

# Safety data sheet

according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 (REACH), amended by 2015/830/EU



**Boric acid ≥99,8 %, p.a., ACS, ISO, for molecular biology**

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

### 1.1 Product identifier

Identification of the substance	<b>Boric acid</b>
Article number	6943
Registration number (REACH)	01-2119486683-25-xxxx
Index No	005-007-00-2
EC number	233-139-2
CAS number	10043-35-3

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

**Identified uses:** laboratory chemical  
laboratory and analytical use

### 1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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### 1.4 Emergency telephone number

Name	Street	Postal code/city	Telephone	Website
National Poisons Information Centre Beaumont Hospital	Beaumont Road	Dublin 9	01 809 2166	<a href="https://www.poisons.ie/">https://www.poisons.ie/</a>

## SECTION 2: Hazards identification

### 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

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

Classification acc. to GHS			
Section	Hazard class	Hazard class and category	Hazard statement
3.7	reproductive toxicity	(Repr. 1B)	H360FD

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## 2.2 Label elements

**Labelling according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 (CLP)**

**Signal word**                      **Danger**

### Pictograms

GHS08



### Hazard statements

H360FD                      May damage fertility. May damage the unborn child

### Precautionary statements

#### **Precautionary statements - prevention**

P201                      Obtain special instructions before use.  
P280                      Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.

#### **Precautionary statements - response**

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

For professional users only

#### **Labelling of packages where the contents do not exceed 125 ml**

Signal word: **Danger**

Symbol(s)



H360FD                      May damage fertility. May damage the unborn child.  
P201                      Obtain special instructions before use.  
P280                      Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.  
P308+P313                      IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention.

## 2.3 Other hazards

There is no additional information.

## SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

### 3.1 Substances

Name of substance	Boric acid
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Molecular formula	H <sub>3</sub> BO <sub>3</sub>
Molar mass	61,83 g/mol

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## Substance of Very High Concern (SVHC)

Name of substance	CAS No	Wt%	Listed in	Remarks
Boric acid	10043-35-3	100	Candidate list	Repr. A57c

### Legend

candidate list  
Repr. A57c

Substances meeting the criteria referred to in Article 57 and for eventual inclusion in Annex XIV  
Toxic for reproduction (article 57c)

## SECTION 4: First aid measures

### 4.1 Description of first aid measures



#### General notes

Take off contaminated clothing.

#### Following inhalation

Provide fresh air. In all cases of doubt, or when symptoms persist, seek medical advice.

#### Following skin contact

Rinse skin with water/shower. In all cases of doubt, or when symptoms persist, seek medical advice.

#### Following eye contact

Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. In all cases of doubt, or when symptoms persist, seek medical advice.

#### Following ingestion

Rinse mouth. Do not induce vomiting. In case of accident or unwellness, seek medical advice immediately (show directions for use or safety data sheet if possible).

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

Agitation, Diarrhoea, Nausea, Fatigue, Vomiting, Spasms

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

none

## SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

### 5.1 Extinguishing media



#### Suitable extinguishing media

Co-ordinate fire-fighting measures to the fire surroundings  
water spray, foam, dry extinguishing powder, carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>)

#### Unsuitable extinguishing media

water jet

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## 5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Non-combustible.

## 5.3 Advice for firefighters

Fight fire with normal precautions from a reasonable distance. Wear self-contained breathing apparatus.

## SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

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



#### For non-emergency personnel

Use personal protective equipment as required. Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothes. Do not breathe dust.

### 6.2 Environmental precautions

Keep away from drains, surface and ground water.

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

#### Advice on how to contain a spill

Covering of drains.

#### Advice on how to clean up a spill

Take up mechanically. Control of dust.

#### Other information relating to spills and releases

Place in appropriate containers for disposal.

### 6.4 Reference to other sections

Hazardous combustion products: see section 5. Personal protective equipment: see section 8. Incompatible materials: see section 10. Disposal considerations: see section 13.

## SECTION 7: Handling and storage

### 7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Use extractor hood (laboratory). Avoid dust formation. Avoid exposure.

#### • Measures to prevent fire as well as aerosol and dust generation

Removal of dust deposits.

