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1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product identifier

Recommended uses:

Fertilizer end-use, preparation of fertilizers mixtures.

Dry fertilizer for mixing with water for foliar and soil applications.

Restrictions on uses:

None

Manufacturer

Company Telephone/Fax
Emergency Telephone Number

. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Classification of the mixture

Classification of the chemical in accordance with 29CFR §1910.1200

Hazard classes and Hazard categories Hazard statements

Toxic to reproduction cat. 1B May damage fertility. May damage the unborn child.

Label elements

Hazard pictograms



Signal word DANGER

Hazard Statements May damage fertility. May damage the unborn child.

Precautionary Statements

Obtain special instructions before use. Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.

Wear protective gloves / protective clothing / eye protection.

IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention.

Store locked up

Dispose of contents/container according to local/state/federal regulations.

Other hazards

None

Classification of the relevant ingredients of the mixture in accordance with 29CFR §1910.1200

Potassium nitrate Oxidizing solid, Cat. 3

Boric acid Toxic to reproduction, Cat. 1B

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

This product is to be considered as a mixture/preparation

Substance name	CAS No	EC No	Concentration
Potassium nitrate	7757-79-1	231-818-8	5% - 50%
Boric acid	10043-35-3	233-139-2	< 3%
Perchlorate (ClO ₄ -)			< 0.01%
lodate (IO ₂ ⁻)			< 50 ppm

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Description of first aid measures

General information

In case of persisting adverse effects consult a physician.

Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person or a person with cramps.



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In case of inhalation

Remove to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.

Get medical attention for any breathing difficulty.

In case of skin contact

Wash with plenty of soap and water.

If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention.

In case of eye contact

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.

In case of ingestion

Rinse mouth and drink plenty of water. Do not induce vomiting. Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.

Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

The following symptoms may occur:

Delayed lung effects after short term exposure to thermal degradation products.

In case of skin contact May cause redness or irritation
In case of eye contact May cause redness or irritation

In case of ingestion Ingestion of large amounts may cause: gastrointestinal disturbances

Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Treat symptomatically.

5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media: Use any suitable mean for extinguishing surrounding fire.

Unsuitable material: None, but attention should be paid to compatibility with chemicals surrounding.

Specific hazards arising from the chemical

Thermal decomposition can lead to the escape of toxic/corrosive gases and vapours.

Thermal decomposition products: Nitrous oxides (NOx), nitrites, phosphorus oxides, ammonia and metallic oxides.

Protective equipment and precautions for firefighters

Keep upwind of fire. Wear full fire fighting turn-out gear (full Bunker gear) and respiratory protection (self contained breathing apparatus (SCBA)).

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions

Provide adequate ventilation. Wear personal protection equipment (Section 8).

Environmental precautions

Do not allow to enter into surface water or drains. Ensure waste is collected and contained.

Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Take up mechanically, placing in appropriate containers for disposal or recovery.

Unsuitable material for containment/taking up:

None specified

Other information

None

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Precautions for Safe Handling

Obtain special instructions before use. Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Avoid generation of dust. Provide adequate ventilation. Wear personal protective equipment. Wash hands thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.



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Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Keep/store only in original container. Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed. Store locked up.

Perchlorate containing product - Special handling may apply. See www.dtsc.ca.gov/hazardouswaste/perchlorate and Section 15 for more information regarding California State regulations.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Exposure Guidelines

Occupational exposure limits

Potassium nitrate Boric acid

OSHA PEL Not Established Not Established

STEL/ceiling Not Established Not Established

ACGIH (2012 TLVs® and BEIs®)

TWA Not Established 2 mg/m^3 (inhal. fraction) STEL/ceiling Not Established 6 mg/m^3 (inhal. fraction)

Derived No-Effect Level (DNEL) suggested by the manufacturer

Workers (industrial/professional):			
Potassium nitrate			
DNEL Human, dermal, long term (repeated): 20.8 mg/kg/day (systemic)			
DNEL Human, inhalation, long term (repeated):	36.7 mg/m ³ (systemic)		
Boric acid			
ONEL Human, dermal, long term (repeated): 4800 mg B/day (systemic)			

Derived No-Effect Level (DNEL) is the level of exposure to the substance above which humans should not be exposed.

Engineering controls

Vapour density

Use exhaust ventilation to keep airborne concentrations below exposure limits.

Personal Protective Equipment

Eye/face protection Chemical goggles required all the time.

Skin Protection Nitrile rubber gloves, over 0.11 mm thickness, > 480 min breakthrough time,

recommended. Overall.

