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### SAFETY DATA SHEET

# **SECTION 01 - PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION**

Product Identifier			Product Use		
SODIUM TETRABORATE (BORAX)				Laboratory use	
Chemical formula				Product code	Molar weight
Na <sub>2</sub> B <sub>4</sub> O <sub>7</sub> .10H <sub>2</sub> O	Na <sub>2</sub> B <sub>4</sub> O <sub>7</sub> .10H <sub>2</sub> O			SR-0187	381,37
Chemical name / Commercial name / Synonymous SODIUM TETRABORATE DECAHYDRATE, BORAX, BORAX DECAHYDRATE, BORATE DE SODIUM, BIBORATE DE SODIUM, P' SODIUM					YROBORATE DE
Supplier's name			Address-Street		
Laboratoire MAT			610, Adanac Street		
City			Province		
Québec			Québec		
Postal code	Postal code Internet		Phone number		
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#### **SECTION 02 - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**

Classification WHIMS / GHS	Reproductive toxicity category 1B		
Signal Word	DANGER		
Hazards statements (H)	H360 May damage fertility or the unborn child.		
Precautionary statements (P)	P201 Obtain special instructions before use. P202 Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection. P308 + P313 IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention. P405 Store locked up. P501 Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local / regional / national / international regulations or contact a specialist waste disposal company.		
PICTOGRAMS			
Other dangers	NFPA (Risk: 0=No risk; 1=Slight; 2=Moderate; 3=Signifiant; 4=Extreme)		
	Health 1 Fire 0 Reactivity 0 Special danger		

# **SECTION 03 - COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

Ingrédients (Dénomination chimique / synonymes)	Numéro CAS et tout identificateur unique	Concentration (%)
Tétraborate de sodium décahydrate	1303-96-4	<=100

# **SECTION 04 - FIRST AID MEASURES**

Eye contact	Wash eyes with large amounts of water for at least 15 minutes while holding eyelids apart to rinse eyes. If irritation persists, seek medical attention.	
Skin contact	Wash skin with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Remove soiled clothing. If irritation persists, seek medical attention.	
Inhalation	Move the unwell person to the fresh air. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Consult a physician.	
Ingestion	Rinse mouth with water. If the person is conscious, drink water and induce vomiting. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Consult a physician.	
Most important symptoms and effects (acute and delayed)	Ref. section 11.	
Immediate medical attention and special treatment, if necessary	In case of medical consultation, keep this sheet available.	
General advice	Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.	

### **SECTION 05 - FIREFIGHTING MEASURES**

Flammability	No
Ignition conditions	Non flammable.
Suitable extinguishing media	Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.
Unsuitable extinguishing media	Data not available.
Hazardous combustion / decomposition products	Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions Borane/boron oxides, Sodium oxides.
Special fire and explosion hazards	Keep product and empty containers away from heat and sources of ignition. Thermal decomposition can lead to the emission of irritating gases and vapors. May react violently with incompatible products (Ref Section 10).
Special protective equipment and precautions for firefighters	Discard incompatible substances if this can be done without risk. Firefighters should be equipped with standard protective equipment, fireproof clothing, face mask, gloves, protective boots and, where appropriate, self-contained breathing apparatus.

# **SECTION 06 - ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

	Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protective equipment. Pick up with a shovel or broom, taking care not to scatter dust. Clean and rinse with water. Dispose of residues
Personnal precautions, protective equipment	in a container provided for the disposal of hazardous materials. Do not let product enter drains.

### **SECTION 07 - HANDLING AND STORAGE**

Efflorescent with dry air. Store in a cool, dry place. Store in a well-ventilated area. Keep container tightly closed and store away from heat, moisture, and incompatible products.
Always open containers slowly to allow any excess pressure to vent. Avoid formation of dust and aerosols. Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust or vapor is formed. Wear personal protective equipment when handling. Always ensure good ventilation. Transport according to TDG (ref Section 14)

# **SECTION 08 - EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION**

### Workplace control parameters

Components	CAS-No.	Value	Control parameters	Basis		
Disodium tetraborate decahydrate	1303-96-4	TWAEV	2.000000 mg/m3	Canada. Ontario OELs		
		STEL	6.000000 mg/m3	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)		
Remarks	Not classifiable as a human carcinogen					
		STEV	6.000000 mg/m3	Canada. Ontario OELs		
		TWAEV	1.000000 mg/m3	Canada. Ontario OELs		
		TWAEV	5.000000 mg/m3	Canada. Ontario OELs		
		TWAEV	1.000000 mg/m3	Canada. Ontario OELs		
		TWA	1.000000 mg/m3	Canada. Alberta, Occupational Health and Safety Code (table 2: OEL)		
	Occupational	exposure lir	nit is based on irritat	rion effects and its adjustment to compensate for		
	unusual work			0 (1 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1		
		TWAEV	5 mg/m3	Québec. Regulation respecting occupational health and safety, Schedule 1, Part 1: Permissible exposure values for airborne contaminants		
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		TWA	2.000000 mg/m3	Canada. British Columbia OEL		
	Adverse repr	oductive eff				
	STEL		<del></del>			
	6.000000 mg/m3 Canada. British Columbia OEL					
	Adverse reproductive effect					
		TWA	2.000000 mg/m3	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)		
	Not classifiable as a human carcinogen					
		TWA	2.000000 mg/m3	Canada. British Columbia OEL		
		STEL	6.000000 mg/m3	Canada. British Columbia OEL		
		STEL	3.000000 ppm	Canada. Alberta, Occupational Health and Safety Code (table 2: OEL)		
	Occupational exposure limit is based on irritation effects and its adjustment to compensate for unusual work schedules is not required					
		TWA	2.000000 mg/m3	Canada. British Columbia OEL		
		STEL	6.000000 mg/m3	Canada. British Columbia OEL		
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	STEL	6 mg/m3	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)

