



## 8: EXPOSURE CONTROL/PERSONAL PROTECTION

**Engineering Measures:** Use local exhaust ventilation to keep airborne concentrations of dust below permissible exposure limits. Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

**General Protection:** Avoid contact with eyes and skin. After use and before eating, drinking and smoking, wash hands, arms and face thoroughly with soap and water. After each day's use, wash gloves and contaminated clothing.

**Personal Protection:** Follow all precautions and instructions on the label. In all other cases the following recommendations would apply.

**Respiratory Protection:** Wear protective masks (class FFP3) for long exposures and high concentration levels.

**Skin Protection:** Wear suitable protective working clothing including long sleeved shirt, long pants, gloves, shoes and socks to avoid skin contact. Any clothing or other absorbent material which has been drenched or heavily contaminated must be discarded.

**Hand Protection:** Chemical-resistant gloves made of any waterproof material such as barrier laminate, butyl rubber, nitrile rubber, neoprene rubber, natural rubber, polyvinyl chloride (PVC) or Viton.

**Eye Protection:** Wear safety glasses with side shields or goggles for eyes protection should be used. Safety showers and eyewash should be easily available.

## 9: PHYSICAL/CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

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| <b>Appearance:</b> Suspension              | <b>Colour:</b> Light brown   | <b>pH at 20°C:</b> 7.6                         | <b>Odour:</b> Odourless | <b>Density [g/cc]:</b> 1.56 |
| <b>Solubility in Water:</b> Not determined | <b>Physical State:</b> Solid | <b>Freezing Point:</b> Liquid stable till 0°C. |                         |                             |

## 10: STABILITY & REACTIVITY

**Stability:** Stable under normal circumstances. **Material to Avoid:** Strong reducing agents. **Hazardous Decomp. Products:** None known

**Conditions to Avoid:** High air humidity. Sunlight exposure. Temperatures under - 5°C and over 40°C .

**Hazardous Reactions:** Reaction with strong reducing agents such as metal hydrides and alkali metals, generates hydrogen gas which may cause a danger of explosion

## 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

According to currently available data, this product has not yet produced health damages. Anyway, it must be handled carefully according to good industrial practices. This substance may have slight health effects on sensitive people, by inhalation and/or contact with eyes and/or ingestion

**Means of Exposure:** Ingestion, inhalation and through not intact skin.

**Corrosiveness/ Irritant Properties:** Slightly irritant to eyes and first respiratory system

**Acute Toxicity:** Ingestion: Low acute oral toxicity; The ingestion can provoke disturbs to the health, that they comprise abdominal pains with sting, nausea and vomit.

Inhalation: Low acute inhalation toxicity; inhalation of vapors causes irritation of upper and lower respiratory tract with coughing and difficulty in breathing; at higher concentrations can also cause pulmonary edema.

Eye irritation: Contact with eyes can cause irritation.

Skin irritation: Contact with skin can cause irritation.

**Chronic Toxicity:** No evidence found

**Carcinogenicity:** No evidence found

**Sensitising Properties:** Potassium Tetraborate is not a skin sensitiser

## 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Acute Aquatic Toxicity:** Toxicity is pH dependent and based on the release of Zn ions.

| pH range | EC50 Value [mg Zn/L] |
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| pH < 7 | 0.83 - Ceriodaphnia dubia (48h) |
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| pH >7 - 8.5 | 0.27 - Selenastrum capricornutum (72h) |
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**Persistence and Degradability:** Biodegradation is not an applicable endpoint since the product is an inorganic substance.

**Bioaccumulative Potential:** There is no bioaccumulation.

**Mobility in Soil:** Nutrient for species vegetables. The product is soluble in water and is leachable through normal soil with water.

## 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATION

Dispose in accordance with applicable local regulations. Not disperse in city drain or water course. Small quantities can usually be disposed of at landfill sites. No special disposal treatment is required. Tonnage quantities of product are not recommended to be sent to landfills.

## 14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION

This product is not regulated for transport.

## 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION

**Hazard Symbols:** Not required

**Hazard Statement:** H412: Harmful to aquatic life with long-lasting effects.

## 16: OTHER INFORMATION

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