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SECTION 1: Identification

1.1. Product Identifier

Trade Name or Designation: Boric Acid, ACS Reagent Grade

Product Number: RDCB0500

Other Identifying Product Numbers: RDCB0500-1000B1, RDCB0500-100B1, RDCB0500-2.5A5, RDCB0500-500B1

1.2. Recommended Use and Restrictions on Use

General Laboratory Reagent

1.3. Details of the Supplier of the Safety Data Sheet

Company: Ricca Chemical Company

Address: 448 West Fork Drive
Arlington, TX 76012 USA

Telephone: 888-467-4222

1.4. Emergency Telephone Number (24 hours)

CHEMTREC (USA) 800-424-9300
CHEMTREC (International) 1+ 703-527-3887

SECTION 2: Hazard(s) Identification

2.1. Classification of the Substance or Mixture (in accordance with OSHA HCS 29 CFR 1910.1200)

For the full text of the Hazard and Precautionary Statements listed below, see Section 16.

Hazard Class	Category	Hazard Statement	Precautionary Statements
Skin Corrosion / Irritation	Category 2	H315	P264, P280, P302+P352, P321, P332+P313, P362
Eye Damage / Irritation	Category 2A	H319	P264, P280, P305+P351+P338, P337+P313
Reproductive Toxicity	Category 1	H360	P201, P202, P280, P308+P313, P405, P501
Specific Target Organs/Systemic Toxicity Following Single Exposure	Category 1	H370	P260, P264, P270, P307+P311, P321, P405, P501
Specific Target Organs/Systemic Toxicity Following Repeated Exposure	Category 1	H372	P260, P264, P270, P314, P501
Hazardous to the Aquatic Environment (Chronic)	Category 4	H413	P273, P501

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2.2. GHS Label Elements

Pictograms:



Signal Word: **Danger**

Hazard Statements:

Hazard Number	Hazard Statement
H315	Causes skin irritation.
H319	Causes serious eye irritation.
H360	May damage fertility or the unborn child.
H370	Causes damage to organs.
H372	Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.
H413	May cause long lasting harmful effects to aquatic life.

Precautionary Statements:

Precautionary Number:	Precautionary Number:
P201	Obtain special instructions before use.
P202	Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.
P260	Do not breathe dust/fumes.
P264	Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling.
P270	Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
P273	Avoid release to the environment.
P280	Wear protective gloves and eye protection.
P302+P352	IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.
P305+P351+P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
P307+P311	IF exposed: Call a POISON CENTER or physician.
P308+P313	IF exposed or concerned: Get medical attention.
P314	Get medical attention if you feel unwell.
P321	Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water).
P332+P313	If skin irritation occurs: Get medical attention.
P337+P313	If eye irritation persists: Get medical attention.
P362	Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.
P405	Store locked up.
P501	Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.



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2.3. WHMIS Classification

WHMIS classification is not included based on the recommended option (Option 4) found in the Canada Gazette Part II, Vol. 149, No.3, page 458

2.4. Hazards not Otherwise Classified or Covered by GHS

Data not available.

SECTION 3: Composition / Information on Ingredients

3.1. Components of Substance or Mixture

Chemical Name	Formula	Molecular Weight	CAS Number	Weight%
Boric Acid	H ₃ BO ₃	61.83 g/mol	10043-35-3	100.00%

SECTION 4: First-Aid Measures

4.1. General First Aid Information

Eye Contact: IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. May cause irritation, redness, pain, and tearing.

Inhalation: Not expected to require first aid. If necessary, remove to fresh air.

Skin Contact: IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water. May cause irritation. Effects may be similar to inhalation and ingestion. May cause dermatitis.

Ingestion: Induce vomiting immediately as directed by medical personnel. Call a physician immediately.

4.2. Most Important Symptoms and Effects, Acute and Delayed

WARNING! Harmful if swallowed or inhaled. Causes irritation to the eyes, skin and respiratory tract. Affects the central nervous system, liver and kidneys. EYE CONTACT: May cause irritation, redness, pain, and tearing. SKIN CONTACT: May cause irritation. Effects may be similar to inhalation and ingestion. May cause dermatitis. CHRONIC EFFECTS / CARCINOGENICITY: Chronic exposure may affect kidneys and liver.

4.3. Medical Attention or Special Treatment Needed

Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water).

SECTION 5: Fire-Fighting Measures

5.1. Extinguishing Media

Use any means suitable for extinguishing surrounding fire.

5.2. Specific Hazards Arising from the Substance or Mixture

Not considered to be a fire hazard. A mixture of potassium and boric acid may explode on impact.