#### Advice on general occupational hygiene

Wash hands before breaks and after work. Keep away from food, drink and animal feedingstuffs.

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

Store in a dry place. Keep container tightly closed.

#### Incompatible substances or mixtures

Observe hints for combined storage.

#### Consideration of other advice

#### • Ventilation requirements

Use local and general ventilation.

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- **Specific designs for storage rooms or vessels**

Recommended storage temperature: 15 – 25 °C.

### 7.3 Specific end use(s)

No information available.

## SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

### 8.1 Control parameters

#### National limit values

#### Occupational exposure limit values (Workplace Exposure Limits)

Country	Name of agent	CAS No	Notation	Identifier	TWA [mg/m <sup>3</sup> ]	STEL [mg/m <sup>3</sup> ]	Source
IE	dusts non-specific		i	OELV	10		S.I. No. 619 of 2001
IE	dusts non-specific		r	OELV	4		S.I. No. 619 of 2001
IE	boric acid	10043-35-3		OELV	1		S.I. No. 619 of 2001

#### Notation

i Inhalable fraction

r Respirable fraction

STEL Short-term exposure limit: a limit value above which exposure should not occur and which is related to a 15-minute period (unless otherwise specified)

TWA Time-weighted average (long-term exposure limit): measured or calculated in relation to a reference period of 8 hours time-weighted average (unless otherwise specified)

#### Relevant DNELs/DMELs/PNECs and other threshold levels

##### • human health values

Endpoint	Threshold level	Protection goal, route of exposure	Used in	Exposure time
DNEL	8,3 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	human, inhalatory	worker (industry)	chronic - systemic effects
DNEL	392 mg/kg bw/day	human, dermal	worker (industry)	chronic - systemic effects

##### • environmental values

Endpoint	Threshold level	Environmental compartment	Exposure time
PNEC	2,9 mg/l	freshwater	short-term (single instance)
PNEC	2,9 mg/l	marine water	short-term (single instance)
PNEC	10 mg/l	sewage treatment plant (STP)	short-term (single instance)
PNEC	5,7 mg/kg	soil	short-term (single instance)

### 8.2 Exposure controls

#### Individual protection measures (personal protective equipment)

##### Eye/face protection



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Use safety goggles with side protection.

### Skin protection



#### • hand protection

Wear suitable gloves. Chemical protection gloves are suitable, which are tested according to EN 374. For special purposes, it is recommended to check the resistance to chemicals of the protective gloves mentioned above together with the supplier of these gloves. The times are approximate values from measurements at 22 °C and permanent contact. Increased temperatures due to heated substances, body heat etc. and a reduction of the effective layer thickness by stretching can lead to a considerable reduction of the breakthrough time. If in doubt, contact manufacturer. At an approx. 1.5 times larger / smaller layer thickness, the respective breakthrough time is doubled / halved. The data apply only to the pure substance. When transferred to substance mixtures, they may only be considered as a guide.

#### • type of material

NBR (Nitrile rubber)

#### • material thickness

>0,11 mm

#### • breakthrough times of the glove material

>480 minutes (permeation: level 6)

#### • other protection measures

Take recovery periods for skin regeneration. Preventive skin protection (barrier creams/ointments) is recommended.

### Respiratory protection



Respiratory protection necessary at: Dust formation. Particulate filter device (EN 143). P2 (filters at least 94 % of airborne particles, colour code: White).

### Environmental exposure controls

Keep away from drains, surface and ground water.

## SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

### 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

#### Appearance

Physical state	solid (powder, crystalline)
Colour	white
Odour	odourless
Odour threshold	No data available

#### Other physical and chemical parameters

pH (value)	3,8 – 4,8 (water: 30 g/l, 20 °C)
Melting point/freezing point	>100 °C slow decomposition

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Initial boiling point and boiling range	This information is not available.
Flash point	not applicable
Evaporation rate	no data available
Flammability (solid, gas)	These information are not available
<u>Explosive limits</u>	
• lower explosion limit (LEL)	this information is not available
• upper explosion limit (UEL)	this information is not available
Explosion limits of dust clouds	these information are not available
Vapour pressure	This information is not available.
Density	1.489 kg/m <sup>3</sup> at 23 °C
Vapour density	This information is not available.
Bulk density	~ 400 – 600 kg/m <sup>3</sup>
Relative density	Information on this property is not available.
<u>Solubility(ies)</u>	
Water solubility	49,2 g/l at 20 °C
<u>Partition coefficient</u>	
n-octanol/water (log KOW)	-1,09 (pH value: 7,5, 22 °C) (ECHA)
Auto-ignition temperature	Information on this property is not available.
Decomposition temperature	>100 °C
Viscosity	not relevant (solid matter)
Explosive properties	Shall not be classified as explosive
Oxidising properties	none

### 9.2 Other information

There is no additional information.

## SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

### 10.1 Reactivity

This material is not reactive under normal ambient conditions.

### 10.2 Chemical stability

Hygroscopic solid.

### 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

Exothermic reaction with: Alkali (lye), Acetic anhydride,  
=> Explosive properties

### 10.4 Conditions to avoid

Keep away from heat. Decomposition takes place from temperatures above: >100 °C.

### 10.5 Incompatible materials

There is no additional information.

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## 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

Hazardous combustion products: see section 5.

## SECTION 11: Toxicological information

### 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

#### Acute toxicity

Shall not be classified as acutely toxic.

Exposure route	Endpoint	Value	Species	Source
oral	LD50	3.450 mg/kg	rat	ECHA
dermal	LD50	>2.000 mg/kg	rabbit	ECHA

#### Skin corrosion/irritation

Shall not be classified as corrosive/irritant to skin.

#### Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Shall not be classified as seriously damaging to the eye or eye irritant.

#### Respiratory or skin sensitisation

Shall not be classified as a respiratory or skin sensitiser.

#### Summary of evaluation of the CMR properties

**Reproductive toxicity:** May damage fertility. May damage the unborn child

- **Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure**

Shall not be classified as a specific target organ toxicant (single exposure).

- **Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure**

Shall not be classified as a specific target organ toxicant (repeated exposure).

#### Aspiration hazard

Shall not be classified as presenting an aspiration hazard.

#### Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics

- **If swallowed**

nausea, vomiting, diarrhoea

- **If in eyes**

slightly irritant but not relevant for classification

- **If inhaled**

Inhalation of dust may cause irritation of the respiratory system

- **If on skin**

Frequently or prolonged contact with skin may cause dermal irritation

#### Other information

Loss of righting reflex, and ataxia, Spasms, Agitation, Fatigue



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## SECTION 12: Ecological information

### 12.1 Toxicity

acc. to 1272/2008/EC: Shall not be classified as hazardous to the aquatic environment.

### 12.2 Process of degradability

The methods for determining the biological degradability are not applicable to inorganic substances.

### 12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

Does not significantly accumulate in organisms.

n-octanol/water (log KOW)

-1,09 (pH value: 7,5, 22 °C)

### 12.4 Mobility in soil

Data are not available.

### 12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

Data are not available.

### 12.6 Other adverse effects

Data are not available.

#### Endocrine disrupting potential

Name of substance	CAS No	Combined category	Human health category	Wildlife category
Boric acid	10043-35-3	CAT1	CAT1	CAT2

#### Legend

CAT1  
CAT2

Category 1 - evidence of endocrine disruption in at least one species using intact animals

Category 2 - at least some in vitro evidence of biological activity related to endocrine disruption

## SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

### 13.1 Waste treatment methods



This material and its container must be disposed of as hazardous waste. Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.

#### Sewage disposal-relevant information

Do not empty into drains.

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Do not empty into drains.

### 13.2 Relevant provisions relating to waste

The allocation of waste identity numbers/waste descriptions must be carried out according to the EEC, specific to the industry and process.

### 13.3 Remarks

Waste shall be separated into the categories that can be handled separately by the local or national waste management facilities. Please consider the relevant national or regional provisions.

