



## Safety Data Sheet

### SECTION 1: Identification

#### 1.1. Product Identifier

**Trade Name or Designation:** Boric Acid, 4% (w/v)

**Product Number:** 1068

**Other Identifying Product Numbers:** 1068-1, 1068-16, 1068-32

#### 1.2. Recommended Use and Restrictions on Use

General Laboratory Reagent

#### 1.3. Details of the Supplier of the Safety Data Sheet

**Company:** Ricca Chemical Company

**Address:** 448 West Fork Drive  
Arlington, TX 76012 USA

**Telephone:** 888-467-4222

#### 1.4. Emergency Telephone Number (24 hr)

CHEMTREC (USA) 800-424-9300  
CHEMTREC (International) 1+ 703-527-3887

### SECTION 2: Hazard(s) Identification

#### 2.1. Classification of the Substance or Mixture (in accordance with OSHA HCS 29 CFR 1910.1200)

*For the full text of the Hazard and Precautionary Statements listed below, see Section 16.*

Hazard Class	Category	Hazard Statement	Precautionary Statements
Reproductive Toxicity	Category 1	H360	P201, P202, P280, P308+P313, P405, P501
Specific Target Organs/Systemic Toxicity Following Single Exposure	Category 1	H370	P260, P264, P270, P307+P311, P321, P405, P501
Specific Target Organs/Systemic Toxicity Following Repeated Exposure	Category 1	H372	P260, P264, P270, P314, P501

#### 2.2. GHS Label Elements

Pictograms:





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Signal Word: **Danger**

### Hazard Statements:

Hazard Number	Hazard Statement
H360	May damage fertility or the unborn child.
H370	Causes damage to organs.
H372	Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

### Precautionary Statements:

Precautionary Number	Precautionary Statement
P201	Obtain special instructions before use.
P202	Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.
P260	Do not breathe dust, fumes or mist.
P264	Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling.
P270	Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
P280	Wear protective gloves and eye protection.
P307+P311	IF exposed: Call a POISON CENTER or physician.
P308+P313	IF exposed or concerned: Get medical attention.
P314	Get medical attention if you feel unwell.
P321	Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water).
P405	Store locked up.
P501	Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

### 2.3. WHMIS Classification

WHMIS classification is not included based on the recommended option (Option 4) found in the Canada Gazette Part II, Vol. 149, No.3, page 458

### 2.4. Hazards not Otherwise Classified or Covered by GHS

Data not available.

## SECTION 3: Composition / Information on Ingredients

### 3.1. Components of Substance or Mixture

Chemical Name	Formula	Molecular Weight	CAS Number	Weight%
Water	H <sub>2</sub> O	18.01 g/mol	7732-18-5	96.06%
Boric Acid	H <sub>3</sub> BO <sub>3</sub>	61.83 g/mol	10043-35-3	3.94%



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### SECTION 4: First-Aid Measures

#### 4.1. General First Aid Information

**Eye Contact:** May cause irritation, redness, pain, and tearing.

**Inhalation:** Not expected to require first aid. If necessary, remove to fresh air.

**Skin Contact:** May cause slight irritation.

**Ingestion:** Dilute with water or milk. Call a physician if necessary.

#### 4.2. Most Important Symptoms and Effects, Acute and Delayed

Does not present any significant health hazards. Wash areas of contact with water. **EYE CONTACT:** May cause irritation, redness, pain, and tearing.  
**SKIN CONTACT:** May cause slight irritation.

#### 4.3. Medical Attention or Special Treatment Needed

Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water).

### SECTION 5: Fire-Fighting Measures

#### 5.1. Extinguishing Media

Use any means suitable for extinguishing surrounding fire.

#### 5.2. Specific Hazards Arising from the Substance or Mixture

Not considered to be a fire or explosion hazard.

#### 5.3. Special Protective Equipment for Firefighters

Use protective clothing and breathing equipment appropriate for the surrounding fire.

### SECTION 6: Accidental Release Measures

#### 6.1. Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment and Emergency Procedures

Wear protective gloves and eye protection.