Respiratory Protection Wear respiratory protection, where airborne concentrations are expected to exceed

exposure limits

No data available

General Hygiene Considerations

Avoid contact with eyes and skin. Wash hands thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance Solid, granular or crystalline powder

Colour white to pale blue Odour Odourless

Odourless **Odour Threshold** No applicable No data available pH value Melting point / freezing range No data available Boiling temperature / boiling range Not applicable Flash point Not applicable Vapourisation rate / Evaporation rate No data available Flammable solids Not flammable Explosion limits (LEL, UEL) Not applicable Vapour pressure No data available

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Relative Density No data available

Solubility $> 100 \text{ g/L at } 20^{\circ}\text{C}/68^{\circ}\text{F (water)}$

Partition coefficient n-octanol /water
Auto Ignition temperature (AIT)

Decomposition temperature
Viscosity

Explosive properties

Oxidising properties

Not applicable
Not applicable
Not explosive
Not oxidizer

Other information

None

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity

No hazardous reaction when handled and stored according to provisions.

Chemical stability

Stable under normal storage and temperature conditions.

Possibility of hazardous reactions

None identified

Conditions to avoid

None identified

Incompatible materials

None identified

Hazardous decomposition products

Thermal decomposition products: Nitrous oxides (NOx), nitrites, phosphorus oxides, ammonia and metallic oxides.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

The following information mostly refers to the major component of the product.

Likely routes of exposure (inhalation, ingestion, skin and eye contact)

Eye contact, skin contact and inhalation. Exposure by ingestion is not expected to occur through normal industrial or agricultural use.

Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics

May be irritant to the respiratory tract. May cause redness or irritation to the skin and eyes. Ingestion of large amounts may cause gastrointestinal disturbances. May cause delayed lung effects after short term exposure to thermal degradation products.

Information on toxicological effects from short and long term exposure

There is no data for the mixture itself.

Acute toxicity

Acute oral toxicity LD50:

Acute Toxicity Estimate for the mixture > 2000 mg/kg bw (additivity formula)

Potassium nitrate >2000 mg/kg bw Boric acid 3765 mg/kg bw

Assessment / classification: Based on available data for the ingredients of the mixture, the classification criteria

are not met.

Irritant and corrosive effects

Irritation to the skin Result Method

Potassium nitrate non-irritant. Equivalent/similar to OECD guideline 404
Boric acid non-irritant. Equivalent/similar to OECD guideline 404

Assessment / classification: Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Irritation to eyes Result Method

Potassium nitrate Not-irritating OECD Guideline 405

Boric acid Not-irritating Equivalent/similar to OECD guideline 405

Assessment / classification: Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met



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Respiratory or skin sensitisation

Skin sensitization Result Method

Potassium nitrate not sensitizing. OECD Guideline 429
Boric acid not sensitizing. OECD Guideline 406

Respiratory sensitisation No information available.

Assessment / classification: Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Genetic effects

The product does not contain ingredients classified as germ cell mutagens.

Bacterial (Ames Test) Chromosomal aberrations Mutation in mammalian cells

Potassium nitrate negative negative negative negative Assessment / classification: negative n

Reproductive toxicity

Adverse effects on sexual function and fertility/developmental toxicity

OECD guideline 422.

Potassium nitrate No adverse effects on fertility/development (NOAEL >1500 mg/kg bw).

Boric acid fertility NOAEL (male rats): 17.5 mg B/kg bw/day (Multigeneration study)

Boron has been shown to adversely affect male reproduction in laboratory animals, however, male reproductive effects attributable to boron have not been

demonstrated in studies of highly exposed workers.

developmental toxicity Benchmark dose (BMDL05): 10.3 mg B/kg bw/day

Developmental effects have been observed in laboratory animals. The critical effect is considered to be decreased fetal body weight in rats. There is no evidence of developmental effects in humans attributable to boron in studies of populations with

high exposures to boron.

Assessment / classification: Based on available data for ingredients of the mixture, this product is classified and

labelled as Presumed human reproductive toxicant, Category 1B, in accordance

with Appendix A to 29CFR section 1910.1200.

Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)

The product does not contain relevant ingredients classified as Target Organ Toxicant after single exposure.

Practical experience / human evidence

Potassium nitrate

No relevant effect have been observed after single exposure to potassium nitrate.

No relevant effect have been observed after single exposure to the substance. No

reliable study supports the designation of boric acid as a respiratory irritant.

Assessment / classification: Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure)

Organs affected: Effects Guideline

Potassium nitrate None No effects (NOAEL >1500 mg/kg bw) OECD 422

Boric acid Testes NOAEL (chronic, rat): 17.5 mg B/kg bw/day

A number of studies on boric acid or disodium tetraborate decahydrate in diet or via drinking water for periods of 30 days to two years in rats, mice and dogs are available. Most studies support that boron can cause adverse haematological effects and that the main target organ of boron toxicity is the testis.

