

## 1 Identification

### Product identifier

**Product name:** Tetramethylammonium borohydride

**Stock number:** A17655

**CAS Number:**

16883-45-7

**EC number:**

240-917-5

**Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against.**

**Identified use:** SU24 Scientific research and development

### Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

#### Manufacturer/Supplier:

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**Information Department:** Health, Safety and Environmental Department

**Emergency telephone number:**

During normal business hours (Monday-Friday, 8am-7pm EST), call (800) 343-0660. After normal business hours, call Carechem 24 at (866) 928-0789.

## 2 Hazard(s) identification

**Classification of the substance or mixture in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)**



GHS02 Flame

Water-react. 2 H261 In contact with water releases flammable gas.



GHS06 Skull and crossbones

Acute Tox. 3 H301 Toxic if swallowed.

Acute Tox. 3 H311 Toxic in contact with skin.



GHS05 Corrosion

Skin Corr. 1B H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

Eye Dam. 1 H318 Causes serious eye damage.

**Hazards not otherwise classified** No information known.

### Label elements

**GHS label elements** The product is classified and labeled in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)

### Hazard pictograms



GHS02 GHS05 GHS06

**Signal word** Danger

### Hazard statements

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### Precautionary statements

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

P303+P361+P353 If on skin (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.

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

P310 Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor/...

P370+P378 In case of fire: Use for extinction: Fire-extinguishing powder.

P402+P404 Store in a dry place. Store in a closed container.

### WHMIS classification

B6 - Reactive flammable material

D1A - Very toxic material causing immediate and serious toxic effects

D2B - Toxic material causing other toxic effects

E - Corrosive material



### Classification system

**HMIS ratings (scale 0-4)**

**(Hazardous Materials Identification System)**

**HEALTH** 2 Health (acute effects) = 2

**FIRE** 2 Flammability = 2

**REACTIVITY** 3 Physical Hazard = 3

### Other hazards

**Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**

**PBT:** Not applicable.

**vPvB:** Not applicable.

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**3 Composition/information on ingredients**

**Chemical characterization:** Substances  
**CAS# Description:**  
16883-45-7 Tetramethylammonium borohydride  
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**4 First-aid measures**

**Description of first aid measures**  
**General information**  
Immediately remove any clothing soiled by the product.  
In case of irregular breathing or respiratory arrest provide artificial respiration.  
**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** Do not induce vomiting; immediately call for medical help.  
**Information for doctor**  
**Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed**  
Causes severe skin burns.  
Causes serious eye damage.  
**Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed** No further relevant information available.

**5 Fire-fighting measures**

**Extinguishing media**  
**Suitable extinguishing agents**  
Dry sand  
Extinguishing powder. 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:  
Carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide  
Nitrogen oxides (NOx)  
Possibly Hydrogen cyanide (HCN)  
Boron oxide  
**Advice for firefighters**  
**Protective equipment:**  
Wear self-contained respirator.  
Wear fully protective impervious suit.

**6 Accidental release measures**

**Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**  
Wear protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.  
Ensure adequate ventilation  
Keep away from ignition sources  
**Environmental precautions:** Do not allow material to be released to the environment without proper governmental permits.  
**Methods and material for containment and cleaning up:**  
Keep away from ignition sources.  
Use neutralizing agent.  
Dispose of contaminated material as waste according to section 13.  
Ensure adequate ventilation.  
Do not flush with water or aqueous cleansing agents  
**Prevention of secondary hazards:** Keep away from ignition sources.  
**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.

**7 Handling and storage**

**Handling**  
**Precautions for safe handling**  
Handle under dry protective gas.  
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 information known.  
**Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**  
**Storage**  
**Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles:** No special requirements.  
**Information about storage in one common storage facility:**  
Store away from oxidizing agents.  
Store away from water/moisture.  
**Further information about storage conditions:**  
Store under dry inert gas.  
This product is moisture sensitive.  
Keep container tightly sealed.  
Store in cool, dry conditions in well sealed containers.  
Protect from humidity and water.  
**Specific end use(s)** No further relevant information available.

