

SAFETY DATA SHEET

According to US Regulation 29 CFR 1910.1200 (HazCom 2012)

1. Identification

Product identifier: Sodium borohydride

Other means of identification

CAS No.: 16940-66-2

Recommended restrictions

Recommended use: For Laboratory, Research or Manufacturing Use.

Restrictions on use: Not determined.

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company Name: Quality Environmental Containers, Inc.
Address: 607 Industrial Park Road
Beaver, WV 25813
Telephone: Customer Service: 304-255-3900
E-mail: info@qecusa.com

Emergency telephone number:

CHEMTREC: 1-800-424-9300 within US and Canada

2. Hazard(s) identification

Hazard Classification

Physical Hazards

Substances and mixtures, which in contact with water, emit flammable gases	Category 1
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Health Hazards

Acute toxicity (Oral)	Category 3
Acute toxicity (Dermal)	Category 3
Skin Corrosion/Irritation	Category 1C
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 1
Toxic to reproduction	Category 1B

Unknown toxicity - Health

Acute toxicity, inhalation, dust or mist	100 %
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Environmental Hazards

Acute hazards to the aquatic environment	Category 3
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Unknown toxicity - Environment

Acute hazards to the aquatic environment	0 %
Chronic hazards to the aquatic environment	100 %

Label Elements

Hazard Symbol:



Signal Word: Danger

Hazard Statement: In contact with water releases flammable gases which may ignite spontaneously.
Toxic if swallowed or in contact with skin.
Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
May damage fertility or the unborn child.
Harmful to aquatic life.

Precautionary Statements

Prevention: Do not allow contact with water. Handle and store contents under inert gas. Protect from moisture. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection. Wash thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Do not breathe dust or mists. Obtain special instructions before use. Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Use personal protective equipment as required. Avoid release to the environment.

Response: IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Brush off loose particles from skin. Immerse in cool water [or wrap in wet bandages]. IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water [or shower]. IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor. Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting. Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor. Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. In case of fire: Use dry chemical powder for extinction.

Storage: Store in a dry place. Store in a closed container. Store locked up.

Disposal: Dispose of contents/container to an appropriate treatment and disposal facility in accordance with applicable laws and regulations, and product characteristics at time of disposal.

Hazard(s) not otherwise classified (HNOC): None.

3. Composition/information on ingredients

Substances

Chemical Identity	CAS number	Content in percent (%)*
Sodium borohydride	16940-66-2	100%

* All concentrations are percent by weight unless ingredient is a gas. Gas concentrations are in percent by volume.

4. First-aid measures

General information:	Get medical advice/attention if you feel unwell. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.
Ingestion:	Call a physician or poison control center immediately. Do NOT induce vomiting. If vomiting occurs, keep head low so that stomach content doesn't get into the lungs.
Inhalation:	Move to fresh air. Call a physician or poison control center immediately. If breathing stops, provide artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen.
Skin Contact:	Immediately flush with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes while removing contaminated clothing and shoes. Call a physician or poison control center immediately. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. Destroy or thoroughly clean contaminated shoes.
Eye contact:	Immediately flush with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. If easy to do, remove contact lenses. Call a physician or poison control center immediately. In case of irritation from airborne exposure, move to fresh air. Get medical attention immediately.

Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed

Symptoms:	Corrosive to skin and eyes. Toxic if swallowed.
Hazards:	None known.

Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Treatment:	Treat symptomatically. Symptoms may be delayed.
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5. Fire-fighting measures

General Fire Hazards:	Use water SPRAY only to cool containers! Do not put water on leaked material. Strong oxidizer - contact with other material may cause fire.
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Suitable (and unsuitable) extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media:	Dry chemical.
Unsuitable extinguishing media:	Water, CO2 or Foam

Specific hazards arising from the chemical:	In contact with water releases flammable gases which may ignite spontaneously.
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Special protective equipment and precautions for firefighters

Special fire fighting procedures:

Move containers from fire area if you can do so without risk. Use water spray to keep fire-exposed containers cool.