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5.3. Special Protective Equipment for Firefighters

Use protective clothing and breathing equipment appropriate for the surrounding fire.

SECTION 6: Accidental Release Measures

6.1. Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment and Emergency Procedures

Wear protective gloves and eye protection.

6.2. Cleanup and Containment Methods and Materials

Pick up in a manner that does not generate dust. Powder may be moistened with water to aid in the clean-up.

SECTION 7: Handling and Storage

7.1. Precautions for Safe Handling and Storage Conditions

Store locked up. As with all chemicals, wash hands thoroughly after handling. Avoid contact with eyes and skin. Protect from freezing and physical damage.

SECTION 8: Exposure Controls / Personal Protection

Control Parameters

Chemical Name	Limit Type	Country	Exposure Limit	Information Source
Boric Acid (10043-35-3)	TLV-STEL	USA	6 mg/m ³ STEL (inhalable fraction, listed under Borate compounds, inorganic)	ACGIH - Threshold Limit Values - Short Term Exposure Limits (TLV-STEL)
Boric Acid (10043-35-3)	TLV-STEL	USA	6 mg/m ³ STEL (inhalable fraction)	ACGIH - Threshold Limit Values - Short Term Exposure Limits (TLV-STEL)
Boric Acid (10043-35-3)	TLV-TWA	USA	2 mg/m ³ TWA (inhalable fraction, listed under Borate compounds, inorganic)	ACGIH - Threshold Limit Values - Time Weighted Averages (TLV-TWA)
Boric Acid (10043-35-3)	TLV-TWA	USA	2 mg/m ³ TWA (inhalable fraction)	ACGIH - Threshold Limit Values - Time Weighted Averages (TLV-TWA)

8.2. Exposure Controls

Engineering Controls: No specific controls are needed. Normal room ventilation is adequate.

Respiratory Protection: A system of local or general exhaust is recommended to keep exposure levels below the Airborne Exposure Limits. If necessary, wear a dust mask respirator to minimize exposure to dust particles.

Skin Protection: Wear protective gloves and eye protection. Chemical resistant gloves.

Eye Protection: Wear protective gloves and eye protection. Safety glasses or goggles.

8.3. Personal Protective Equipment

Wear protective gloves and eye protection. A system of local or general exhaust is recommended to keep exposure levels below the Airborne Exposure Limits. If necessary, wear a dust mask respirator to minimize exposure to dust particles. Chemical resistant gloves. Safety glasses or goggles.



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SECTION 9: Physical and Chemical Properties

9.1. Basic Physical and Chemical Properties

Appearance: Colorless/white solid

Physical State: Solid

Odor: Odorless

Odor Threshold: Data not available.

pH: 5.1 (0.1 Molar)

Melting/Freezing Point: 168 - 170°C

Initial Boiling Point/Range: 300°C - 300°C

Flash Point: Data not available.

Evaporation Rate: Data not available.

Flammability: Data not available.

Flammability/Explosive Limits: Data not available.

Vapor Pressure: Data not available.

Vapor Density: Data not available.

Relative Density: 1.44

Solubility: 47200 Mg/L at 20°C

Partition Coefficient: -0.757 at 25 °C

Auto-Ignition Temperature: Data not available.

Decomposition Temperature: Data not available.

Viscosity: Data not available.

Explosive Properties: Data not available.

Oxidizing Properties: Data not available.

SECTION 10: Stability and Reactivity

10.1. Reactivity and Chemical Stability

Stable under normal conditions of use and storage.

10.2. Possibility of Hazardous Reactions

Data not available.

10.3. Conditions to Avoid and Incompatible Materials

Potassium, acetic anhydride, alkalis, carbonates, and hydroxides.

10.4. Hazardous Decomposition Products

Will not occur.



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SECTION 11: Toxicological Information

11.1. Information on Toxicological Effects

Acute Toxicity - Oral Exposure:

Not applicable.

Acute Toxicity - Dermal Exposure:

Not applicable.

Acute Toxicity - Inhalation Exposure:

Not applicable.

Acute Toxicity - Other Information:

LD50, Oral, Rat: (Boric Acid) 2660 mg/kg, details of toxic effects not reported other than lethal dose value; LdLo, Oral, Woman: 200 mg/kg (Boric Acid), behavioral and gastrointestinal effects noted. Investigated as a mutagen, tumorigen, reproductive effector.

Skin Corrosion and Irritation:

Causes skin irritation. Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling. Wear protective gloves and eye protection. IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water. Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water). If skin irritation occurs: Get medical attention. Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.

