SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

1.1 Product identifiers

Product name : Lithium tetraborate
Product Number : 62610
Brand : Sigma-Aldrich
CAS-No. : 12007-60-2

1.2 Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Identified uses : Laboratory chemicals, Synthesis of substances

1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company : Sigma-Aldrich Inc.
3050 SPRUCE ST
ST. LOUIS MO 63103
UNITED STATES

Telephone : +1 314 771-5765
Fax : +1 800 325-5052

1.4 Emergency telephone

Emergency Phone # : 800-424-9300 CHEMTREC (USA) +1-703-527-3887 CHEMTREC (International) 24 Hours/day; 7 Days/week

SECTION 2: Hazards identification

2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

Not a hazardous substance or mixture.

2.2 GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Not a hazardous substance or mixture.

2.3 Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC) or not covered by GHS - none

SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

3.1 Substances

Formula : B₄Li₂O₇
Molecular weight : 169.12 g/mol
CAS-No. : 12007-60-2
EC-No. : 234-514-3

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For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

SECTION 4: First aid measures

4.1 Description of first-aid measures

General advice
Move out of dangerous area.

If inhaled
If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration.

In case of skin contact
Wash off with soap and plenty of water.

In case of eye contact
Flush eyes with water as a precaution.

If swallowed
Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water.

4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed
The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2.2) and/or in section 11

4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed
No data available

SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

5.1 Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media
Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.

5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture
Borane/boron oxides
Lithium oxides

5.3 Advice for firefighters
Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for firefighting if necessary.

5.4 Further information
No data available
SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures
Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapors, mist or gas.
For personal protection see section 8.

6.2 Environmental precautions
No special environmental precautions required.

6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up
Sweep up and shovel. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

6.4 Reference to other sections
For disposal see section 13.

SECTION 7: Handling and storage

7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Advice on safe handling
Further processing of solid materials may result in the formation of combustible dusts. The potential for combustible dust formation should be taken into consideration before additional processing occurs.

Advice on protection against fire and explosion
Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed.

Hygiene measures
General industrial hygiene practice.
For precautions see section 2.2.

7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Storage conditions
Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.

Hygroscopic. Moisture sensitive.

Storage class
Storage class (TRGS 510): 13: Non Combustible Solids

7.3 Specific end use(s)
Apart from the uses mentioned in section 1.2 no other specific uses are stipulated.

SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1 Control parameters

Ingredients with workplace control parameters

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8.2 Exposure controls

**Appropriate engineering controls**
General industrial hygiene practice.

**Personal protective equipment**

**Eye/face protection**
Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).

**Skin protection**
Handle with gloves. Gloves must be inspected prior to use. Use proper glove removal technique (without touching glove's outer surface) to avoid skin contact with this product. Dispose of contaminated gloves after use in accordance with applicable laws and good laboratory practices. Wash and dry hands.

Full contact
Material: Nitrile rubber
Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm
Break through time: 480 min
Material tested:Dermatril® (KCL 740 / Aldrich Z677272, Size M)

Splash contact
Material: Nitrile rubber
Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm
Break through time: 480 min
Material tested:Dermatril® (KCL 740 / Aldrich Z677272, Size M)

data source: KCL GmbH, D-36124 Eichenzell, phone +49 (0)6659 87300, e-mail sales@kcl.de, test method: EN374
If used in solution, or mixed with other substances, and under conditions which differ from EN 374, contact the supplier of the EC approved gloves. This recommendation is advisory only and must be evaluated by an industrial hygienist and safety officer familiar with the specific situation of anticipated use by our customers. It should not be construed as offering an approval for any specific use scenario.

**Body Protection**
Choose body protection in relation to its type, to the concentration and amount of dangerous substances, and to the specific work-place. The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

**Respiratory protection**
Respiratory protection is not required. Where protection from nuisance levels of dusts are desired, use type N95 (US) or type P1 (EN 143) dust masks. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

**Control of environmental exposure**
No special environmental precautions required.
SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

a) Appearance Form: solid
b) Odor No data available
c) Odor Threshold No data available
d) pH No data available
e) Melting point/freezing point Melting point/range: 760 - 880 °C (1400 - 1616 °F) - lit.
f) Initial boiling point and boiling range No data available
g) Flash point ()Not applicable
h) Evaporation rate No data available
i) Flammability (solid, gas) No data available
j) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits No data available
k) Vapor pressure No data available
l) Vapor density No data available
m) Density 0.25 g/cm³ at 25 °C (77 °F) - lit.
   Relative density No data available
n) Water solubility No data available
o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water No data available
p) Autoignition temperature No data available
q) Decomposition temperature No data available
r) Viscosity No data available
s) Explosive properties No data available
t) Oxidizing properties No data available

9.2 Other safety information
No data available

SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

10.1 Reactivity
No data available

10.2 Chemical stability
Stable under recommended storage conditions.
10.3 **Possibility of hazardous reactions**
No data available

10.4 **Conditions to avoid**
Avoid moisture.