Special protective equipment for fire-fighters:

Firefighters must use standard protective equipment including flame retardant coat, helmet with face shield, gloves, rubber boots, and in enclosed spaces, SCBA.

6. Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures:

ELIMINATE all ignition sources (no smoking, flares, sparks or flames in immediate area). Keep unauthorized personnel away. Do not touch damaged containers or spilled material unless wearing appropriate protective clothing. Use personal protective equipment. See Section 8 of the SDS for Personal Protective Equipment.

Methods and material for containment and cleaning up:

Avoid dust formation. Sweep up and place in a clearly labeled container for chemical waste. Clean surface thoroughly to remove residual contamination.

Notification Procedures:

Prevent entry into waterways, sewer, basements or confined areas. Inform authorities if large amounts are involved.

Environmental Precautions:

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Avoid discharge into drains, water courses or onto the ground.

7. Handling and storage

Precautions for safe handling:

Avoid generation and spreading of dust. Ground and bond container and receiving equipment. Use personal protective equipment as required. Do not get in eyes, on skin, on clothing. Avoid inhalation of dust. Wash thoroughly after handling. Obtain special instructions before use. Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Do not taste or swallow.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities:

Keep containers tightly closed. Store in cool, dry place. Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep away from moisture.

8. Exposure controls/personal protection

Control Parameters

Occupational Exposure Limits

None of the components have assigned exposure limits.

Appropriate Engineering Controls

No data available.

Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

General information:

Good general ventilation (typically 10 air changes per hour) should be used. Ventilation rates should be matched to conditions. If applicable, use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to maintain airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If exposure limits have not been established, maintain airborne levels to an acceptable level. Use explosion-proof ventilation equipment.

Eye/face protection:

Use tight fitting goggles if dust is generated.

**Skin Protection
Hand Protection:**

Wear protective gloves.

Other:	Wear suitable protective clothing.
Respiratory Protection:	In case of inadequate ventilation use suitable respirator.
Hygiene measures:	Always observe good personal hygiene measures, such as washing after handling the material and before eating, drinking, and/or smoking. Routinely wash work clothing and protective equipment to remove contaminants. Provide eyewash station and safety shower.

9. Physical and chemical properties

Appearance

Physical state:	Solid
Form:	Powder.
Color:	White
Odor:	Odorless
Odor threshold:	No data available.
pH:	No data available.
Melting point/freezing point:	> 360 °C
Initial boiling point and boiling range:	> 400 °C
Flash Point:	70 °C
Evaporation rate:	No data available.
Flammability (solid, gas):	No data available.
Upper/lower limit on flammability or explosive limits	
Flammability limit - upper (%):	No data available.
Flammability limit - lower (%):	No data available.
Explosive limit - upper (%):	No data available.
Explosive limit - lower (%):	No data available.
Vapor pressure:	No data available.
Vapor density:	1.3 (Air=1)
Density:	1.07 g/ml (20 °C)
Relative density:	1.07 (20 °C)
Solubility(ies)	
Solubility in water:	Reacts with water.
Solubility (other):	No data available.
Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water):	No data available.
Auto-ignition temperature:	> 400 °C
Decomposition temperature:	No data available.
Viscosity:	No data available.

Other information

Molecular weight:	37.83 g/mol (BH ₄ .Na)
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10. Stability and reactivity

Reactivity:	No data available.
Chemical Stability:	Material is stable under normal conditions.
Possibility of hazardous reactions:	Hazardous polymerization does not occur. Material reacts with water. The substance is hygroscopic and will absorb water by contact with the moisture in the air.
Conditions to avoid:	Moisture. Heat, sparks, flames. Contact with incompatible materials.

Incompatible Materials:	Water. Moisture. Strong oxidizing agents. Strong acids.
Hazardous Decomposition Products:	Sodium oxides. This product may generate hydrogen gas. Keep away from ignition source. Empty container after use should be stored in separate area, and be disposed after degassing completely.

