

1. IDENTIFICATION

Product Name Disodium octaborate, tetrahydrate

Other Names Actibor; CHEMIEBOR 20; Disodium octaborate [CAS#12008-41-2]; DOT; ETIDOT-67; FertiBagra 21 Powder

Uses Agriculture (fertilizer); Wood articles; Flame-retardant agent.

Chemical Family No Data Available **Chemical Formula** Na2B8O13.4H2O

Chemical Name Disodium octaborate, tetrahydrate

Product Description No Data Available

Contact Details of the Supplier of this Safety Data Sheet

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Emergency Contact Details

For emergencies only; DO NOT contact these companies for general product advice.

Organisation	Location	Telephone
Poisons Information Centre	Westmead NSW	1800-251525 131126
Chemcall	Australia	1800-127406 +64-4-9179888
Chemcall	Malaysia	+64-4-9179888
Chemcall	New Zealand	0800-243622 +64-4-9179888
National Poisons Centre	New Zealand	0800-764766
CHEMTREC	USA & Canada	1-800-424-9300 CN723420 +1-703-527-3887

2. HAZARD IDENTIFICATION

Poisons Schedule (Aust) Not Scheduled

Globally Harmonised System

Auckland

London



Hazard Classification Hazardous according to the criteria of the Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of

Chemicals (GHS)

Hazard Categories Acute Toxicity (Oral) - Category 5

Toxic To Reproduction - Category 2

Pictograms



Signal Word Warning

May be harmful if swallowed. **Hazard Statements** H303

> H361d Suspected of damaging the unborn child.

Precautionary Statements Prevention P201 Obtain special instructions before use.

> P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.

P308 + P313 IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice. Response

> P312 Call a POISON CENTER or doctor if you feel unwell.

Storage P405 Store locked up.

P501 Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local / regional / national / Disposal

international regulations.

National Transport Commission (Australia)

Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road & Rail (ADG Code)

Dangerous Goods Classification NOT Dangerous Goods according to the criteria of the Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous

Goods by Road & Rail (ADG Code)

Environmental Protection Authority (New Zealand)

Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Amendment Act 2015

HSNO Classifications Health 6.4A Substances that are irritating to the eye

Hazards

6.8B Substances that are suspected human reproductive or developmental toxicants

Environmental 9.1D Substances that are slightly harmful to the aquatic environment or are otherwise

Hazards designed for biocidal action

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

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Chemical Entity	Formula	CAS Number	Proportion
Disodium octaborate, tetrahydrate	Na2B8O13.4H2O	12280-03-4	<=100 %

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Description of necessary measures according to routes of exposure

Swallowed IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Call a Poison Centre or doctor/physician for advice.

*If large amounts are swallowed (i.e. more than one teaspoon), contact a doctor or toxicity centre immediately.

IF IN EYES: Immediately flush eyes with running water for several minutes, holding eyelids open and occasionally Eye

lifting the upper and lower lids. Remove contact lenses if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing for at least 15

minutes. If eye irritation persists, get medical advice/attention.

Skin IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water. Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse. If skin

irritation occurs, get medical advice/attention.

Inhaled IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. If respiratory

symptoms persist, get medical advice/attention.

Advice to Doctor If exposed or concerned, get medical advice/attention. Treat symptomatically.

> *Observation only is required for adult ingestion of less than 4 grams of product. For ingestion in excess of 4 grams, maintain adequate kidney function and force fluids. Gastric lavage is recommended for symptomatic patients only. Haemodialysis should be reserved for massive acute ingestion or patients with renal failure. Boron analyses of urine or blood are only useful for documenting exposure and should not be used to evaluate severity of poisoning or to

quide treatment.

Medical Conditions Aggravated

by Exposure

No information available.

5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

General Measures Do not attempt to take action without suitable protective equipment. If safe to do so, move undamaged containers

from fire area. Cool containers with water spray until well after fire is out.

Flammability Conditions Not combustible.

*The product is itself a flame retardant.

