



# Safety Data Sheet

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### 1. Identification

**Product Name:** Borax Solution, 5%

**Item #:** MA0103045, MA0103177

**Web SDS:**

**Synonyms:** N/A

**Recommended Use:** Special Stains

**Restrictions on Use:** N/A

**Manufacturer:**

BBC Biochemical  
409 Eleanor Lane,  
Mount Vernon, WA 98273  
1-800-635-4477

**In Case of Emergency:**

Chemtec US 1-800-424-9300  
Chemtec International 703-527-3887

### 2. Hazards Identification

**OSHA Hazard Classification(s):**

Toxic to Reproduction - Category 2

**Signal Word:** Warning

**Hazard Statement(s):** Suspected of damaging fertility of the unborn child.

**Pictogram(s):**



**Precautionary Statement(s):** Prevention: Obtain special instructions before use. Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Wear protective gloves, protective clothing, eye protection and face protection.

Response: If exposed or concerned: Get medical attention.

Storage: Store locked up.

Disposal: Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local regulations.

**Descriptions of Hazards not otherwise classified:** N/A

**Percent of mixture with unknown acute toxicity:** N/A

### 3. Composition and Information on Ingredients

Chemical Name	Common Name	CAS #	Concentration %
Sodium Borate Decahydrate		1303-96-4	5
Water		7732-18-5	95

### 4. First Aid Measures

**Eye Contact:** If in eyes: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.

**Skin Contact:** If on skin (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing and wash before reuse. Wash with plenty of water. If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention.

**Inhalation:** Remove to fresh air; give artificial respiration if breathing has stopped. Get medical advice/attention if you feel unwell.

**Ingestion:** Do not induce vomiting. If vomiting occurs spontaneously, keep head below hips to prevent aspiration of liquid into the lungs. Get medical attention.

**Symptoms:** Irritation eyes, nose, throat; headache, dizziness

**Recommendations for immediate medical care/special treatment:** Get medical advice/attention if you feel unwell.

### 5. Fire- Fighting Measures

**Extinguishing Media:** Dry chemical, carbon dioxide, alcohol foam, water.

**Fire Hazards (Chemical):** Not flammable.



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**Special Protective Equipment:** Fire fighters should use self-contained breathing apparatus and protective clothing.

**Precautions for Firefighters:** Fire fighters should use self-contained breathing apparatus and protective clothing.

### 6. Accidental Release Measures

**Emergency Procedures:** Evacuate the area of all unnecessary personnel. Wear suitable protective equipment. Eliminate all sources of ignition and provide ventilation.

**Protective Equipment:** See section 8

**Environmental Precautions:** Prevent release to the environment by using barriers.

**Containment and Clean-Up Procedures:** Use barriers to prevent spreading. Collect spill in container. Call waste authorities.

### 7. Handling and Storage

**Handling:** Do not breathe vapors. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.

**Storage:** Store locked up. Store in a well-ventilated, cool place. Keep lid tightly sealed until ready to use.

### 8. Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

**OSHA Permissible Exposure Limits (PELs):**

Reagent	CAS #	OSHA PEL TWA
N/A		

**ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLVs):**

Reagent	CAS #	ACGIH PEL TLV	ACGIH STEL
N/A			

**Engineering Controls:** Use in a well ventilated area to prevent exposure. Maintain eyewash fountain and quick-drench facilities in work areas.

**Personal Protective Measures:** Wear gloves, lab coat, eye protection and impervious footwear. Contact lenses should not be worn when working with this material.