**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:** Not required.

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**Product name: Tetramethylammonium borohydride**

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

**Aspiration hazard:** No effects known.

**Subacute to chronic toxicity:** No effects known.

**Subacute to chronic toxicity:**

Boron affects the central nervous system. Boron poisoning causes depression of the circulation, persistent 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 known.

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## 12 Ecological information

**Toxicity**

**Aquatic toxicity:** No further relevant information available.

**Persistence and degradability** No further relevant information available.

**Bioaccumulative potential** No further relevant information available.

**Mobility in soil** No further relevant information available.

**Additional ecological information:**

**General notes:**

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

Do not allow undiluted product or large quantities to reach ground water, water course or sewage system.

Avoid transfer into the environment.

**Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**

**PBT:** Not applicable.

**vPvB:** Not applicable.

**Other adverse effects** No further relevant information available.

## 13 Disposal considerations

**Waste treatment methods**

**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

**UN-Number**

**DOT, IMDG, IATA**

UN3131

**UN proper shipping name**

**DOT**

**IMDG, IATA**

Water-reactive solid, corrosive, n.o.s. (Tetramethylammonium borohydride)  
WATER-REACTIVE SOLID, CORROSIVE, N.O.S. (Tetramethylammonium borohydride)

**Transport hazard class(es)**

**DOT**



**Class**

**Label**

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**IMDG, IATA**



**Class**

**Label**

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**Packing group**

**DOT, IMDG, IATA**

II

**Environmental hazards:**

Not applicable.

**Special precautions for user**

Warning: Substances which, in contact with water, emit flammable gases

**Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code** Not applicable.

**Transport/Additional information:**

**DOT**

**Marine Pollutant (DOT):**

No

**UN "Model Regulation":**

UN3131, Water-reactive solid, corrosive, n.o.s. (Tetramethylammonium borohydride), 4.3 (8), II

## 15 Regulatory information

**Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture**

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**Hazard pictograms**



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P370+P378 P402+P404	In case of fire: Use for extinction: Fire-extinguishing powder. Store in a dry place. Store in a closed container.
<b>National regulations</b> 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 Non-Domestic Substances List (NDSL). <b>SARA Section 313 (specific toxic chemical listings)</b> Substance is not listed. <b>California Proposition 65</b> <b>Prop 65 - Chemicals known to cause cancer</b> Substance is not listed. <b>Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity</b> Substance is not listed. <b>Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity, female</b> Substance is not listed. <b>Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity, male</b> Substance is not listed. <b>Information about limitation of use:</b> For use only by technically qualified individuals. <b>Other regulations, limitations and prohibitive regulations</b> <b>Substance of Very High Concern (SVHC) according to the REACH Regulations (EC) No. 1907/2006.</b> Substance is not listed. <b>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.</b> Substance is not listed. <b>Annex XIV of the REACH Regulations (requiring Authorisation for use)</b> Substance is not listed. <b>Chemical safety assessment:</b> A Chemical Safety Assessment has not been carried out.	

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<b>16 Other information</b> 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 Data Sheet, or in combination with any other product or process, is the responsibility of the user. <b>Department issuing SDS:</b> Global Marketing Department <b>Date of preparation / last revision</b> 11/24/2015 / - <b>Abbreviations and acronyms:</b> RID: Règlement international concernant le transport des marchandises dangereuses par chemin de fer (Regulations Concerning the International Transport of Dangerous Goods by Rail) IATA-DSR: 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) ADR: Accord européen sur le transport des marchandises dangereuses par Route (European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road) IMDG: International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods DOT: US Department of Transportation IATA: International Air Transport Association EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society) HMS: Hazardous Materials Identification System (USA) WHMIS: Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (Canada) LC50: Lethal concentration, 50 percent LD50: Lethal dose, 50 percent vPvB: very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative ACGIH: American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (USA) OSHA: Occupational Safety and Health Administration (USA) NTP: National Toxicology Program (USA) IARC: International Agency for Research on Cancer EPA: Environmental Protection Agency (USA)	
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