#### 6.2. Cleanup and Containment Methods and Materials

Absorb with suitable material and dispose of in accordance with local regulations.

### SECTION 7: Handling and Storage

#### 7.1. Precautions for Safe Handling and Storage Conditions

Store locked up. As with all chemicals, wash hands thoroughly after handling. Avoid contact with eyes and skin. Protect from freezing and physical damage.



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### SECTION 8: Exposure Controls / Personal Protection

#### 8.1. Control Parameters

Chemical Name	Limit Type	Country	Exposure Limit	Information Source
Boric Acid (10043-35-3)	TLV-STEL	USA	6 mg/m <sup>3</sup> STEL (inhalable fraction, listed under Borate compounds, inorganic)	ACGIH - Threshold Limit Values - Short Term Exposure Limits (TLV-STEL)
Boric Acid (10043-35-3)	TLV-STEL	USA	6 mg/m <sup>3</sup> STEL (inhalable fraction)	ACGIH - Threshold Limit Values - Short Term Exposure Limits (TLV-STEL)
Boric Acid (10043-35-3)	TLV-TWA	USA	2 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA (inhalable fraction, listed under Borate compounds, inorganic)	ACGIH - Threshold Limit Values - Time Weighted Averages (TLV-TWA)
Boric Acid (10043-35-3)	TLV-TWA	USA	2 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA (inhalable fraction)	ACGIH - Threshold Limit Values - Time Weighted Averages (TLV-TWA)

#### 8.2. Exposure Controls

**Engineering Controls:** No specific controls are needed. Normal room ventilation is adequate.

**Respiratory Protection:** Normal room ventilation is adequate.

**Skin Protection:** Wear protective gloves and eye protection. Chemical resistant gloves.

**Eye Protection:** Wear protective gloves and eye protection. Safety glasses or goggles.

#### 8.3. Personal Protective Equipment

Wear protective gloves and eye protection. Normal room ventilation is adequate. Chemical resistant gloves. Safety glasses or goggles.



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### SECTION 9: Physical and Chemical Properties

#### 9.1. Basic Physical and Chemical Properties

**Appearance:** Colorless liquid

**Physical State:** Liquid

**Odor:** Data not available.

**Odor Threshold:** Data not available.

**pH:** 4.5 - 5

**Melting/Freezing Point:** Approximately 0°C

**Initial Boiling Point /Range:** Approximately 100°C - Approximately 100°C

**Flash Point:** Data not available.

**Evaporation Rate:** Data not available.

**Flammability:** Data not available.

**Flammability/Explosive Limits:** Data not available.

**Vapor Pressure:** Data not available.

**Vapor Density:** Data not available.

**Relative Density:** 1.02

**Solubility:** Miscible

**Partition Coefficient (n-Octanol/Water):** Data not available.

**Auto-Ignition Temperature:** Data not available.

**Decomposition Temperature:** Data not available.

**Viscosity:** Data not available.

**Explosive Properties:** Data not available.

**Oxidizing Properties:** Data not available.

### SECTION 10: Stability and Reactivity

#### 10.1. Reactivity and Chemical Stability

Stable under normal conditions of use and storage.

#### 10.2. Possibility of Hazardous Reactions

Data not available.

#### 10.3. Conditions to Avoid and Incompatible Materials

Alkalis, Hydroxides

#### 10.4. Hazardous Decomposition Products

Will not occur.



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### SECTION 11: Toxicological Information

#### 11.1. Information on Toxicological Effects

**Acute Toxicity - Oral Exposure:**

Not applicable.

**Acute Toxicity - Dermal Exposure:**

Not applicable.

**Acute Toxicity - Inhalation Exposure:**

Not applicable.

**Acute Toxicity - Other Information:**

LD50, Oral, Rat: (Boric Acid) 2660 mg/kg, details of toxic effects not reported other than lethal dose value; LdLo, Oral, Woman: 200 mg/kg (Boric Acid), behavioral and gastrointestinal effects noted.

**Skin Corrosion and Irritation:**

Not applicable.

**Serious Eye Damage and Irritation:**

Not applicable.

**Respiratory Sensitization:**

Not applicable.

