

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006

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GENERIC EU MSDS - NO COUNTRY SPECIFIC DATA - NO OEL DATA

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

### 1.1 Product identifiers

Product name : Sodium tetraborate decahydrate

Product Number : B9876  
Brand : SIGALD  
Index-No. : 005-011-01-1  
REACH No. : 01-2119490790-32-XXXX  
CAS-No. : 1303-96-4

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

Identified uses : Laboratory chemicals, Manufacture of substances

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

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### 1.4 Emergency telephone

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weltweit)

## SECTION 2: Hazards identification

### 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

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

Eye irritation (Category 2), H319


Reproductive toxicity (Category 1B), H360FD

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.


### 2.2 Label elements

#### Labelling according Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008



Pictogram	
Signal Word	Danger
Hazard statement(s)	
H319	Causes serious eye irritation.
H360FD	May damage fertility. May damage the unborn child.
Precautionary statement(s)	
P202	Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.
P264	Wash skin thoroughly after handling.
P280	Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.
P305 + P351 + P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
P308 + P313	IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/ attention.
P337 + P313	If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/ attention.
Supplemental Hazard Statements	none
	Restricted to professional users.

### Reduced Labeling (<= 125 ml)

Pictogram	
Signal Word	Danger
Hazard statement(s)	
H360FD	May damage fertility. May damage the unborn child.
Precautionary statement(s)	
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.
Supplemental Hazard Statements	none

### 2.3 Other hazards

This substance/mixture contains no components considered to be either persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic (PBT), or very persistent and very bioaccumulative (vPvB) at levels of 0.1% or higher.

#### Ecological information:

The substance/mixture does not contain components considered to have endocrine disrupting properties according to REACH Article 57(f) or Commission Delegated regulation (EU) 2017/2100 or Commission Regulation (EU) 2018/605 at levels of 0.1% or higher.



#### Toxicological information:

The substance/mixture does not contain components considered to have endocrine disrupting properties according to REACH Article 57(f) or Commission Delegated regulation (EU) 2017/2100 or Commission Regulation (EU) 2018/605 at levels of 0.1% or higher.

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### SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

#### 3.1 Substances

Synonyms : Boraxdecahydrate  
Sodium boratedecahydrate

Formula : B<sub>4</sub>Na<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>·10H<sub>2</sub>O  
Molecular weight : 381,37 g/mol  
CAS-No. : 1303-96-4  
EC-No. : 603-411-9  
Index-No. : 005-011-01-1

Component	Classification	Concentration
<b>disodium tetraborate decahydrate</b> Included in the Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 (REACH)		
CAS-No. 1303-96-4 EC-No. 603-411-9 Index-No. 005-011-01-1	Eye Irrit. 2; Repr. 1B; H319, H360FD	<= 100 %

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

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### SECTION 4: First aid measures

#### 4.1 Description of first-aid measures

##### General advice

Show this material safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

##### If inhaled

After inhalation: fresh air. Call in physician.

##### In case of skin contact

In case of skin contact: Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ shower. Consult a physician.

##### In case of eye contact

After eye contact: rinse out with plenty of water. Call in ophthalmologist. Remove contact lenses.

##### If swallowed

After swallowing: immediately make victim drink water (two glasses at most). Consult a physician.

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

The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2.2) and/or in section 11



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

No data available

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### **SECTION 5: Firefighting measures**

#### **5.1 Extinguishing media**

##### **Suitable extinguishing media**

Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.

##### **Unsuitable extinguishing media**

For this substance/mixture no limitations of extinguishing agents are given.

#### **5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture**

Borane/boron oxides

Sodium oxides

Not combustible.

Ambient fire may liberate hazardous vapours.

#### **5.3 Advice for firefighters**

Stay in danger area only with self-contained breathing apparatus. Prevent skin contact by keeping a safe distance or by wearing suitable protective clothing.

#### **5.4 Further information**

Suppress (knock down) gases/vapors/mists with a water spray jet. Prevent fire extinguishing water from contaminating surface water or the ground water system.

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### **SECTION 6: Accidental release measures**

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

Advice for non-emergency personnel: Avoid inhalation of dusts. Avoid substance contact. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate the danger area, observe emergency procedures, consult an expert.

For personal protection see section 8.

#### **6.2 Environmental precautions**

Do not let product enter drains.