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## SECTION 14: Transport information

- 14.1** UN number (not subject to transport regulations)
- 14.2** UN proper shipping name not relevant
- 14.3** Transport hazard class(es) not relevant  
Class -
- 14.4** Packing group not relevant not assigned to a packing group
- 14.5** Environmental hazards none (non-environmentally hazardous acc. to the dangerous goods regulations)
- 14.6** **Special precautions for user**  
There is no additional information.
- 14.7** **Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL and the IBC Code**  
The cargo is not intended to be carried in bulk.
- 14.8** **Information for each of the UN Model Regulations**
- **Transport of dangerous goods by road, rail and inland waterway (ADR/RID/ADN)**  
Not subject to ADR, RID and ADN.
  - **International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG)**  
Not subject to IMDG.
  - **International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO-IATA/DGR)**  
Not subject to ICAO-IATA.

## SECTION 15: Regulatory information

- 15.1** **Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture**
- Relevant provisions of the European Union (EU)**
- **Regulation 649/2012/EU concerning the export and import of hazardous chemicals (PIC)**  
Not listed.
  - **Regulation 1005/2009/EC on substances that deplete the ozone layer (ODS)**  
Not listed.
  - **Regulation 850/2004/EC on persistent organic pollutants (POP)**  
Not listed.
  - **Restrictions according to REACH, Annex XVII**

Name of substance	CAS No	Wt%	Type of registration	Conditions of restriction	No
Boric acid		100	1907/2006/EC annex XVII	R28-30	30

### Legend

R28-30 1. Shall not be placed on the market, or used,  
- as substances,  
- as constituents of other substances, or,  
- in mixtures,  
for supply to the general public when the individual concentration in the substance or mixture is equal to or greater than:  
- either the relevant specific concentration limit specified in Part 3 of Annex VI to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008, or,  
- the relevant concentration specified in Directive 1999/45/EC where no specific concentration limit is set out in Part 3 of Annex VI to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008.

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### Legend

Without prejudice to the implementation of other Community provisions relating to the classification, packaging and labelling of substances and mixtures, suppliers shall ensure before the placing on the market that the packaging of such substances and mixtures is marked visibly, legibly and indelibly as follows:

'Restricted to professional users'.

2. By way of derogation, paragraph 1 shall not apply to:

(a) medicinal or veterinary products as defined by Directive 2001/82/EC and Directive 2001/83/EC;

(b) cosmetic products as defined by Directive 76/768/EEC;

(c) the following fuels and oil products:

- motor fuels which are covered by Directive 98/70/EC,

- mineral oil products intended for use as fuel in mobile or fixed combustion plants,

- fuels sold in closed systems (e.g. liquid gas bottles);

(d) artists' paints covered by Directive 1999/45/EC;

(e) the substances listed in Appendix 11, column 1, for the applications or uses listed in Appendix 11, column 2.

Where a date is specified in column 2 of Appendix 11, the derogation shall apply until the said date.

### • Restrictions according to REACH, Title VIII

None.

### • List of substances subject to authorisation (REACH, Annex XIV)/SVHC - candidate list

Substance of Very High Concern (SVHC)			
Name acc. to inventory	CAS No	Listed in	Remarks
boric acid	10043-35-3	Candidate list	Repr. A57c

### Legend

candidate list Substances meeting the criteria referred to in Article 57 and for eventual inclusion in Annex XIV  
Repr. A57c Toxic for reproduction (article 57c)

### • Seveso Directive

2012/18/EU (Seveso III)			
No	Dangerous substance/hazard categories	Qualifying quantity (tonnes) for the application of lower and upper-tier requirements	Notes
	not assigned		

### Directive 2011/65/EU on the restriction of the use of certain hazardous substances in electrical and electronic equipment (RoHS) - Annex II

not listed

### Regulation 166/2006/EC concerning the establishment of a European Pollutant Release and Transfer Register (PRTR)

not listed

### Directive 2000/60/EC establishing a framework for Community action in the field of water policy (WFD)

not listed

### Regulation 98/2013/EU on the marketing and use of explosives precursors

not listed

### Regulation 111/2005/EC laying down rules for the monitoring of trade between the Community and third countries in drug precursors

not listed

### National inventories

Substance is listed in the following national inventories:

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Country	National inventories	Status
AU	AICS	substance is listed
CA	DSL	substance is listed
CN	IECSC	substance is listed
EU	ECSI	substance is listed
EU	REACH Reg.	substance is listed
JP	CSCL-ENCS	substance is listed
KR	KECI	substance is listed
MX	INSQ	substance is listed
NZ	NZIoC	substance is listed
PH	PICCS	substance is listed
TR	CICR	substance is listed
TW	TCSI	substance is listed
US	TSCA	substance is listed