Extinguishing Media If material is involved in a fire, use water spray, dry powder, foam. Any fire extinguishing media may be used on

nearby fires.

Fire and Explosion Hazard Reaction with strong reducing agents such as metal hydrides or alkali metals will generate hydrogen gas, which could

create an explosive hazard.

Hazardous Products of

Combustion

In case of fire, toxic fumes may be released.

Special Fire Fighting

Instructions

Contain runoff from fire control or dilution water - Runoff may cause pollution.

Personal Protective Equipment Wear positive pressure self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA). Structural firefighters' protective clothing will only

provide limited protection.

Flash Point No Data Available **Lower Explosion Limit** No Data Available **Upper Explosion Limit** No Data Available **Auto Ignition Temperature** No Data Available **Hazchem Code** No Data Available

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

General Response Procedure Ensure adequate ventilation. Do not touch or walk through spilled material. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing

dust and contact with eyes, skin and clothing.

Clean Up Procedures Mechanically recover the product. Vacuum, shovel or sweep up and place in containers for recovery or disposal (see

SECTION 13)

Containment Stop leak if you can do it without risk. Prevent dust cloud. Prevent entry into waterways, sewers, basements or

confined areas.

Decontamination

Environmental Precautionary

Measures

Prevent entry into drains and waterways. Notify authorities if product enters sewers or public waters.

Evacuation Criteria Spill or leak area should be isolated immediately. Keep unauthorised personnel away.

Personal Precautionary

Measures

Do not attempt to take action without suitable protective equipment. In case of exposure to high level of airborne

dust, wear a personal respirator (see SECTION 8).

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling Safety showers and eyewash facilities should be provided within the immediate work area for emergency use. Ensure

> adequate ventilation. Obtain special instructions before use - Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Minimise dust generation and accumulation. Avoid breathing dust and contact with eyes, skin

and clothing. Do not ingest. Use personal protective equipment as required (see SECTION 8).

Storage Store indoors, in a dry and well-ventilated place, out of direct sunlight. Keep container tightly closed and prevent any

accidental damage. Protect from moisture. Keep away from incompatible materials (see SECTION 10). Store locked

*To maintain package integrity and to minimise caking of the product, bags should be handled on a first-in first-out

basis.

Container Keep in the original container.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

General No specific exposure standards are available for this product. For dusts from solid substances without specific

occupational exposure standards:

Safe Work Australia Exposure Standard (Nuisance dusts): 8 hr TWA = 10 mg/m3 (measured as inhalable dust).

- New Zealand WES (Particulates not otherwise classified): TWA = 10 mg/m3; TWA = 3 mg/m3 (respirable dust).

Exposure Limits No Data Available

Biological Limits No information available.

Engineering Measures A system of local and/or general exhaust is recommended to keep employee exposures as low as possible. Local

exhaust ventilation is generally preferred because it can control the emissions of the contaminant at its source,

preventing dispersion of it into the general work area.

Personal Protection Equipment - Respiratory protection: Wear respiratory protection, in case of inadequate ventilation or prolonged exposure to dust.

Recommended: Dust mask/particulate respirator (refer to AS/NZS 1715 & 1716).

- Eye/face protection: Wear appropriate eye protection to avoid eye contact. Recommended: Safety glasses.

Goggles may be warranted if environment is excessively dusty.

- Hand protection: Wear protective gloves. Recommended: Impervious gloves.

- Skin/body protection: Wear appropriate personal protective clothing to avoid skin contact. Recommended:

Overalls, safety shoes.

Special Hazards Precaustions

No information available.

Work Hygienic Practices Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Always wash hands after handling the product. Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.