Data source	Sigma-Aldrich.		
Ventilation	Fan.		
Respiratory	If the permissible levels are exceeded, use a mechanical filter / cartridge against NIOSH vapors or a respirator with air supply.		
Gloves	Handle with gloves.		
Eyes	Safety goggles with safety shutters.		
Shoes	Safety shoes.		
Clothing	Labcoat.		
Engineering control	Have safety showers and eyewash stations in the workplace in case of an emergency and a ventilation system to maintain the level of concentrations in the air below the exposure limit values.		

# **SECTION 09 - PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

Physical state	Solid.
Appearance	Poudre cristalline de couleur blanche
Odour	inodore.
Odour threshold	Data not available
pH	Solution aqueuse 0.01 M = pH 9.15 - 9.20.
Melting point / Freezing point	75°C
Initial boiling point	Se décompose au-dessous du point d'ébullition
Boiling range	Data not available
Flash point	Data not available
Evaporation rate	Data not available
Flammability	No
Lower flammable / Explosive limit	Data not available
Upper flammable / Explosive limit	Data not available
Vapour pressure	Data not available
Vapour density	Data not available
Relative density	1.73g/cm <sup>3</sup>
Solubility	Soluble dans l'eau. Insoluble dans l'alcool.
Partition coefficient water/n-octanol	Log Pow: -1.53 @ 22 °C-
Auto-ignition temperature	Data not available
Decomposition temperature	> 100°C
Viscosity	Data not available

### **SECTION 11 - TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

# **SODIUM TETRABORATE (BORAX)**

Routes of exposure	Ingestion, inhalation, skin and eyes.
Acute exposition effects / symptoms:	By exposure route below.
- Eyes	Irritation and tearing.
- Skin	Irritation.
- Inhalation	Irritation of the mucous membranes and respiratory tract. Nervous disorders, dizziness, cough, dyspnea, headache, convulsions, nausea and vomiting.
Acute toxicity (Ingestion)	Irritation of the mucous membranes.
Chronic exposure effects / symptoms	Burning sensation, watery eyes, nervous disorders, kidney damage, chest pain, dizziness, cough, dyspnoea, laryngitis, headache, tiredness, loss of appetite, nausea and vomiting.
DL50 (specify species and route of entry)	LD50 Oral - Rat - 4,500 - 5,000 mg/kg. LD50 Dermal - Rabbit - > 2,000 mg/kg.
CL50 (specify species and route of entry)	LC50 Inhalation - Rat - 4 h -> 2.04 mg / I

# **SECTION 12 - ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Ecotoxicity	Toxicity to fish: LC50 - Carassius auratus (goldfish) - 178 mg / I - 72 h Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates: EC50 - Daphnia magna (Great Daphnia) - 1,085 - 1,402 mg / I - 48 h Toxicity to algae: IC50 - Desmodesmus subspicatus (green algae) - 158 mg / I - 96 h
Persistence and degradability	The methods for determining biodegradability are not applicable to inorganic substances. Persistence is unlikely.
Bioaccumulative potential	No bioaccumulation is to be expected (log Pow <= 4).
Mobility in soil	Probable mobility in the environment due to its solubility in water.
Other adverse effects	An environmental hazard cannot be excluded in the event of unprofessional handling or disposal.

# **SECTION 13 - DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

	Dispose of contents / container in accordance with local / regional / national / international regulations / or contact a specialist waste disposal company.
Contaminated Packaging	Dispose of as unused product.

### **SECTION 14 - TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

UN Number	N/R
UN Proper shipping name	
Transport hazard class(es)	
Packing group	
Limited quantity index	
ERAP Index	
Special precautions	

# **SECTION 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION**

WHIMS CANADA	Reproductive toxicity category 1B

# **SECTION 16 - OTHER INFORMATION**

#### **Further information**

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. The above information is believed to be correct but does not purport to be all inclusive and shall be used only as a guide. It does not represent any guarantee of the properties of the product. Laboratoire MAT Inc. shall not be held liable for any damage resulting from handling or from contact with the above product.

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