#### **6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up**

Cover drains. Collect, bind, and pump off spills. Observe possible material restrictions (see sections 7 and 10). Take up carefully. Dispose of properly. Clean up affected area. Avoid generation of dusts.

#### **6.4 Reference to other sections**

For disposal see section 13.

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### **SECTION 7: Handling and storage**

#### **7.1 Precautions for safe handling**

##### **Advice on safe handling**

Work under hood. Do not inhale substance/mixture.

##### **Hygiene measures**

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Immediately change contaminated clothing. Apply preventive skin protection. Wash hands and face after working with substance.

For precautions see section 2.2.

## 7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

### Storage conditions

Tightly closed. Dry. Keep in a well-ventilated place. Keep locked up or in an area accessible only to qualified or authorized persons.

### Storage class

Storage class (TRGS 510): 6.1D: Non-combustible, acute toxic Cat.3 / toxic hazardous materials or hazardous materials causing chronic effects

## 7.3 Specific end use(s)

Apart from the uses mentioned in section 1.2 no other specific uses are stipulated

## SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

### 8.1 Control parameters

#### Ingredients with workplace control parameters

#### Derived No Effect Level (DNEL)

Application Area	Routes of exposure	Health effect	Value
Worker DNEL, acute	inhalation	Local effects	2,52 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Remarks	Expressed as, Boron		
Worker DNEL, longterm	dermal	Systemic effects	
	Expressed as, Boron		
Worker DNEL, longterm	inhalation	Systemic effects	1,45 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
	Expressed as, Boron		
Worker DNEL, longterm	inhalation	Local effects	2,52 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
	Expressed as, Boron		
Consumer DNEL, acute	oral	Systemic effects	
	Expressed as, Boron		
Consumer DNEL, acute	inhalation	Local effects	2,52 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
	Expressed as, Boron		
Consumer DNEL, longterm	dermal	Systemic effects	
	Expressed as, Boron		
Consumer DNEL, longterm	inhalation	Systemic effects	0,73 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
	Expressed as, Boron		
Consumer DNEL, longterm	oral	Systemic effects	
	Expressed as, Boron		



Consumer DNEL, longterm	inhalation	Local effects	2,52 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
		Expressed as, Boron	

### Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)

Compartment	Value
Fresh water	2,9 mg/l
Remarks	Expressed as, Boron
Sea water	2,9 mg/l
	Expressed as, Boron
Aquatic intermittent release	13,7 mg/l
	Expressed as, Boron
Sewage treatment plant	10 mg/l
	Expressed as, Boron
Soil	5,7 mg/kg
	Expressed as, Boron

## 8.2 Exposure controls

### Personal protective equipment

#### Eye/face protection

Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU). Safety glasses

#### Skin protection

This recommendation applies only to the product stated in the safety data sheet, supplied by us and for the designated use. When dissolving in or mixing with other substances and under conditions deviating from those stated in EN 16523-1 please contact the supplier of CE-approved gloves (e.g. KCL GmbH, D-36124 Eichenzell, Internet: [www.kcl.de](http://www.kcl.de)).

Full contact

Material: Nitrile rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0,11 mm

Break through time: 480 min

Material tested:KCL 741 Dermatril® L

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Splash contact

Material: Nitrile rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0,11 mm

Break through time: 480 min

Material tested:KCL 741 Dermatril® L

#### Body Protection

protective clothing

#### Respiratory protection

required when dusts are generated.



Our recommendations on filtering respiratory protection are based on the following standards: DIN EN 143, DIN 14387 and other accompanying standards relating to the used respiratory protection system.

Recommended Filter type: Filter type P3

The entrepreneur has to ensure that maintenance, cleaning and testing of respiratory protective devices are carried out according to the instructions of the producer. These measures have to be properly documented.

### **Control of environmental exposure**

Do not let product enter drains.

