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1 Identification of substance:

Product details:

Product name: Aluminum boride

Stock number: 30723
Manufacturer/Supplier:

Alfa Aesar, A Johnson Matthey Company Johnson Matthey Catalog Company, Inc.

30 Bond Street

Ward Hill, MA 01835-8099 Emergency Phone: (978) 521-6300 CHEMTREC: (800) 424-9300 Web Site: www.alfa.com

Information Department: Health, Safety and Environmental Department

Emergency information:

During normal hours the Health, Safety and Environmental Department. After normal hours call Chemtrec at (800) 424-9300.

2 Composition/Data on components:

Chemical characterization:

Description: (CAS#)

Aluminum diboride (CAS# 12041-50-8); 100%

Identification number(s): EINECS Number: 234-923-7

3 Hazards identification

Hazard description: Not applicable

Information pertaining to particular dangers for man and environment Not applicable

Classification system HMIS ratings (scale 0-4)

(Hazardous Materials Identification System)

HEALTH 1
FIRE 0
REACTIVITY 0

Health (acute effects) = 1
Flammability = 0
Reactivity = 0

GHS label elements Void

4 First aid measures

After inhalation

Supply fresh air. If required, provide artificial respiration. Keep patient warm.

Seek immediate medical advice.

After skin contact

Immediately wash with water and soap and rinse thoroughly.

Seek immediate medical advice.

After eye contact

Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. Then consult a doctor.

After swallowing Seek medical treatment.

5 Fire fighting measures

Suitable extinguishing agents

Product is not flammable. Use fire fighting measures that suit the surrounding fire.

Protective equipment:

Wear self-contained respirator.

Wear fully protective impervious suit.

6 Accidental release measures

Person-related safety precautions:

Wear protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.

Ensure adequate ventilation

${\tt Measures} \ {\tt for} \ {\tt environmental} \ {\tt protection:}$

Do not allow material to be released to the environment without proper governmental permits.

Measures for cleaning/collecting: Pick up mechanically.

Additional information:

See Section 7 for information on safe handling

See Section 8 for information on personal protection equipment.

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7 Handling and storage

Handling

Information for safe handling:

Keep container tightly sealed.

See Section 13 for disposal information.

Store in cool, dry place in tightly closed containers.

No special precautions are necessary if used correctly.

Information about protection against explosions and fires: The product is not flammable

Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles: No special requirements.

Information about storage in one common storage facility: Do not store together with acids.

Further information about storage conditions:

Keep container tightly sealed.

Store in cool, dry conditions in well sealed containers.

8 Exposure controls and 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.

Components with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace: Not required. Additional information: No data

Personal protective equipment

General protective and hygienic measures

The usual precautionary measures for handling chemicals should be followed.

Keep away from foodstuffs, beverages and feed.

Remove all soiled and contaminated clothing immediately.

Wash hands before breaks and at the end of work.

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

Protection of hands: Impervious gloves

Eye protection: Safety glasses

Body protection: Protective work clothing.

9 Physical and chemical properties:

General Information	
Form: Color: Odor:	Powder Red-brown Odorless
Change in condition Melting point/Melting range: Boiling point/Boiling range: Sublimation temperature / start:	
Flash point:	Not applicable
Flammability (solid, gaseous)	Product is not flammable.
Ignition temperature:	Not determined
Decomposition temperature:	Not determined
Danger of explosion:	Product does not present an explosion hazard.
Explosion limits: Lower: Upper:	Not determined Not determined
Vapor pressure:	Not determined
Density at 20°C (68°F):	3.19 g/cm³
Solubility in / Miscibility with Water:	Insoluble

10 Stability and reactivity

Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:

Decomposition will not occur if used and stored according to specifications.

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Materials to be avoided: Acids Dangerous reactions

Reacts with strong acids

Contact with acids releases flammable gases Dangerous products of decomposition: Hydrogen

11 Toxicological information

Acute toxicity:

Primary irritant effect:

on the skin: Powder: irritant effect on the eye: Powder: irritant effect

Sensitization: No sensitizing effects known.

Subacute to chronic toxicity:

Aluminum may be implicated in Alzheimers disease. Inhalation of aluminum containing dusts may cause pulmonary disease.

Subacute to chronic toxicity:

Boron affects the central nervous system. Boron poisoning causes depression of the circulation, persistant vomiting and diarrhea, followed by profound shock and coma. The temperature may become subnormal and a scarletina form rash may cover the entire body.

Additional toxicological information: To the best of our knowledge the acute and chronic toxicity of this substance is not fully

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

12 Ecological information:

General notes:

Do not allow material to be released to the environment without proper governmental permits.

13 Disposal considerations

Product:

Recommendation Consult state, local or national regulations to ensure proper disposal.

Uncleaned packagings:

Recommendation: Disposal must be made according to official regulations.

14 Transport information

Not a hazardous material for transportation.

DOT regulations:

Hazard class: None

Land transport ADR/RID (cross-border)

ADR/RID class: None Maritime transport IMDG:

None Air transport ICAO-TI and IATA-DGR:

ICAO/IATA Class: None

Transport/Additional information: Not dangerous according to the above specifications.

15 Regulations

IMDG Class:

Product related hazard informations:

Observe the general safety regulations when handling chemicals

All components of this product are listed in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Toxic Substances Control Act Chemical substance Inventory.

Information about limitation of use: For use only by technically qualified individuals.

16 Other information:

Employers should use this information only as a supplement to other information gathered by them, and should make independent judgement of suitability of this information to ensure proper use and protect the health and safety of employees. This information is furnished without warranty, and any use of the product not in conformance with this Material Safety

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Department issuing MSDS: Health, Safety and Environmental Department.

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Abbreviations and acronyms:

ADR: Accord européen sur le transport des marchandises dangereuses par Route (European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road)

RID: Règlement international concernant le transport des marchandises dangereuses par chemin de fer (Regulations Concerning the International Transport of Dangerous Goods by Rail)

IMDG: International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods DOT: US Department of Transportation

DOT: US Department of Transportation
IATA: International Air Transport Association
IATA-DGR: Dangerous Goods Regulations by the "International Air Transport Association" (IATA)
ICAO: International Civil Aviation Organization
ICAO-TI: Technical Instructions by the "International Civil Aviation Organization" (ICAO)
GHS: Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals
EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances

CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society) HMIS: Hazardous Materials Identification System (USA)