**Skin Sensitization:**

Not applicable.

**Germ Cell Mutagenicity:**

Not applicable.

**Carcinogenicity:**

Not applicable.

**Reproductive Toxicity:**

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**Specific Target Organ Toxicity from Single Exposure:**

Causes damage to organs. Do not breathe dust, fumes or mist. Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. IF exposed: Call a POISON CENTER or physician. Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water). Store locked up. Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

**Specific Target Organ Toxicity from Repeated Exposure:**

Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure. Do not breathe dust, fumes or mist. Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Get medical attention if you feel unwell. Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.



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**Aspiration Hazard:**

Not applicable.

**Additional Toxicology Information:**

Data not available.

### SECTION 12: Ecological Information

**12.1. Ecotoxicity**

Not applicable.

**12.2. Persistence and Degradability**

Data not available.

**12.3. Bioaccumulative Potential**

Data not available.

**12.4. Mobility in Soil**

Data not available.

**12.5. Other Adverse Ecological Effects**

Data not available.

### SECTION 13: Disposal Considerations

**13.1. Waste Treatment Methods**

Data not available.

### SECTION 14: Transportation Information

**14.1. Transportation by Land - Department of Transportation (DOT, United States of America)**

Not regulated according to DOT Regulations.



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Not regulated according to IATA Regulations.

### SECTION 15: Regulatory Information

#### 15.1. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Hazards

Not listed.

#### 15.2. Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) 302 Extremely Hazardous Substances

Not listed.

#### 15.3. Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) 311/312 Hazardous Chemicals

Not listed.

#### 15.4. Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) 313 Toxic Release Inventory (TRI)

Not listed.

#### 15.5. Massachusetts Right-to-Know Substance List

Not listed.

#### 15.6. Pennsylvania Right-to-Know Hazardous Substances

Water (CAS # 7732-18-5): Present

#### 15.7. New Jersey Worker and Community Right-to-Know Components

Boric Acid (CAS # 10043-35-3): sn 0240

#### 15.8. California Proposition 65

Not listed.

#### 15.9. Canada Domestic Substances List / Non-Domestic Substances List (DSL/NDSL)

Boric Acid (CAS # 10043-35-3): Present (DSL)

Water (CAS # 7732-18-5): Present (DSL)

#### 15.10. United States of America Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) List

Boric Acid (CAS # 10043-35-3): Present

Water (CAS # 7732-18-5): Present





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**15.11. European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances (EINECS),  
European List of Notified Chemical Substances (ELINCS), and No Longer Polymers (NLP)**  
Not listed.

### SECTION 16: Other Information

#### 16.1. Full Text of Hazard Statements and Precautionary Statements

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IF exposed: Call a POISON CENTER or physician. Get medical attention if you feel unwell. Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water).

Store locked up.

Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

#### 16.2. Miscellaneous Hazard Classes

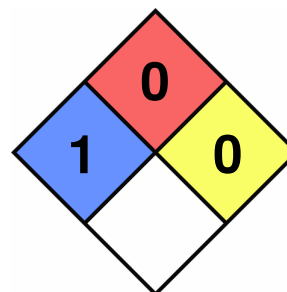
**Canadian Carcinogenicity Hazard Class:** Not Applicable.

**Physical Hazards Not Otherwise Classified (PHNOC):** Not Applicable.

**Health Hazards Not Otherwise Classified (HHNOC):** Not Applicable.  
Not Applicable.

#### 16.3. National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Rating

**Health:** 1  
**Flammability:** 0  
**Reactivity:** 0  
**Special Hazard:**





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### 16.4. Document Revision

**Last Revision Date:** 5/1/2015

### DISCLAIMER

When handled properly by qualified personnel, the product described herein does not present a significant health or safety hazard. Alteration of its characteristics by concentration, evaporation, addition of other substances, or other means may present hazards not specifically addressed herein and which must be evaluated by the user. The information furnished herein is believed to be accurate and represents the best data currently available to us. No warranty, expressed or implied, is made and RICCA CHEMICAL COMPANY assumes no legal responsibility or liability whatsoever resulting from its use.