Routine housekeeping should be instituted to ensure that dusts do not accumulate on surfaces.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Physical State Solid **Appearance** Powder Odour Odourless Colour White

8.53 (1% solution) pН Vapour Pressure Negligible (@ 20 °C) **Relative Vapour Density** No Data Available **Boiling Point** No Data Available

815 °C **Melting Point**

Freezing Point No Data Available

9.7% in water @ 20 °C - 27.4% in water @ 40 °C Solubility

Specific Gravity No Data Available Flash Point No Data Available **Auto Ignition Temp** No Data Available **Evaporation Rate** No Data Available **Bulk Density** No Data Available **Corrosion Rate** No Data Available **Decomposition Temperature** No Data Available **Density** No Data Available **Specific Heat** No Data Available **Molecular Weight** 412.5 g/mol **Net Propellant Weight** No Data Available **Octanol Water Coefficient** No Data Available **Particle Size** No Data Available **Partition Coefficient** No Data Available Saturated Vapour Concentration No Data Available **Vapour Temperature** No Data Available No Data Available Viscosity Volatile Percent No Data Available **VOC Volume** No Data Available

Additional Characteristics No information available. **Potential for Dust Explosion** No information available. Fast or Intensely Burning No information available. Characteristics

Flame Propagation or Burning **Rate of Solid Materials**

No information available.

Non-Flammables That Could Contribute Unusual Hazards to a

No information available.

Fire

Properties That May Initiate or Contribute to Fire Intensity

Not combustible.

Reactions That Release Gases

*The product is itself a flame retardant.

or Vapours

In case of fire, toxic fumes may be released.

Release of Invisible Flammable Vapours and Gases

Reaction with strong reducing agents such as metal hydrides or alkali metals will generate hydrogen gas, which could

create an explosive hazard.

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

General Information The product is non-reactive under normal conditions of use, storage and transport.

Chemical Stability Stable under normal ambient and anticipated storage and handling conditions of temperature and pressure.

Conditions to Avoid Avoid dust formation. Avoid contact with incompatible materials.

Materials to Avoid Incompatible/reactive with strong reducing agents (such as metal hydrides), alkali metals.

Hazardous Decomposition

Products

Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous decomposition products should not be produced. In case of

fire, toxic fumes may be released.

*Reaction with strong reducing agents such as metal hydrides or alkali metals will generate hydrogen gas, which

could create an explosive hazard.

Hazardous Polymerisation No information available.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

General Information

- Acute toxicity: May be harmful if swallowed. Not intended for ingestion. Small amounts (i.e. less than one teaspoon) swallowed accidentally are not likely to cause effects; swallowing larger amounts may cause gastrointestinal symptoms. Symptoms of overexposure have been associated with ingestion or absorption through large areas of damaged skin. These may include nausea, vomiting and diarrhoea, with delayed effects of skin redness and peeling. Dermal exposure is not usually a concern because it is poorly absorbed through intact skin.
- Skin corrosion/irritation: Does not cause irritation to intact skin.
- Eye damage/irritation: Non-irritating to eyes in normal industrial use.
- Respiratory/skin sensitisation: Disodium octaborate, tetrahydrate is not a skin sensitiser.

- Germ cell mutagenicity: Disodium octaborate, tetrahydrate is not mutagenic.
- Carcinogenicity: Disodium octaborate, tetrahydrate is not carcinogenic.
- Reproductive toxicity: Suspected of damaging the unborn child.
- STOT (single exposure): Occasional mild irritation effects to nose and throat may occur from inhalation of high levels of dusts
- STOT (repeated exposure): No information available.
- Aspiration toxicity: Disodium octaborate, tetrahydrate has no aspiration hazard.

Acute

Ingestion Acute toxicity (Oral):

- LD50, Rats: 2,550 mg/kg bw. (Disodium octaborate).

Other Acute toxicity (Dermal):

- LD50, Rabbits: >2,000 mg/kg bw.

Reproduction

Animal feeding studies at high doses have demonstrated effects on fertility and testes. Studies in rat, mouse and rabbit, at high doses, demonstrate developmental effects on the foetus, including foetal weight loss and minor skeletal variations. The doses administered were many times in excess of those which humans would normally be exposed to. While boron has been shown to adversely affect male reproduction in laboratory animals, there is no clear evidence of male reproductive effects attributable to boron in studies of highly exposed workers. An epidemiology study under the conditions of normal occupational exposure to borate dusts indicated no effect on fertility. Human epidemiological studies show no increase in pulmonary disease in occupational populations with chronic exposures to borate dusts. A study conducted in Turkey with boron exposed mine workers showed that mean blood concentrations of the high exposure group is ~6 times and ~9 times lower than those of the highest no effect level of boron in blood with regard to developmental and reprotoxic effects (respectively) in rats. With those findings, no unfavourable effects of boron exposure on reproductive indicators are observed in humans.

