data available

### Components

#### boric acid

|   |  |
|---|--|
| Toxicity to fish                                    | static test LC50 - Pimephales promelas (fathead minnow) - 79,7 mg/l - 96 h<br>(US-EPA)                             |
| Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates | static test EC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 133 mg/l - 48 h<br>Remarks: (ECOTOX Database)                      |
| Toxicity to algae                                   | static test EC50 - Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata (green algae) - 52,4 mg/l - 74,5 h<br>(OECD Test Guideline 201) |

#### sodium hydroxide

|   |   |
|---|---|
| Toxicity to fish                                    | LC50 - Gambusia affinis (Mosquito fish) - 125 mg/l - 96 h<br>Remarks: (ECOTOX Database) |
| Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates | EC50 - Ceriodaphnia (water flea) - 40,4 mg/l - 48 h<br>Remarks: (ECHA)                  |
| Toxicity to bacteria                                | EC50 - Photobacterium phosphoreum - 22 mg/l - 15 min<br>Remarks: (External MSDS)        |

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## SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

### 13.1 Waste treatment methods

No data available

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## SECTION 14: Transport information

### 14.1 UN number

ADR/RID: 1824

IMDG: 1824

IATA: 1824

### 14.2 UN proper shipping name

ADR/RID: SODIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION

IMDG: SODIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION

IATA: Sodium hydroxide solution

### 14.3 Transport hazard class(es)

ADR/RID: 8

IMDG: 8

IATA: 8

#### 14.4 Packaging group

ADR/RID: II

IMDG: II

IATA: II

#### 14.5 Environmental hazards

ADR/RID: no

IMDG Marine pollutant: no

IATA: no

#### 14.6 Special precautions for user

Tunnel restriction code : (E)

Further information : No data available

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### SECTION 15: Regulatory information

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

This material safety data sheet complies with the requirements of Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006.

##### Authorisations and/or restrictions on use

REACH - Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern for Authorisation (Article 59). : boric acid

REACH - Restrictions on the manufacture, placing on the market and use of certain dangerous substances, mixtures and articles (Annex XVII) : boric acid

##### Other regulations

Observe work restrictions regarding maternity protection in accordance to Dir 92/85/EEC or stricter national regulations where applicable.

Take note of Dir 94/33/EC on the protection of young people at work.

#### 15.2 Chemical Safety Assessment

For this product a chemical safety assessment was not carried out

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### SECTION 16: Other information

#### Full text of H-Statements referred to under sections 2 and 3.

|        |  |
|--------|--|
| H290   | May be corrosive to metals.                        |
| H314   | Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.           |
| H315   | May damage fertility. May damage the unborn child. |
| H318   | Causes skin irritation.                            |
| H319   | Causes serious eye damage.                         |
| H360FD | Causes serious eye irritation.                     |

## Full text of other abbreviations

ADN - European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterways; ADR - Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road; AIIC - Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals; ASTM - American Society for the Testing of Materials; bw - Body weight; CMR - Carcinogen, Mutagen or Reproductive Toxicant; DIN - Standard of the German Institute for Standardisation; DSL - Domestic Substances List (Canada); ECx - Concentration associated with x% response; ELx - Loading rate associated with x% response; EmS - Emergency Schedule; ENCS - Existing and New Chemical Substances (Japan); ErCx - Concentration associated with x% growth rate response; GHS - Globally Harmonized System; GLP - Good Laboratory Practice; IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer; IATA - International Air Transport Association; IBC - International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk; IC50 - Half maximal inhibitory concentration; ICAO - International Civil Aviation Organization; IECSC - Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China; IMDG - International Maritime Dangerous Goods; IMO - International Maritime Organization; ISHL - Industrial Safety and Health Law (Japan); ISO - International Organisation for Standardization; KECI - Korea Existing Chemicals Inventory; LC50 - Lethal Concentration to 50 % of a test population; LD50 - Lethal Dose to 50% of a test population (Median Lethal Dose); MARPOL - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships; n.o.s. - Not Otherwise Specified; NO(A)EC - No Observed (Adverse) Effect Concentration; NO(A)EL - No Observed (Adverse) Effect Level; NOELR - No Observable Effect Loading Rate; NZIoC - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals; OECD - Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development; OPPTS - Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention; PBT - Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic substance; PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances; (Q)SAR - (Quantitative) Structure Activity Relationship; REACH - Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals; RID - Regulations concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail; SADT - Self-Accelerating Decomposition Temperature; SDS - Safety Data Sheet; TCSI - Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory; TECI - Thailand Existing Chemicals Inventory; TSCA - Toxic Substances Control Act (United States); UN - United Nations; UNRTDG - United Nations Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods; vPvB - Very Persistent and Very Bioaccumulative

### Classification of the mixture

|              |        |
|--------------|--------|
| Met. Corr.1  | H290   |
| Skin Corr.1A | H314   |
| Eye Dam.1    | H318   |
| Repr.1B      | H360FD |

### Classification procedure:

|                    |
|--------------------|
| Calculation method |
| Calculation method |
| Calculation method |
| Calculation method |

## Further information

The above information is believed to be correct but does not purport to be all inclusive and shall be used only as a guide. The information in this document is based on the present state of our knowledge and is applicable to the product with regard to appropriate safety precautions. It does not represent any guarantee of the properties of the product. Sigma-Aldrich Corporation and its Affiliates shall not be held liable for any damage resulting from handling or from contact with the above product. See

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