

AUSTRALIAN CHEMICAL REAGENTS  
**SAFETY DATA SHEET**

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## 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

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Product Name: Buffer Solution pH 10 Colour Coded Blue  
Product Code: 0116  
Other Names: nil  
Uses: Analytical Reagent

Supplier: Australian Chemical Reagents  
38-50 Bedford Street Gillman SA 5013

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## 2. HAZARDS INFORMATION

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**Hazard classification:** Classified as non-Hazardous according to the Globally Harmonised System of classification and labelling of Chemicals (GHS) including Work, Health and Safety regulations, Australia.

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## 3. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

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### Ingredients :

Chemical Entity	CAS No	Proportion
Sodium Tetraborate	[ 1330-43-4 ]	<10%
Sodium Hydroxide	[1310-73-2 ]	<1%
Water	[7732-18-5]	to 100%

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## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

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Safety showers and eye wash facilities should be provided.

### **Swallowed :**

If conscious wash out mouth with water. Seek medical advice. Show this SDS to medical practitioner.

### **Eye :**

Immediately hold eyelids open and flood with water for at least 15 minutes. Obtain medical aid. Show this SDS to medical practitioner.

### **Skin :**

Remove contaminated clothing. Immediately wash skin thoroughly with water and mild soap. Seek medical advice if irritation persists. Show this SDS to medical practitioner. Launder clothing before reuse.

### **Inhaled :**

Remove from contaminated air. Maintain breathing with artificial respiration if necessary. Seek medical assistance. Show this SDS to a doctor.

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## 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

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### **Suitable Extinguishing Media:**

Water spray. Carbon dioxide, dry chemical powder, or appropriate foam.

### **Hazards From Combustion Products:**

Product will not burn or support combustion. Decomposition products include oxides of sodium and boron.

### **Precautions For Fire Fighters and Special Protective Equipment:**

Fire fighters and others who may be exposed to combustion products during fire should wear full protective clothing including positive pressure self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA). Wear SCBA with full face-piece, operated in positive pressure mode when fighting fires.

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## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

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### Emergency procedures:

Do not allow to enter waterways. Restrict access to area. Remove chemicals that can react with the spilled material.

### Methods and materials for containment and clean up:

Use inert material such as sand or earth to contain spill or leak. Absorb spills with chemical absorber or vermiculite and dispose of in accordance with local regulations.

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## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

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### Precautions for Safe Handling:

Do not get in eyes, on skin, on clothing. Avoid prolonged or repeated exposure.

### Conditions for Safe Storage:

Store sealed in original container away from foods and other chemicals. Do not store in direct sunlight. Observe good hygiene and housekeeping practices.

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## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

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### National Exposure Standards:

SWA Australia - Borates,tetra,sodium salts(decahydrate) - 5mg/m<sup>3</sup> TWA  
Sodium hydroxide - 2 mg/m<sup>3</sup> TWA & Peak limitation

**Biological Limit Values:** No data available.

### Engineering Controls:

Not required with normal use.

### Personal Protective Equipment (PPE):

The use of nitrile or neoprene gloves complying with AS 2161 and the use of faceshield, chemical goggles or safety glasses with side shield protection complying with AS/NZS 1337 is recommended.

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## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

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Appearance :	Clear blue liquid
Odour:	Nil
pH:	10
Boiling Point (°C) :	100
Freezing/melting Point:	0
Vapour Pressure (mm of Hg @ 25°C) :	Not applicable
Vapour Density:	Not applicable
Specific Gravity :	1
Flash Point (°C) :	Not flammable
Flammability Limits (%) :	Not flammable
Solubility in Water (g/L) :	Soluble

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## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

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### Chemical stability:

Stable.

### Conditions to avoid:

Excessive heat. Strong sunlight. Absorption of carbon dioxide.

**Incompatible materials:**

Acids, alkalis.

**Hazardous decomposition products:**

Refer to section 5 (Fire Fighting Measures).

**Hazardous reactions:**

Hazardous polymerization will not occur.

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**11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

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**Health Effects:**

**Swallowed** : May cause irritation of the gastric system. Ingestion of large quantities may cause severe vomiting, diarrhoea, shock or death. For sodium tetraborate LDLo : oral infant 1000mg/kg ,oral man 709mg/kg LD50 oral rat 2660mg/kg

**Eye** : May be irritating to eye tissue. For sodium hydroxide 500mg applied to rabbit skin produced severe irritation after 24 hours.

**Skin** : May irritate skin tissue. May be harmful by skin absorption.

**Inhaled** : Not considered a hazard with normal laboratory use. Mists may cause irritation of mucous membranes.

**Chronic Effects:** No data available

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**12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

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**Ecotoxicity:**

No data available.

**Persistence and degradability:**

No data available.

**Mobility:**

No data available.

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**13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

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Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material. Observe all federal, state and local environmental regulations.

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**14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

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**UN Number:** None allocated

**UN Proper Shipping Name:** None allocated

**Class and subsidiary risk(s):** None allocated

**Packing Group:** None allocated

**Hazchem Code:** None allocated

**Special precautions for user** : Nil

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**15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

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**Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP):**

Not Scheduled

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**16. OTHER INFORMATION**

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