Carcinogen Category None

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Persistence/Degradability

Ecotoxicity Aquatic toxicity:

- LC50, Fish (Pimephales promelas): 79.7 mg B/L or 380 mg Disodium octaborate, tetrahydrate/L (96 h). - LC50, Crustacea (Daphnia magna): 133 mg B/L or 635 mg Disodium octaborate, tetrahydrate/L (48 h).

- EC50, Algae (Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata), biomass: 40 mg B/L or 191 mg Disodium octaborate, tetrahydrate/L Boron is naturally occurring and ubiquitous in the environment. Disodium octaborate, tetrahydrate decomposes in the

(72 h).

environment to natural borate.

Mobility Disodium octaborate, tetrahydrate is soluble in water and is leachable through normal soil.

Environmental Fate Boron is an essential micronutrient for healthy growth of plants; however, it can be harmful to boron sensitive plants in higher quantities. Care should be taken to minimise the amount of borate product released to the environment.

Disodium octaborate, tetrahydrate should only be used as part of a balanced plant nutrition program preferably after

soil and/or tissue analysis.

Bioaccumulation Potential Not bioaccumulative. **Environmental Impact** No Data Available

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

General Information Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national regulations.

Special Precautions for Land Fill Small quantities of product can usually be disposed of at landfill sites. Tonnage quantities are not recommended to

be sent to landfills - such material should, if possible, be used for an appropriate application.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

Land Transport (Australia)

ADG Code

Proper Shipping Name Disodium octaborate, tetrahydrate

Class No Data Available Subsidiary Risk(s) No Data Available

No Data Available

UN Number No Data Available No Data Available Hazchem **Pack Group** No Data Available **Special Provision** No Data Available

Comments NON-DANGEROUS GOODS: Not regulated for LAND transport.

Land Transport (Malaysia)

ADR Code

Proper Shipping Name Disodium octaborate, tetrahydrate

Class No Data Available Subsidiary Risk(s) No Data Available

No Data Available

No Data Available **UN Number** No Data Available Hazchem **Pack Group** No Data Available **Special Provision** No Data Available

Comments NON-DANGEROUS GOODS: Not regulated for LAND transport.

Land Transport (New Zealand)

NZS5433

Proper Shipping Name Disodium octaborate, tetrahydrate

Class No Data Available Subsidiary Risk(s) No Data Available No Data Available

UN Number No Data Available Hazchem No Data Available **Pack Group** No Data Available **Special Provision** No Data Available

NON-DANGEROUS GOODS: Not regulated for LAND transport. Comments

Land Transport (United States of America)

US DOT

Disodium octaborate, tetrahydrate **Proper Shipping Name**

Class No Data Available Subsidiary Risk(s) No Data Available

No Data Available

UN Number No Data Available Hazchem No Data Available **Pack Group** No Data Available **Special Provision** No Data Available

Comments NON-DANGEROUS GOODS: Not regulated for LAND transport.

Sea Transport

IMDG Code

Proper Shipping Name Disodium octaborate, tetrahydrate

Class No Data Available

Subsidiary Risk(s)No Data AvailableUN NumberNo Data AvailableHazchemNo Data AvailablePack GroupNo Data AvailableSpecial ProvisionNo Data AvailableEMSNo Data Available

Marine Pollutant No

Comments NON-DANGEROUS GOODS: Not regulated for SEA transport.

Air Transport

IATA DGR

Proper Shipping Name Disodium octaborate, tetrahydrate

ClassNo Data AvailableSubsidiary Risk(s)No Data AvailableUN NumberNo Data AvailableHazchemNo Data AvailablePack GroupNo Data AvailableSpecial ProvisionNo Data Available

Comments NON-DANGEROUS GOODS: Not regulated for AIR transport.