**Special PPE Requirements:** If ventilation hood not available wear respirator.

### 9. Physical and Chemical Properties Section

**Appearance:** Colorless, Liquid

**Molecular Weight:** N/A

**Molecular Formula:** N/A

**pH:** 9.2-9.6

**Boiling Point and Boiling Range:** N/A

**Melting Point/Freezing Point:** N/A

**Flash Point:** N/A

**Specific Gravity/Relative Density:** N/A

**Odor:** N/A

**Odor Threshold:** N/A

**Color:** Colorless

**Flammability (solid/gas):** N/A

**Vapor Density:** N/A

**Upper/Lower flammability or explosive limits:** N/A

**Vapor Pressure:** N/A

**Evaporation Rate:** N/A

**Partition Coefficient: n-octanol/water:** N/A



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**Viscosity:** N/A

**Auto-ignition temperature:** N/A

**Solubility:** N/A

**Decomposition Temperature:** N/A

### 10. Stability and Reactivity

**Reactivity:** N/A

**Chemical Stability:** Stable

**Conditions of Stability/Instability:** N/A

**Stabilizers needed:** None

**Safety issue indicated by appearance change:** N/A

**Other:** N/A

**Hazardous Reactions:** N/A

**Hazardous Polymerization:** Does not occur

**Conditions to avoid:** N/A

**Classes of Incompatible Materials:** Oxidizers, Strong Acids, Strong Bases, Zirconium, metallic salts

**Hazardous Decomposition Products:** Thermal-oxidation degradation can produce oxides of carbon. Toxic gases and vapors (I.e. Carbon monoxide) may be released in a fire.

### 11. Toxicological Information

#### Likely Routes of Exposure

**Eyes:** Irritation.

**Skin:** Irritation.

**Inhalation:** Dizziness, headache.

**Ingestion:** Nausea.

**Signs or Symptoms of Exposure:** Nausea.

**Effects from short term exposure (delayed, immediate, chronic):** Irritation eyes, skin, upper respiratory system; dermatitis; epistaxis (nosebleed); cough, dyspnea (breathing difficulty)

**Acute Toxicity (Numerical Measures):** Sodium Borate: LD50(oral,mouse)=2 gm/kg, LD50(oral,rat)=2660 mg/kg

**Carcinogenicity (NTP, IARC, OSHA):** N/A

### 12. Ecological Information

**Ecotoxicity:** Sodium Borate: Toxicity to fish: LC50-Carassius auratus (goldfish)-178 mg/l-72h Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates: EC50-Daphnia magna (water flea)-1085-1402mg/l-48h Toxicity to algae IC50-Desmodesmus subspicatus(green algae)-158mg/l-96h

**Persistence and degradability:**

**Bioaccumulation Potential (octanol-water partition coefficient, BCF):**

**Mobility in the soil:**

**Adverse Environmental Effects:**

### 13. Disposal Considerations

**Recommended Disposal Containers:** Check with your local waste authorities\*

**Recommended Disposal Methods:** Do not dispose of in drains, check with your local waste authorities.\*

**Physical/Chemical Properties affecting Disposal:** See section 2 and section 9 applicable information.\*

**Special Precautions for Landfill and Incineration Activities:** Check with your local waste authorities.\*

**Waste Stream:** Consult your local or regional authorities.\*

### 14. Transport Information

**UN Number:** Not hazardous.



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**UN Proper Shipping Name:**  
**Transport Hazard Class(es):**  
**Packing Group Number:**  
**Environmental Hazards (IMDG code):**  
**Marine Pollutant:**  
**Transport in Bulk (IBC Code):**  
**Special Transport Precautions:**

### 15. Regulatory Information

**OSHA:**  
**DOT:**  
**EPA:**  
**CPSC:**



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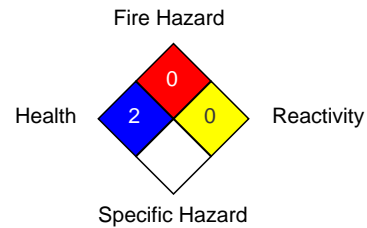
### 16. Other Information

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#### NFPA

Health	2
Fire Hazard	0
Reactivity	0
Specific Hazard	

National Fire Protection Association (USA) NFPA



#### HMIS

Health	2
Flammability	0
Physical Hazard	0
Personal Protection	

Hazardous Material Information System HMIS

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