

# Material Safety Data Sheet

## Sodium Tetraborate Decahydrate, P.A.

ACC# 95269

### Section 1 - Chemical Product and Company Identification

**MSDS Name:** Sodium Tetraborate Decahydrate, P.A.

**Catalog Numbers:** AC205950000, AC205950010

**Synonyms:** Borax; Sodium Borate Decahydrate

**Company Identification:**

Acros Organics N.V.

One Reagent Lane

Fair Lawn, NJ 07410

**For information in North America, call:** 800-ACROS-01

**For emergencies in the US, call CHEMTREC:** 800-424-9300

### Section 2 - Composition, Information on Ingredients

CAS#	Chemical Name	Percent	EINECS/ELINCS
1303-96-4	Sodium Tetraborate Decahydrate	ca. 100	unlisted

**Hazard Symbols:** None listed.

**Risk Phrases:** None listed.

### Section 3 - Hazards Identification

#### EMERGENCY OVERVIEW

Appearance: white solid. May cause irritation. May cause eye and skin irritation. May cause respiratory and digestive tract irritation.

**Warning!** May cause adverse reproductive effects based upon animal studies.

**Target Organs:** None known.

#### Potential Health Effects

**Eye:** May cause eye irritation.

**Skin:** May cause skin irritation.

**Ingestion:** May cause irritation of the digestive tract. Human fatalities have been reported from acute poisoning.

**Inhalation:** May cause respiratory tract irritation.

**Chronic:** No information found.

### Section 4 - First Aid Measures

**Eyes:** Flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes, occasionally lifting the upper and lower eyelids. Get medical aid.

**Skin:** Flush skin with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes while removing contaminated clothing and shoes. Get medical aid if irritation develops or persists. Wash clothing before reuse.

**Ingestion:** Get medical aid. Do NOT induce vomiting. If conscious and alert, rinse mouth and drink 2-4 cupfuls of milk or water. Wash mouth out with water.

**Inhalation:** Remove from exposure and move to fresh air immediately. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical aid if cough or other symptoms appear. Get medical aid.

**Notes to Physician:** Treat symptomatically and supportively.

### Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures

**General Information:** As in any fire, wear a self-contained breathing apparatus in pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent), and full protective gear. During a fire, irritating and highly toxic gases may be generated by thermal decomposition or combustion.

**Extinguishing Media:** Use agent most appropriate to extinguish fire. Use water spray, dry chemical, carbon dioxide, or appropriate foam.

**Flash Point:** Not available.

**Autoignition Temperature:** Not available.

**Explosion Limits, Lower:** Not available.

**Upper:** Not available.

**NFPA Rating:** (estimated) Health: 2; Flammability: 0; Instability: 0

### Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures

**General Information:** Use proper personal protective equipment as indicated in Section 8.

**Spills/Leaks:** Vacuum or sweep up material and place into a suitable disposal container. Clean up spills immediately, observing precautions in the Protective Equipment section. Avoid generating dusty conditions. Provide ventilation.

### Section 7 - Handling and Storage

**Handling:** Wash thoroughly after handling. Use with adequate ventilation. Minimize dust generation and accumulation. Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Do not breathe dust, vapor, mist, or gas. Keep container tightly closed. Avoid ingestion and inhalation.  
**Storage:** Store in a tightly closed container. Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area away from incompatible substances.

## Section 8 - Exposure Controls, Personal Protection

**Engineering Controls:** Facilities storing or utilizing this material should be equipped with an eyewash facility and a safety shower. Use adequate ventilation to keep airborne concentrations low.

### Exposure Limits

Chemical Name	ACGIH	NIOSH	OSHA - Final PELs
Sodium Tetraborate Decahydrate	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA	none listed

**OSHA Vacated PELs:** Sodium Tetraborate Decahydrate: 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup> TWA

### Personal Protective Equipment

**Eyes:** Wear appropriate protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles as described by OSHA's eye and face protection regulations in 29 CFR 1910.133 or European Standard EN166.

**Skin:** Wear appropriate protective gloves to prevent skin exposure.

**Clothing:** Wear appropriate protective clothing to prevent skin exposure.

**Respirators:** A respiratory protection program that meets OSHA's 29 CFR 1910.134 and ANSI Z88.2 requirements or European Standard EN 149 must be followed whenever workplace conditions warrant a respirator's use.

## Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties

**Physical State:** Solid

**Appearance:** white

**Odor:** Not available.

**pH:** Not available.

**Vapor Pressure:** Not available.

**Vapor Density:** Not available.

**Evaporation Rate:** Not available.

**Viscosity:** Not available.

**Boiling Point:** 1575 deg C @ 760.00mm Hg

**Freezing/Melting Point:** 320 deg C

**Decomposition Temperature:** Not available.

**Solubility:** soluble

**Specific Gravity/Density:** 1.7300g/cm<sup>3</sup>

**Molecular Formula:** B<sub>4</sub>Na<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>·10H<sub>2</sub>O

**Molecular Weight:** 381.36

## Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

**Chemical Stability:** Stable at room temperature in closed containers under normal storage and handling conditions.

**Conditions to Avoid:** Incompatible materials, dust generation, excess heat.

**Incompatibilities with Other Materials:** Strong oxidizing agents, strong acids.

**Hazardous Decomposition Products:** Irritating and toxic fumes and gases, oxides of boron.

**Hazardous Polymerization:** Will not occur.

## Section 11 - Toxicological Information

### RTECS#:

CAS# 1303-96-4: VZ2275000

### LD50/LC50:

CAS# 1303-96-4:

Oral, mouse: LD50 = 2 gm/kg;

Oral, rat: LD50 = 2660 mg/kg;

### Carcinogenicity:

CAS# 1303-96-4: Not listed by ACGIH, IARC, NIOSH, NTP, or OSHA.

**Epidemiology:** No information available.

**Teratogenicity:** No information available.

**Reproductive Effects:** No information available.

**Neurotoxicity:** No information available.

**Mutagenicity:** No information available.

**Other Studies:** See actual entry in RTECS for complete information.

## Section 12 - Ecological Information

No information available.

## Section 13 - Disposal Considerations

Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. US EPA guidelines for the classification determination are listed in 40 CFR Parts 261.3. Additionally, waste generators must consult state and local hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

**RCRA P-Series:** None listed.

**RCRA U-Series:** None listed.

## Section 14 - Transport Information

	US DOT	IATA	RID/ADR	IMO	Canada TDG
<b>Shipping Name:</b>	No information available.				No information available.
<b>Hazard Class:</b>					
<b>UN Number:</b>					
<b>Packing Group:</b>					

## Section 15 - Regulatory Information

### US FEDERAL

#### TSCA

CAS# 1303-96-4 is listed on the TSCA inventory.

#### Health & Safety Reporting List

None of the chemicals are on the Health & Safety Reporting List.

#### Chemical Test Rules

None of the chemicals in this product are under a Chemical Test Rule.

#### Section 12b

None of the chemicals are listed under TSCA Section 12b.

#### TSCA Significant New Use Rule

None of the chemicals in this material have a SNUR under TSCA.

#### SARA

#### CERCLA Hazardous Substances and corresponding RQs

None of the chemicals in this material have an RQ.

#### SARA Section 302 Extremely Hazardous Substances

None of the chemicals in this product have a TPQ.

#### SARA Codes

CAS # 1303-96-4: chronic.

#### Section 313

No chemicals are reportable under Section 313.

#### Clean Air Act:

This material does not contain any hazardous air pollutants. This material does not contain any Class 1 Ozone depleters. This material does not contain any Class 2 Ozone depleters.

#### Clean Water Act:

None of the chemicals in this product are listed as Hazardous Substances under the CWA. None of the chemicals in this product are listed as Priority Pollutants under the CWA. None of the chemicals in this product are listed as Toxic Pollutants under the CWA.

#### OSHA:

None of the chemicals in this product are considered highly hazardous by OSHA.

#### STATE

CAS# 1303-96-4 can be found on the following state right to know lists: California, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Minnesota, Massachusetts.

California No Significant Risk Level: None of the chemicals in this product are listed.

### European/International Regulations

#### European Labeling in Accordance with EC Directives

##### Hazard Symbols:

Not available.

##### Risk Phrases:

##### Safety Phrases:

S 24/25 Avoid contact with skin and eyes.

S 37 Wear suitable gloves.

S 45 In case of accident or if you feel unwell, seek medical advice immediately (show the label where possible).

S 28A After contact with skin, wash immediately with plenty of water.

#### WGK (Water Danger/Protection)

CAS# 1303-96-4: 1

#### Canada - DSL/NDSL

CAS# 1303-96-4 is listed on Canada's DSL List.

#### Canada - WHMIS

This product has a WHMIS classification of D2A.

#### Canadian Ingredient Disclosure List

CAS# 1303-96-4 is listed on the Canadian Ingredient Disclosure List.

#### Exposure Limits

CAS# 1303-96-4: OEL-AUSTRALIA:TWA 5 mg/m<sup>3</sup> OEL-BELGIUM:TWA 5 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

OEL-DENMARK:TWA 5 ma/m<sup>3</sup> OEL-FRANCE:TWA 5 ma/m<sup>3</sup> OEL-THE NETHERLANDS:T

WA 5 mg/m<sup>3</sup> OEL-SWEDEN:TWA 2 mg/m<sup>3</sup>;STEL 5 mg/m<sup>3</sup>;Skin OEL-SWITZERLAND:  
TWA 5 mg/m<sup>3</sup> OEL-UNITED KINGDOM:TWA 5 mg/m<sup>3</sup> OEL IN BULGARIA, COLOMBIA  
, JORDAN, KOREA check ACGIH TLV OEL IN NEW ZEALAND, SINGAPORE, VIETNA  
M check ACGI TLV

## Section 16 - Additional Information

**MSDS Creation Date:** 7/06/1999

**Revision #3 Date:** 3/18/2003

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