National Transport Commission (Australia)

Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road & Rail (ADG Code)

Dangerous Goods Classification NOT Dangerous Goods according to the criteria of the Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous

Goods by Road & Rail (ADG Code)

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

General InformationNo Data AvailablePoisons Schedule (Aust)Not Scheduled

Environmental Protection Authority (New Zealand)

Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Amendment Act 2015

Approval Code HSR003137 (Reissued)

National/Regional Inventories

Australia (AIIC) Listed

Canada (DSL) Listed

Canada (NDSL) Not Determined

China (IECSC) Listed

Europe (EINECS) 215-540-4

Europe (REACh)Not Determined

Japan (ENCS/METI) Listed

Korea (KECI) 9312-3213

Malaysia (EHS Register) Not Determined

New Zealand (NZIoC) Listed

Philippines (PICCS) Listed

Switzerland (Giftliste 1) Not Determined

Switzerland (Inventory of Notified

Substances)

Not Determined

Taiwan (NCSR) Not Determined

USA (TSCA) Listed

16. OTHER INFORMATION

Related Product Codes MULTIB1000, MULTIB1001, MULTIB1002, MULTIB1003, MULTIB1004, MULTIB1005, MULTIB1006, MULTIB1007,

MULTIB1808, MULTIB1800, MULTIB1801, MULTIB1802, MULTIB1803, MULTIB1804, MULTIB1805, MULTIB1806, MULTIB1807, MULTIB2000, MULTIB2100, MULTIB2200, MULTIB2500, MULTIB2501, MULTIB2501, MULTIB2501, MULTIB2701, MULTIB

MULTIB7000, MULTIB7100, MULTIB8000, MULTIB8010

Revision 5

AICS Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances

atm Atmosphere

CAS Chemical Abstracts Service (Registry Number)

cm² Square Centimetres CO2 Carbon Dioxide

COD Chemical Oxygen Demand **deg C (°C)** Degrees Celcius

EPA (New Zealand) Environmental Protection Authority of New Zealand

deg F (°F) Degrees Farenheit

g Grams

g/cm³ Grams per Cubic Centimetre

g/I Grams per Litre

HSNO Hazardous Substance and New Organism IDLH Immediately Dangerous to Life and Health immiscible Liquids are insoluable in each other.

inHg Inch of Mercury inH2O Inch of Water

K Kelvin **kg** Kilogram

kg/m³ Kilograms per Cubic Metre

Ib Pound

LC50 LC stands for lethal concentration. LC50 is the concentration of a material in air which causes the death of 50% (one half) of a group of test animals. The material is inhaled over a set period of time, usually 1 or 4 hours.

LD50 LD stands for Lethal Dose. LD50 is the amount of a material, given all at once, which causes the death of 50% (one half) of a group of test animals.

Itr or L Litre

m³ Cubic Metre

mbar Millibar

mg Milligram

mg/24H Milligrams per 24 Hours mg/kg Milligrams per Kilogram mg/m³ Milligrams per Cubic Metre

Misc or Miscible Liquids form one homogeneous liquid phase regardless of the amount of either component

present. **mm** Millimetre

mmH2O Millimetres of Water

mPa.s Millipascals per Second

N/A Not Applicable

NIOSH National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health NOHSC National Occupational Heath and Safety Commission **OECD** Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development

Oz Ounce

PEL Permissible Exposure Limit

Pa Pascal

ppb Parts per Billion ppm Parts per Million

ppm/2h Parts per Million per 2 Hours **ppm/6h** Parts per Million per 6 Hours

psi Pounds per Square Inch

R Rankine

RCP Reciprocal Calculation Procedure

STEL Short Term Exposure Limit

TLV Threshold Limit Value

tne Tonne

TWA Time Weighted Average ug/24H Micrograms per 24 Hours

UN United Nations

wt Weight