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## **SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties**

### **9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

a) Physical state	crystalline
b) Color	white
c) Odor	odorless
d) Melting point/freezing point	Melting point: 75 °C - Elimination of water of crystallization
e) Initial boiling point and boiling range	No data available
f) Flammability (solid, gas)	The product is not flammable.
g) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits	No data available
h) Flash point	Not applicable
i) Autoignition temperature	No data available
j) Decomposition temperature	No data available
k) pH	9,0 - 9,5 at 38,1 g/l at 25 °C
l) Viscosity	Viscosity, kinematic: No data available Viscosity, dynamic: No data available
m) Water solubility	38,1 g/l at 20 °C - completely soluble
n) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	Not applicable for inorganic substances
o) Vapor pressure	0,213 hPa at 20 °C
p) Density	1,73 g/cm <sup>3</sup> at 25 °C - lit.
Relative density	No data available
q) Relative vapor	No data available



density  
r) Particle characteristics No data available

s) Explosive properties No data available

t) Oxidizing properties none

## 9.2 Other safety information

No data available

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## SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

### 10.1 Reactivity

No data available

### 10.2 Chemical stability

The product is chemically stable under standard ambient conditions (room temperature) .

### 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

Violent reactions possible with:  
strong oxidising agents  
Acids  
metallic salts

### 10.4 Conditions to avoid

no information available

### 10.5 Incompatible materials

No data available

### 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

In the event of fire: see section 5

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## SECTION 11: Toxicological information

### 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

#### Acute toxicity

LD50 Oral - Rat - male - > 2.500 mg/kg

(OECD Test Guideline 401)

LC50 Inhalation - Rat - male and female - 4 h - > 2,12 mg/l - dust/mist

(OECD Test Guideline 403)

Remarks: The value is given in analogy to the following substances: boric acid

LD50 Dermal - Rabbit - male and female - > 2.000 mg/kg

Remarks: (ECHA)

The value is given in analogy to the following substances: disodium tetraborate pentahydrate



**Skin corrosion/irritation**

Skin - Rabbit

Result: No skin irritation - 24 h

Remarks: (ECHA)

The value is given in analogy to the following substances: disodium tetraborate pentahydrate

**Serious eye damage/eye irritation**

Eyes - Rabbit

Result: Causes serious eye irritation. - 14 Days

(OECD Test Guideline 405)

**Respiratory or skin sensitization**

Buehler Test - Guinea pig

Result: negative

(OECD Test Guideline 406)

**Germ cell mutagenicity**

Test Type: sister chromatid exchange assay

Test system: Chinese hamster ovary cells

Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation

Result: negative

Remarks: (in analogy to similar products)

Test Type: Ames test

Test system: *S. typhimurium*

Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation

Method: OECD Test Guideline 471

Result: negative

Test Type: In vitro mammalian cell gene mutation test

Test system: mouse lymphoma cells

Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation

Method: OECD Test Guideline 476

Result: negative

Test Type: Micronucleus test

Species: Mouse

Application Route: Oral

Method: OECD Test Guideline 474

Result: negative

**Carcinogenicity**

No data available

**Reproductive toxicity**

May damage the unborn child.

May damage fertility.

**Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure**

No data available

**Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure**

No data available

**Aspiration hazard**

No data available



## 11.2 Additional Information

### Endocrine disrupting properties

#### Product:

Assessment

The substance/mixture does not contain components considered to have endocrine disrupting properties according to REACH Article 57(f) or Commission Delegated regulation (EU) 2017/2100 or Commission Regulation (EU) 2018/605 at levels of 0.1% or higher.

Repeated dose toxicity - Rat - male and female - Oral - 2 yr - NOAEL (No observed adverse effect level) - 100 mg/kg - LOAEL (Lowest observed adverse effect level) - 334 mg/kg  
Remarks: (ECHA)

Animal feeding studies in rat, mouse and dog, at high doses, have demonstrated effects on fertility and testes. Studies with the chemically related boric acid in the rat, mouse and rabbit, at high doses, demonstrate developmental effects on the fetus, including fetal weight loss and minor skeletal variations. The doses administered were many times in excess of those to which humans would normally be exposed. Human epidemiological studies show no increase in pulmonary disease in occupational populations with chronic exposures to boric acid dust and sodium borate dust. A recent epidemiological study under the conditions of normal occupational exposure to borate dusts indicated no effect on fertility.

To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

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## SECTION 12: Ecological information

### 12.1 Toxicity

No data available

### 12.2 Persistence and degradability

The methods for determining biodegradability are not applicable to inorganic substances.

### 12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

Due to the distribution coefficient n-octanol/water, accumulation in organisms is not expected.

### 12.4 Mobility in soil

No data available

### 12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

This substance/mixture contains no components considered to be either persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic (PBT), or very persistent and very bioaccumulative (vPvB) at levels of 0.1% or higher.