11. Toxicological information

Information on likely routes of exposure

Inhalation:	May cause irritation to the respiratory system.
Skin Contact:	Causes severe skin burns.
Eye contact:	Causes serious eye damage.
Ingestion:	Toxic if swallowed. May cause burns of the gastrointestinal tract if swallowed.

Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity (list all possible routes of exposure)

Oral	
Product:	LD 50 (Rat): 100 - 160 mg/kg
Dermal	
Product:	LD 50 (Rabbit) 230 mg/kg
Inhalation	
Product:	LC 50 (Rat, 4 h) > 2.12 mg/l

Repeated dose toxicity

Product:	No data available.
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Skin Corrosion/Irritation

Product:	Causes severe skin burns.
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Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation

Product:	Causes serious eye damage.
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Respiratory or Skin Sensitization

Product:	Not a skin sensitizer.
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Carcinogenicity

Product:	This substance has no evidence of carcinogenic properties.
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IARC Monographs on the Evaluation of Carcinogenic Risks to Humans:

No carcinogenic components identified

US. National Toxicology Program (NTP) Report on Carcinogens:

No carcinogenic components identified

US. OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1050):

No carcinogenic components identified

Germ Cell Mutagenicity

In vitro

Product: No mutagenic components identified

In vivo

Product: No mutagenic components identified

Reproductive toxicity

Product: May damage fertility or the unborn child.

Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Single Exposure

Product: None known.

Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Repeated Exposure

Product: None known.

Aspiration Hazard

Product: Not classified

Other effects: None known.

12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity:

Acute hazards to the aquatic environment:

Fish

Product: No data available.

Specified substance(s):

Sodium borohydride
LC 50 (Oncorhynchus kisutch, 96 h): 447 - 600 mg/l
LC 50 (Oncorhynchus tshawytscha, 96 h): 600 - 725 mg/l
LC 50 (Ptychocheilus lucius, 96 h): 279 - 527 mg/l
LC 50 (Pimephales promelas, 96 h): 79.7 mg/l

Aquatic Invertebrates

Product: No data available.

Specified substance(s):

Sodium borohydride
LC 50 (Ceriodaphnia dubia, 48 h): 91 - 165 mg/l
LC 50 (Daphnia magna, 48 h): 133 - 141 mg/l
LC 50 (Americamysis bahia, 48 h): 81 - 86 mg/l

Chronic hazards to the aquatic environment:

Fish

Product: No data available.

Specified substance(s):

Sodium borohydride
LC 50 (Carassius auratus, 7 d): 49 - 73 mg/l
NOAEL (Oncorhynchus mykiss, 14 d): 86.4 mg/l
LC 50 (Oncorhynchus mykiss, 28 d): 53 - 125 mg/l

Aquatic Invertebrates

Product: No data available.

Specified substance(s):

Sodium borohydride
LC 50 (Daphnia magna, 21 d): 53.2 mg/l
NOAEL (Daphnia magna, 21 d): 6 - 32 mg/l
NOAEL (Ceriodaphnia dubia, 14 d): 10 mg/l
LOAEL (Daphnia magna, 21 d): 13 - 53 mg/l
LOAEL (Ceriodaphnia dubia, 14 d): 18 mg/l

Toxicity to Aquatic Plants

Product: No data available.

Persistence and Degradability

Biodegradation

Product: There are no data on the degradability of this product.

BOD/COD Ratio

Product: No data available.

Bioaccumulative potential

Bioconcentration Factor (BCF)

Product: No data available on bioaccumulation.

Partition Coefficient n-octanol / water (log Kow)

Product: No data available.

Mobility in soil: No data available.

Other adverse effects: The product components are not classified as environmentally hazardous. However, this does not exclude the possibility that large or frequent spills can have a harmful or damaging effect on the environment.

13. Disposal considerations

Disposal instructions: Discharge, treatment, or disposal may be subject to national, state, or local laws.

Contaminated Packaging: Since emptied containers retain product residue, follow label warnings even after container is emptied.

