# FLINN SCIENTIFIC, INC. Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS)

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#### SECTION 1 — CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

# **Boric Acid**

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# SECTION 2 — COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Boric acid

CAS#: 10043-35-3

# **SECTION 3 — HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**

White, odorless, crystalline powder.

Slightly toxic by ingestion, inhalation, or skin absorption; irritant to skin in dry form.

Avoid ingestion, inhalation, and skin absorption.

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Health-1 Flammability-0

Reactivity-1 Exposure-1

Storage-0

0 is low hazard, 3 is high hazard

# **SECTION 4 — FIRST AID MEASURES**

Call a physician and seek medical attention for further treatment, observation, and support after first aid.

Inhalation: Remove to fresh air at once. If breathing has stopped, give artificial respiration immediately.

Eye: Immediately flush with fresh water for at least 15 minutes.

External: Wash continuously with fresh water for at least 15 minutes.

Internal: Rinse out mouth, give 1 to 2 cups of water or milk, and induce vomiting. Call a physician or poison control at once.

#### **SECTION 5 — FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES**

Nonflammable, noncombustible solid.

NFPA CODE

None established

# SECTION 6 — ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Restrict unprotected personnel from the area. Sweep up the spill, place in a sealed bag or container, and dispose. Ventilate area and wash spill site after material pickup is complete. See Sections 8 and 13 for further information.

#### **SECTION 7 — HANDLING AND STORAGE**

Flinn Suggested Chemical Storage Pattern: Inorganic #9; store with other inorganic acids. Store in a cool, dry place.

# SECTION 8 — EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION

Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Wear chemical splash goggles, chemical-resistant gloves, and chemical-resistant apron. Use exhaust ventilation to keep airborne concentrations low.

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# **SECTION 9 — PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

White, odorless, crystalline powder.

Solubility: Soluble in water.

Specific Gravity: 2.46

Melting Point: 185 °C

Formula: H<sub>3</sub>BO<sub>3</sub> Formula Weight: 61.84

# **SECTION 10 — STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

Avoid contact with potassium and acid anhydrides.

Shelf life: Indefinite.

# **SECTION 11 — TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Acute effects: Irritant. ORL-RAT  $LD_{50}$ : 2660 mg/kg Chronic effects: N.A. IHL-RAT  $LC_{50}$ : N.A. SKN-RBT  $LD_{50}$ : N.A.

N.A. = Not available, not all health aspects of this substance have been fully investigated.

# **SECTION 12 — ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Data not yet available.

# SECTION 13 — DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Please consult with state and local regulations.

Flinn Suggested Disposal Method #24a is one option.

# **SECTION 14 — TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

Shipping Name: Not regulated

Hazard Class: N/A UN Number: N/A N/A = Not applicable

# **SECTION 15 — REGULATORY INFORMATION**

TSCA-listed, EINECS-listed (233-139-2).

# **SECTION 16 — OTHER INFORMATION**

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