Serious Eye Damage and Irritation:

Causes serious eye irritation. Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling. Wear protective gloves and eye protection. 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 attention.

Respiratory Sensitization:

Not applicable.

Skin Sensitization:

Not applicable.

Germ Cell Mutagenicity:

Not applicable.

Carcinogenicity:

Not applicable.

Reproductive Toxicity:

May damage fertility or the unborn child. Obtain special instructions before use. Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Wear protective gloves and eye protection. IF exposed or concerned: Get medical attention. Store locked up. Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

Specific Target Organ Toxicity from Single Exposure:

Causes damage to organs. Do not breathe dust/fumes. Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. IF exposed: Call a POISON CENTER or physician. Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water). Store locked up. Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.



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Specific Target Organ Toxicity from Repeated Exposure:

Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure. Do not breathe dust/fumes. Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Get medical attention if you feel unwell. Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

Aspiration Hazard:

Not applicable.

Additional Toxicology Information:

Data not available.

SECTION 12: Ecological Information

12.1. Ecotoxicity

May cause long lasting harmful effects to aquatic life. Avoid release to the environment. Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

12.2. Persistence and Degradability

Data not available.

12.3. Bioaccumulative Potential

Data not available.

12.4. Mobility in Soil

Data not available.

12.5. Other Adverse Ecological Effects

Data not available.

SECTION 13: Disposal Considerations

13.1. Waste Treatment Methods

Data not available.



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SECTION 14: Transportation Information

14.1. Transportation by Land-Department of Transportation (DOT, United States of America)

Not regulated according to DOT Regulations.

SECTION 15: Regulatory Information

15.1. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Hazards

Not listed.

15.2. Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) 302 Extremely Hazardous Substances

Not listed.

15.3. Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) 311/312 Hazardous Chemicals

Not listed.

15.4. Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) 313 Toxic Release Inventory (TRI)

Not listed.

15.5. Massachusetts Right-to-Know Substance List

Not listed.

15.6. Pennsylvania Right-to-Know Hazardous Substances

Not listed.

15.7. New Jersey Worker and Community Right-to-Know Components

Boric Acid (CAS # 10043-35-3): sn 0240

15.8. California Proposition 65

Not listed.

15.9. Canada Domestic Substances List / Non-Domestic Substances List (DSL/NDSL)

Boric Acid (CAS # 10043-35-3): Present (DSL)



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15.10. United States of America Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) List

Boric Acid (CAS # 10043-35-3): Present

15.11. European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances (EINECS), European List of Notified Chemical Substances (ELINCS), and No Longer Polymers (NLP)

Not listed.

SECTION 16: Other Information

16.1. Full Text of Hazard Statements and Precautionary Statements

Causes skin irritation. Causes serious eye irritation. May damage fertility or the unborn child. Causes damage to organs. Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure. May cause long lasting harmful effects to aquatic life.

Obtain special instructions before use. Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Do not breathe dust/fumes. Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Avoid release to the environment. Wear protective gloves and eye protection.

IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water. IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. IF exposed: Call a POISON CENTER or physician. Get medical attention if you feel unwell. Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water). If skin irritation occurs: Get medical attention. If eye irritation persists: Get medical attention. Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.

Store locked up.

Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

16.2. Miscellaneous Hazard Classes

Canadian Carcinogenicity Hazard Class: Not Applicable.

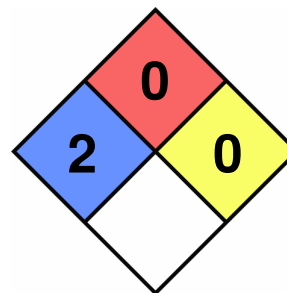
Physical Hazards Not Otherwise Classified (PHNOC): Not Applicable.

Health Hazards Not Otherwise Classified (HHNOC): Not Applicable.

Biohazardous Infectious Materials Hazard Class: Not Applicable.

16.3. National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Rating

Health: 2
Flammability: 0
Reactivity: 0
Special Hazard:





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16.4. Document Revision

Last Revision Date: 5/1/2015

DISCLAIMER

When handled properly by qualified personnel, the product described herein does not present a significant health or safety hazard. Alteration of its characteristics by concentration, evaporation, addition of other substances, or other means may present hazards not specifically addressed herein and which must be evaluated by the user. The information furnished herein is believed to be accurate and represents the best data currently available to us. No warranty, expressed or implied, is made and RICCA CHEMICAL COMPANY assumes no legal responsibility or liability whatsoever resulting from its use.