### 12.6 Endocrine disrupting properties

#### Product:

Assessment

: The substance/mixture does not contain components considered to have endocrine disrupting properties according to REACH Article 57(f) or Commission Delegated regulation (EU) 2017/2100 or Commission



## 12.7 Other adverse effects

Herbicide

Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

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## SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

### 13.1 Waste treatment methods

No data available

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## SECTION 14: Transport information

### 14.1 UN number

ADR/RID: -

IMDG: -

IATA: -

### 14.2 UN proper shipping name

ADR/RID: Not dangerous goods

IMDG: Not dangerous goods

IATA: Not dangerous goods

### 14.3 Transport hazard class(es)

ADR/RID: -

IMDG: -

IATA: -

### 14.4 Packaging group

ADR/RID: -

IMDG: -

IATA: -

### 14.5 Environmental hazards

ADR/RID: no

IMDG Marine pollutant: no

IATA: no

### 14.6 Special precautions for user

No data available

#### Further information

Not classified as dangerous in the meaning of transport regulations.

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## SECTION 15: Regulatory information

### 15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

This material safety data sheet complies with the requirements of Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006.

#### Authorisations and/or restrictions on use

REACH - Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern for Authorisation (Article 59).

: disodium tetraborate decahydrate

REACH - Restrictions on the manufacture, placing on the market and use of certain dangerous substances, mixtures and articles (Annex XVII)

: disodium tetraborate decahydrate



### Other regulations

Observe work restrictions regarding maternity protection in accordance to Dir 92/85/EEC or stricter national regulations where applicable.

Take note of Dir 94/33/EC on the protection of young people at work.

### 15.2 Chemical Safety Assessment

A Chemical Safety Assessment has been carried out for this substance.

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## SECTION 16: Other information

### Full text of H-Statements referred to under sections 2 and 3.

H319 Causes serious eye irritation.  
H360FD May damage fertility. May damage the unborn child.

### Full text of other abbreviations

ADN - European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterways; ADR - Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road; AIIC - Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals; ASTM - American Society for the Testing of Materials; bw - Body weight; CMR - Carcinogen, Mutagen or Reproductive Toxicant; DIN - Standard of the German Institute for Standardisation; DSL - Domestic Substances List (Canada); ECx - Concentration associated with x% response; ELx - Loading rate associated with x% response; EmS - Emergency Schedule; ENCS - Existing and New Chemical Substances (Japan); ErCx - Concentration associated with x% growth rate response; GHS - Globally Harmonized System; GLP - Good Laboratory Practice; IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer; IATA - International Air Transport Association; IBC - International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk; IC50 - Half maximal inhibitory concentration; ICAO - International Civil Aviation Organization; IECSC - Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China; IMDG - International Maritime Dangerous Goods; IMO - International Maritime Organization; ISHL - Industrial Safety and Health Law (Japan); ISO - International Organisation for Standardization; KECI - Korea Existing Chemicals Inventory; LC50 - Lethal Concentration to 50 % of a test population; LD50 - Lethal Dose to 50% of a test population (Median Lethal Dose); MARPOL - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships; n.o.s. - Not Otherwise Specified; NO(A)EC - No Observed (Adverse) Effect Concentration; NO(A)EL - No Observed (Adverse) Effect Level; NOELR - No Observable Effect Loading Rate; NZIoC - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals; OECD - Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development; OPPTS - Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention; PBT - Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic substance; PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances; (Q)SAR - (Quantitative) Structure Activity Relationship; REACH - Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals; RID - Regulations concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail; SADT - Self-Accelerating Decomposition Temperature; SDS - Safety Data Sheet; TCSI - Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory; TECI - Thailand Existing Chemicals Inventory; TSCA - Toxic Substances Control Act (United States); UN - United Nations; UNRTDG - United Nations Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods; vPvB - Very Persistent and Very Bioaccumulative



**Further information**

The above information is believed to be correct but does not purport to be all inclusive and shall be used only as a guide. 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. It does not represent any guarantee of the properties of the product. Sigma-Aldrich Corporation and its Affiliates shall not be held liable for any damage resulting from handling or from contact with the above product. See [www.sigma-aldrich.com](http://www.sigma-aldrich.com) and/or the reverse side of invoice or packing slip for additional terms and conditions of sale.

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