Assessment / classification: Based on available data for ingredients of the mixture, this product is classified and

labelled as Presumed human reproductive toxicant, Category 1B, in accordance

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Aspiration hazard

Physicochemical data and toxicological information does not indicate an aspiration hazard.

Assessment / classification: Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met



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Carcinogenicity

International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC)

No component of this product present at levels ≥0.1% is identified as

probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.

National Toxicology Program (NTP)

No component of this product present at levels ≥0.1% is identified as

known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP.

29 CFR part 1910, subpart Z No component of this product present at levels ≥0.1% is identified as

carcinogen or potencial carcinogen by OSHA.

California Proposition 65 No component of this product present at levels ≥0.1% is identified as

carcinogen by California Prop.65.

WHO (2003) Nitrate in drinking water

No association between nitrate exposure in humans and the risk of

cancer

Assessment / classification: Based on available data, the classification criteria is not met

Other Toxicological Information

This product contains trace amounts of naturally-occurring perchlorate and iodate. Like other goitrogenic substances, perchlorate may affect iodine uptake by thyroid under specific conditions.

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

There is no data for the mixture itself. The following information mostly refers to the major component of the product.

Ecotoxicity

Aquatic Toxicity

Potassium nitrate

96-h LC501378 mg/LPoecilia reticulata (freshwater fish)24-h EC50490 mg/LDaphnia magna (fresh water flea).

10 d EC50 > 1700 mg/L Several algae species

Boric acid

96-h LC50 74 - 725 mg B/L Fish

48-h EC50 45 - 1376 mg B/L Aquatic invertebrates

72-h EC50 40 mg B/L Algae (*Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata*)

Assessment / classification Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Persistence and degradability

The product contains mainly inorganic nitrate and phosphate salts. In aqueous solutions, these salts dissociate into their respective ions. Phosphate ions are finally incorporated into the Phosphorus cycle. Under anoxic conditions, denitrification occurs and nitrate is ultimately converted into molecular nitrogen as part of the Nitrogen cycle.

Bioaccumulative potential

Low potential for bioaccumulation based on physicochemical properties of main components.

Mobility in soil

The components of this mixture have a low potential for adsorption. Portion not taken up by plants, can leach to groundwater.

Other adverse effects

Excess nitrate leaching may enrich waters leading to eutrophication.

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Disposal should be in accordance with applicable federal and state laws.

It is the responsibility of the waste generator to determine the toxicity and physical properties of the material generated to determine the proper waste identification and disposal method in compliance with applicable regulations.

This product is not listed as dangerous waste in the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) 40 CFR 261.

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14. TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

US DOT (49CFR part 172)

UN-No. Non dangerous good UN Proper Shipping Name Not applicable Hazard class Not applicable Packing group Not applicable Hazard label(s) Not applicable

Special marking No
Special Provision No
International Maritime Organization (IMDG Code)

UN-No. Non dangerous good
UN Proper Shipping Name Not applicable
Hazard class Not applicable
Packing group Not applicable

Marine pollutant No

Hazard label(s) Not applicable

Special marking No

International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) and International Air Transport Association (IATA)

UN-No. Non dangerous good

UN Proper Shipping Name Not applicable
Hazard class Not applicable
Packing group Not applicable
Hazard label Not applicable

Special marking No

Special handling procedure

None

Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code

Not applicable

Other special precautions

None

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

US Federal

SARA Title III Rules

Section 311/312 Hazard Classes

Acute Health Hazard No

Chronic Health Hazard Yes (Toxic to reproduction)

Fire Hazard No
Release of Pressure No
Reactive Hazard No

Section 313 Toxic Chemicals

N511 Nitrate compounds (water dissociable; reportable only when in aqueous solution)

Section 302 Extremely Hazardous Substances (EHS)/CERCLA Hazardous Substances

None ingredient is listed.

NFPA 704/2012: National Fire Protection Association

Health 1
Fire 0
Reactivity 0
Special None



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US State Regulations

California Proposition 65 None ingredient is listed.

California Code of Regulations Title 22 (Health & Safety See http://www.dtsc.ca.gov/hazardouswaste/perchlorate/

Code), Chapter 33

Chemical Inventories

United States TSCA All ingredients are listed
Canada DSL All ingredients are listed
European Union (EINECS) All ingredients are listed
Japan (METI) All ingredients are listed

16. OTHER INFORMATION

This SDS complies with 29 CFR part 1910 subpart Z (2012) and ANSI Standard Z400.1-2004

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