### Legend

AICS	Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances
CICR	Chemical Inventory and Control Regulation
CSCL-ENCS	List of Existing and New Chemical Substances (CSCL-ENCS)
DSL	Domestic Substances List (DSL)
ECSI	EC Substance Inventory (EINECS, ELINCS, NLP)
IECSC	Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances Produced or Imported in China
INSQ	National Inventory of Chemical Substances
KECI	Korea Existing Chemicals Inventory
NZIoC	New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals
PICCS	Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances
REACH Reg.	REACH registered substances
TCSI	Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory
TSCA	Toxic Substance Control Act

## 15.2 Chemical Safety Assessment

No Chemical Safety Assessment has been carried out for this substance.

## SECTION 16: Other information

### 16.1 Indication of changes (revised safety data sheet)

Section	Former entry (text/value)	Actual entry (text/value)	Safety-relevant
2.1	Remarks: For full text of Hazard- and EU Hazard-statements: see SECTION 16.		yes
2.2		Pictograms: change in the listing (table)	yes
2.2		Precautionary statements - prevention: change in the listing (table)	yes
2.2		Labelling of packages where the contents do not exceed 125 ml: change in the listing (table)	yes
8.1		Occupational exposure limit values (Workplace Exposure Limits): change in the listing (table)	yes

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Section	Former entry (text/value)	Actual entry (text/value)	Safety-relevant
8.1		• human health values: change in the listing (table)	yes
14.4	Packing group: not relevant	Packing group: not relevant not assigned to a packing group	yes

### Abbreviations and acronyms

Abbr.	Descriptions of used abbreviations
ADN	Accord européen relatif au transport international des marchandises dangereuses par voies de navigation intérieures (European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterways)
ADR	Accord européen relatif au transport international des marchandises dangereuses par route (European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road)
CAS	Chemical Abstracts Service (service that maintains the most comprehensive list of chemical substances)
CLP	Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 on classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures
CMR	Carcinogenic, Mutagenic or toxic for Reproduction
DGR	Dangerous Goods Regulations (see IATA/DGR)
DMEL	Derived Minimal Effect Level
DNEL	Derived No-Effect Level
EINECS	European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances
ELINCS	European List of Notified Chemical Substances
GHS	"Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals" developed by the United Nations
IATA	International Air Transport Association
IATA/DGR	Dangerous Goods Regulations (DGR) for the air transport (IATA)
ICAO	International Civil Aviation Organization
IMDG	International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code
index No	the Index number is the identification code given to the substance in Part 3 of Annex VI to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008
LD50	Lethal Dose 50 %: the LD50 corresponds to the dose of a tested substance causing 50 % lethality during a specified time interval
MARPOL	International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships (abbr. of "Marine Pollutant")
NLP	No-Longer Polymer
PBT	Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic
PNEC	Predicted No-Effect Concentration
REACH	Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals
Repr.	reproductive toxicity
RID	Règlement concernant le transport International ferroviaire des marchandises Dangereuses (Regulations concerning the International carriage of Dangerous goods by Rail)
S.I. No. 619 of 2001	Safety, Health and Welfare at Work (Chemical Agents) Regulations 2001
STEL	short-term exposure limit
SVHC	Substance of Very High Concern

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Abbr.	Descriptions of used abbreviations
TWA	time-weighted average
vPvB	very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative

### Key literature references and sources for data

- Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 (REACH), amended by 2015/830/EU
- Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008 (CLP, EU GHS)
- Dangerous Goods Regulations (DGR) for the air transport (IATA)
- International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG)

### List of relevant phrases (code and full text as stated in chapter 2 and 3)

Code	Text
H360FD	may damage fertility. May damage the unborn child

### Disclaimer

The above information describes exclusively the safety requirements of the product and is based on our present-day knowledge. The information is intended to give you advice about the safe handling of the product named in this safety data sheet, for storage, processing, transport and disposal. The information cannot be transferred to other products. In the case of mixing the product with other products or in the case of processing, the information on this safety data sheet is not necessarily valid for the new made-up material.