14. Transport information

DOT

UN Number:	UN 1426
UN Proper Shipping Name:	Sodium borohydride
Transport Hazard Class(es)	
Class:	4.3
Label(s):	4.3
Packing Group:	I
Marine Pollutant:	No

Special precautions for user: Not determined.

IMDG

UN Number:	UN 1426
UN Proper Shipping Name:	SODIUM BOROHYDRIDE
Transport Hazard Class(es)	
Class:	4.3
Label(s):	4.3
EmS No.:	F-G, S-O
Packing Group:	I
Marine Pollutant:	No
Special precautions for user:	Not determined.

IATA

UN Number:	UN 1426
Proper Shipping Name:	Sodium borohydride
Transport Hazard Class(es):	
Class:	4.3
Label(s):	4.3
Packing Group:	I
Marine Pollutant:	No
Special precautions for user:	Not determined.

15. Regulatory information

US Federal Regulations

TSCA Section 12(b) Export Notification (40 CFR 707, Subpt. D)

None present or none present in regulated quantities.

US. OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1050)

None present or none present in regulated quantities.

CERCLA Hazardous Substance List (40 CFR 302.4):

None present or none present in regulated quantities.

Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA)

Hazard categories

In contact with water emits flammable gas
Acute toxicity (any route of exposure)
Skin Corrosion or Irritation
Serious eye damage or eye irritation
Reproductive toxicity

SARA 302 Extremely Hazardous Substance

None present or none present in regulated quantities.

SARA 304 Emergency Release Notification

None present or none present in regulated quantities.

SARA 311/312 Hazardous Chemical

Chemical Identity	Threshold Planning Quantity
Sodium borohydride	10000 lbs.

SARA 313 (TRI Reporting)

None present or none present in regulated quantities.

Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112(r) Accidental Release Prevention (40 CFR 68.130):

None present or none present in regulated quantities.

Clean Water Act Section 311 Hazardous Substances (40 CFR 117.3):

None present or none present in regulated quantities.

US State Regulations

US. California Proposition 65

No ingredient requiring a warning under CA Prop 65.

US. New Jersey Worker and Community Right-to-Know Act

Chemical Identity

Sodium borohydride

US. Massachusetts RTK - Substance List

No ingredient regulated by MA Right-to-Know Law present.

US. Pennsylvania RTK - Hazardous Substances

No ingredient regulated by PA Right-to-Know Law present.

US. Rhode Island RTK

No ingredient regulated by RI Right-to-Know Law present.

International regulations

Montreal protocol

Not applicable

Stockholm convention

Not applicable

Rotterdam convention

Not applicable

Kyoto protocol

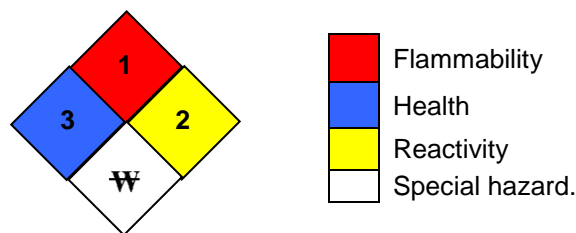
Not applicable

Inventory Status:

Australia AICS:	On or in compliance with the inventory
Canada DSL Inventory List:	On or in compliance with the inventory
EINECS, ELINCS or NLP:	On or in compliance with the inventory
Japan (ENCS) List:	On or in compliance with the inventory
China Inv. Existing Chemical Substances:	On or in compliance with the inventory
Korea Existing Chemicals Inv. (KECI):	On or in compliance with the inventory
Philippines PICCS:	On or in compliance with the inventory
US TSCA Inventory:	On or in compliance with the inventory
New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals:	On or in compliance with the inventory
Japan ISHL Listing:	On or in compliance with the inventory
Mexico INSQ:	On or in compliance with the inventory
Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory:	On or in compliance with the inventory

16. Other information, including date of preparation or last revision

NFPA Hazard ID



Hazard rating: 0 - Minimal; 1 - Slight; 2 - Moderate; 3 - Serious; 4 - Severe; RNP - Rating not possible

W : Water reactive

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Further Information: No data available.

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