SAFETY DATA SHEET

SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

Product Name: Boron Metal

Product Number: All applicable American Elements product codes, e.g. BO-E-02, BO-E-03, BO-E-04, BO-E-05

CAS #: 7440-42-8

Relevant identified uses of the substance: Scientific research and development

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SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Classification of the substance or mixture
Classification according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008
GHS07
Acute Tox. 4 H302 Harmful if swallowed.
Classification according to Directive 67/548/EEC or Directive 1999/45/EC
Xn; Harmful
R22: Harmful if swallowed.
Information concerning particular hazards for human and environment:
N/A
Hazard pictograms

GHS07
Signal word
Warning
Hazard statements
H302 Harmful if swallowed.
Precautionary statements
P264 Wash thoroughly after handling.
P270 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
P301+P312 IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER/doctor/.../if you feel unwell.
P330 Rinse mouth.
P501 Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/
national/international regulations.
WHMIS classification
Not controlled
Classification system
HMIS ratings (scale 0-4)
(Hazardous Materials Identification System)
HEALTH
FIRE
REACTIVITY
1
0
0
Health (acute effects) = 1
Flammability = 0
Physical Hazard = 0
Other hazards
Results of PBT and vPvB assessment
PBT:
N/A
vPvB:
N/A

SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS
Substances
CAS No. / Substance Name:
7440-42-8 Boron
Identification number(s):
EC number:
231-151-2

SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES
Description of first aid measures
If inhaled:
Supply patient with fresh air. If not breathing, provide artificial respiration. Keep patient warm.
Seek immediate medical advice.
In case of skin contact:
Immediately wash with soap and water; rinse thoroughly.
Seek immediate medical advice.
In case of eye contact:
Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. Consult a physician.
If swallowed:
Seek medical treatment.
Information for doctor
Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed
No data available
Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed
No data available

SECTION 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

Extinguishing media
Suitable extinguishing agents
Special powder for metal fires. Do not use water.
For safety reasons unsuitable extinguishing agents
Water
Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture
If this product is involved in a fire, the following can be released:
Boron oxide
Advice for firefighters
Protective equipment:
Wear self-contained respirator.
Wear fully protective impervious suit.

SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures
Use personal protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.
Ensure adequate ventilation
Environmental precautions:
Do not allow material to be released to the environment without official permits.
Do not allow product to enter drains, sewage systems, or other water courses.
Do not allow material to penetrate the ground or soil.
Methods and materials for containment and cleanup:
Dispose of contaminated material as waste according to section 13.
Prevention of secondary hazards:
No special measures required.
Reference to other sections
See Section 7 for information on safe handling
See Section 8 for information on personal protection equipment.
See Section 13 for disposal information.

SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling
Precautions for safe handling
Keep container tightly sealed.
Store in cool, dry place in tightly closed containers.
Ensure good ventilation at the workplace.
Information about protection against explosions and fires:
SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Additional information about design of technical systems:
Properly operating chemical fume hood designed for hazardous chemicals and having an average face velocity of at least 100 feet per minute.

Control parameters
Components with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace:
None.

Additional information:
No data

Exposure controls
Personal protective equipment
Follow typical protective and hygienic practices for handling chemicals.
Keep away from foodstuffs, beverages and feed.
Remove all soiled and contaminated clothing immediately.
Wash hands before breaks and at the end of work.
Maintain an ergonomically appropriate working environment.

Breathing equipment:
Use suitable respirator when high concentrations are present.

Protection of hands:
Impervious gloves
Inspect gloves prior to use.
Suitability of gloves should be determined both by material and quality, the latter of which may vary by manufacturer.
Penetration time of glove material (in minutes)
No data available

Eye protection:
Safety glasses

Body protection:
Protective work clothing

SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance:
Form: Solid in various forms
Color: Dark grey
Odor: Odorless  
Odor threshold: No data available.  

