

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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## SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

**Product Identifier:** (3N) 99.9% Boron Carbide

**Product Code:** BO-C-03

**CAS Number:** 12069-32-8

**Relevant identified uses of the substance:** Scientific research and development

Supplier details:

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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 H332 Harmful if inhaled.

Skin Irrit. 2 H315 Causes skin irritation.

Eye Irrit. 2A H319 Causes serious eye irritation.

STOT SE 3 H335 May cause respiratory irritation.

Classification according to Directive 67/548/EEC or Directive 1999/45/EC

Xn; Harmful

R20: Harmful by inhalation.

Xi; Irritant

R36/37/38: Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin.

Information concerning particular hazards for human and environment:

N/A

Hazards not otherwise classified

No data available

Label elements

Labelling according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

The substance is classified and labeled according to the CLP regulation.

Hazard pictograms



GHS07

Signal word

Warning

Hazard statements

H332 Harmful if inhaled.

H315 Causes skin irritation.

H319 Causes serious eye irritation.

H335 May cause respiratory irritation.

Precautionary statements

P261 Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray.

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

P305+P351+P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

P304+P340 IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.

P405 Store locked up.

P501 Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.

WHMIS classification

D2B - Toxic material causing other toxic effects

Classification system

HMIS ratings (scale 0-4)

(Hazardous Materials Identification System)

HEALTH

FIRE

REACTIVITY

1

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0

Health (acute effects) = 1

Flammability = 1

Physical Hazard = 0

Other hazards

Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

PBT: N/A

vPvB: N/A

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## SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Substances

CAS No. / Substance Name:

12069-32-8 Boron carbide

Identification number(s):

EC number: 235-111-5

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## 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

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## **SECTION 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES**

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

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## **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.  
Ensure adequate ventilation.  
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.

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## **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:  
No data available  
Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities  
Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles:  
No special requirements.  
Information about storage in one common storage facility:  
Store away from oxidizing agents.  
Further information about storage conditions:  
Keep container tightly sealed.  
Store in cool, dry conditions in well-sealed containers.  
Specific end use(s)  
No data available

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## **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.  
Avoid contact with the eyes and skin.  
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.  
Eye protection: Safety glasses  
Body protection: Protective work clothing.

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## **SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

Information on basic physical and chemical properties  
Appearance:  
Form: Powder or solid  
Color: Black  
Odor: Odorless  
Odor threshold: No data available.  
pH: N/A

Melting point/Melting range: 2350 °C (4262 °F)  
Boiling point/Boiling range: >2500 °C (>4532 °F)  
Sublimation temperature / start: No data available  
Flash point: N/A  
Flammability (solid, gas): No data available.  
Ignition temperature: No data available  
Decomposition temperature: No data available  
Autoignition: No data available.  
Danger of explosion: Product does not present an explosion hazard.  
Explosion limits:  
Lower: No data available  
Upper: No data available  
Vapor pressure: N/A  
  
Density at 20 °C (68 °F): 2.51 g/cm<sup>3</sup> (20.946 lbs/gal)  
Relative density: No data available.  
Vapor density: N/A  
Evaporation rate: N/A  
Solubility in Water (H<sub>2</sub>O): Insoluble  
Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water): No data available.  
Viscosity:  
Dynamic: N/A  
Kinematic: N/A  
Other information  
No data available

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## 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  
Hazardous decomposition products:  
Carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide

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## SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Information on toxicological effects  
Acute toxicity: Harmful if inhaled.  
LD/LC50 values that are relevant for classification: No data  
Skin irritation or corrosion: Causes skin irritation.  
Eye irritation or corrosion: Causes serious eye damage.  
Sensitization: No sensitizing effects known.  
Germ cell mutagenicity: No effects known.

Carcinogenicity: No classification data on carcinogenic properties of this material is available from the EPA, IARC, NTP, OSHA or ACGIH.

Reproductive toxicity: No effects known.

Specific target organ system toxicity - repeated exposure: No effects known.

Specific target organ system toxicity - single exposure: May cause respiratory irritation.

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.

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## **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

No data available

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## **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.

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## **SECTION 14. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION**

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

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## **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.

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## **16. OTHER INFORMATION**

Safety Data Sheet according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 (REACH). The above information is

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