10.5 **Incompatible materials**
Potassium, Acid anhydrides

10.6 **Hazardous decomposition products**
In the event of fire: see section 5

**SECTION 11: Toxicological information**

11.1 **Information on toxicological effects**

**Acute toxicity**
LD50 Oral - Rat - female - 500 mg/kg
(OECD Test Guideline 423)
LD50 Dermal - Rat - male and female - > 2,000 mg/kg
(OECD Test Guideline 402)

**Skin corrosion/irritation**
Skin - reconstructed human epidermis (RhE)
Result: No skin irritation - 15 min
(OECD Test Guideline 439)

**Serious eye damage/eye irritation**
Eyes - Rabbit
Result: Causes serious eye damage. - 1 h
(OECD Test Guideline 405)

**Respiratory or skin sensitization**
No data available

**Germ cell mutagenicity**
Test Type: Ames test
Test system: Escherichia coli/Salmonella typhimurium
Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation
Method: OECD Test Guideline 471
Result: negative
Test Type: Mutagenicity (mammal cell test): chromosome aberration.
Test system: Human lymphocytes
Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation
Method: OECD Test Guideline 473
Result: negative

**Carcinogenicity**
IARC: No ingredient of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.
NTP: No ingredient of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP.
OSHA: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is on OSHA’s list of regulated carcinogens.

**Reproductive toxicity**
No data available
Suspected of damaging the unborn child. Suspected of damaging fertility.

**Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure**
No data available

**Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure**
No data available

**Aspiration hazard**
No data available

### 11.2 Additional Information

Repeated dose toxicity - Rat - male and female - Oral - NOAEL (No observed adverse effect level) - \( \geq 150 \text{ mg/kg} \)

Toxicity reported for borates in humans: ingestion or absorption may cause nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal cramps, and erythematous lesions on the skin and mucous membranes. Other symptoms include: circulatory collapse, tachycardia, cyanosis, delirium, convulsions, and coma. Death has been reported to occur in infants from less than 5 grams and in adults from 5 to 20 grams. Large doses of lithium ion have caused dizziness and prostration, and can cause kidney damage if sodium intake is limited. Dehydration, weight loss, dermatological effects, and thyroid disturbances have been reported. Central nervous system effects that include slurred speech, blurred vision, sensory loss, ataxia, and convulsions may occur. Diarrhea, vomiting, and neuromuscular effects such as tremor, clonus, and hyperactive reflexes may occur as a result of repeated exposure to lithium ion. To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

Hazardous properties cannot be excluded but are unlikely when the product is handled appropriately.

The following applies to lithium compounds in general: when handled or used inappropriately, the absorption of large quantities is followed by CNS disorders, agitation, spasms, ataxia (impaired locomotor coordination) due to disturbed electrolyte balance.

The following applies to boron compounds in general: resorption is followed by nausea and vomiting, agitation, spasms, CNS disorders, cardiovascular disorders.

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

Stomach - Irregularities - Based on Human Evidence

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### SECTION 12: Ecological information

#### 12.1 Toxicity

**Toxicity to fish**

- static test LC50 - *Cyprinus carpio* (Carp) - \( > 100 \text{ mg/l} \) - 96 h (OECD Test Guideline 203)

**Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates**

- static test EC50 - *Daphnia magna* (Water flea) - \( > 100 \text{ mg/l} \) - 48 h (OECD Test Guideline 202)
Toxicity to algae static test ErC50 - Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata - > 100 mg/l - 72 h (OECD Test Guideline 201)

12.2 Persistence and degradability
The methods for determining biodegradability are not applicable to inorganic substances.

12.3 Bioaccumulative potential
No data available

12.4 Mobility in soil
No data available

12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment
PBT/vPvB assessment not available as chemical safety assessment not required/not conducted

12.6 Endocrine disrupting properties
No data available

12.7 Other adverse effects
No data available

SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

13.1 Waste treatment methods

Product
Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company.

Contaminated packaging
Dispose of as unused product.

SECTION 14: Transport information

DOT (US)
Not dangerous goods

IMDG
Not dangerous goods

IATA
Not dangerous goods

Further information
Not classified as dangerous in the meaning of transport regulations.

SECTION 15: Regulatory information

SARA 302 Components
No chemicals in this material are subject to the reporting requirements of SARA Title III, Section 302.
**SARA 313 Components**
This material does not contain any chemical components with known CAS numbers that exceed the threshold (De Minimis) reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313.

**SARA 311/312 Hazards**
Chronic Health Hazard

**Massachusetts Right To Know Components**
No components are subject to the Massachusetts Right to Know Act.

**Pennsylvania Right To Know Components**
dilithium tetraborate
CAS-No. 12007-60-2
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**New Jersey Right To Know Components**
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**California Prop. 65 Components**
This product does not contain any chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth, or any other reproductive defects.

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**SECTION 16: Other information**

**Further information**
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