pH: N/A  
Melting point/Melting range: 2075 °C (3767 °F)  
Boiling point/Boiling range: 2550 °C (4622 °F)  
Sublimation temperature / start: No data available  
Flammability (solid, gas)  
No data available.  
Ignition temperature: 700 °C (1292 °F)  
Decomposition temperature: No data available  
Autoignition: No data available.  
Danger of explosion: No data available.  
Explosion limits:  
Lower: No data available  
Upper: No data available  
Vapor pressure: N/A  
Density at 20 °C (68 °F): 2.34 g/cm³ (19.527 lbs/gal)  
Relative density  
No data available.  
Vapor density  
N/A  
Evaporation rate  
N/A  
Solubility in Water (H₂O): Insoluble  
Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water): No data available.  
Viscosity:  
Dynamic: N/A  
Kinematic: N/A  
Other information  
No data available  

SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY  

Reactivity  
No data available  
Chemical stability  
Stable under recommended storage conditions.  
Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:  
Decomposition will not occur if used and stored according to specifications.  
Possibility of hazardous reactions  
No dangerous reactions known  
Conditions to avoid  
No data available  
Incompatible materials:  
Oxidizing agents  
Halogens  
Interhalogens  
Hazardous decomposition products:  
Boron oxide
SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Information on toxicological effects
Acute toxicity:
Harmful if swallowed.
The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) contains acute toxicity data for components in this product.
LD/LC50 values that are relevant for classification:
Oral LD50 650 mg/kg (rat)
Skin irritation or corrosion:
May cause irritation
Eye irritation or corrosion:
May cause irritation
Sensitization:
No sensitizing effects known.
Germ cell mutagenicity:
No effects known.
Carcinogenicity:
EPA-I: Data are inadequate for an assessment of human carcinogenic potential.
Reproductive toxicity:
The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) contains reproductive data for this substance.
Specific target organ system toxicity - repeated exposure:
No effects known.
Specific target organ system toxicity - single exposure:
No effects known.
Aspiration hazard:
No effects known.
Subacute to chronic toxicity:
No effects known.
Additional toxicological information:
To the best of our knowledge the acute and chronic toxicity of this substance is not fully known.

SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Toxicity
Aquatic toxicity:
No data available
Persistence and degradability
No data available
Bioaccumulative potential
No data available
Mobility in soil
No data available
Additional ecological information:
Do not allow material to be released to the environment without official permits.
Avoid transfer into the environment.
Results of PBT and vPvB assessment
PBT:
N/A
vPvB:
N/A
Other adverse effects
SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste treatment methods
Recommendation
Consult official regulations to ensure proper disposal.
Uncleaned packagings:
Recommendation:
Disposal must be made according to official regulations.

SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

UN-Number
DOT, ADN, IMDG, IATA
N/A
UN proper shipping name
DOT, ADN, IMDG, IATA
N/A
Transport hazard class(es)
DOT, ADR, ADN, IMDG, IATA
Class
N/A
Packing group
DOT, IMDG, IATA
N/A
Environmental hazards:
N/A
Special precautions for user
N/A
Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code
N/A
Transport/Additional information:
DOT
Marine Pollutant (DOT):
No

SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture
National regulations
All components of this product are listed in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Toxic
Substances Control Act Chemical substance Inventory.
All components of this product are listed on the Canadian Domestic Substances List (DSL).
SARA Section 313 (specific toxic chemical listings)
Substance is not listed.
California Proposition 65
Prop 65 - Chemicals known to cause cancer
Substance is not listed.
Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity
Substance is not listed.
Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity, female
Substance is not listed.
Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity, male
Substance is not listed.
Information about limitation of use:
For use only by technically qualified individuals.
Other regulations, limitations and prohibitive regulations
Substance of Very High Concern (SVHC) according to the REACH Regulations (EC) No. 1907/2006. Substance is not listed.
The conditions of restrictions according to Article 67 and Annex XVII of the Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 (REACH) for the manufacturing, placing on the market and use must be observed. Substance is not listed.
Annex XIV of the REACH Regulations (requiring Authorisation for use)
Substance is not listed.
REACH - Pre-registered substances
Substance is listed.
Chemical safety assessment:
A Chemical Safety Assessment has not been carried out.

SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION

Safety Data Sheet according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 (REACH). 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. American Elements shall not be held liable for any damage resulting from handling or from contact with the above product. See reverse side of invoice or packing slip for additional terms and conditions of sale. COPYRIGHT 1997-2019 AMERICAN ELEMENTS. LICENSED GRANTED TO MAKE UNLIMITED PAPER COPIES FOR INTERNAL USE ONLY.