

**Sodium Borohydride  
CAS No 16940-66-2****MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET  
SDS/MSDS****SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking****1.1 Product identifiers**Product name : **Sodium Borohydride**

CAS-No. : 16940-66-2

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

Identified uses : Laboratory chemicals, Industrial &amp; for professional use only.

**1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**Company : Pallav Chemicals & Solvents Pvt. Ltd  
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**SECTION 2: Hazards identification****2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture****Classification according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008**

Substances and mixtures, which in contact with water, emit flammable gases (Category 1), H260

Acute toxicity, Oral (Category 3), H301

Skin corrosion (Category 1B), H314

Reproductive toxicity (Category 1B), H360F

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

**2.2 Label elements****Labelling according Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008**

Pictogram

Signal word : Danger

Hazard statement(s)

H260

In contact with water releases flammable gases which may ignite spontaneously.

H301

Toxic if swallowed.

H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
H360F	May damage fertility.
Precautionary statement(s)	
P201	Obtain special instructions before use.
P231 + P232	Handle under inert gas. Protect from moisture.
P280	Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.
P308 + P313	IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/ attention.
P370 + P378	In case of fire: Use dry powder or dry sand to extinguish.
P402 + P404	Store in a dry place. Store in a closed container.
Supplemental Hazard information (EU)	
EUH014	Reacts violently with water.

### 2.3 Other hazards

This substance/mixture contains no components considered to be either persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic (PBT), or very persistent and very bioaccumulative (vPvB) at levels of 0.1% or higher.

## SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

### 3.1 Substances

Synonyms	:	Sodium tetrahydridoborate
Formula	:	H4BNa
Molecular weight	:	37,83 g/mol
CAS-No.	:	16940-66-2
EC-No.	:	241-004-4

#### Hazardous ingredients according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

Component		Classification	Concentration
<b>Sodium borohydride</b>			
CAS-No.	16940-66-2	Water-react. 1; Acute Tox. 3;	<= 100 %
EC-No.	241-004-4	Skin Corr. 1B; Repr. 1B; H260, H301, H314, H360F	
Concentration limits:			
>= 3,4 %: Repr. 1B, H360F;			

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

Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

#### If inhaled

If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Consult a physician.

#### In case of skin contact

Take off contaminated clothing and shoes immediately. Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Take victim immediately to hospital. Consult a physician.

#### In case of eye contact

Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and consult a physician.

#### If swallowed

Do NOT induce vomiting. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. Consult a physician.

- 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**  
Dry powder
- 5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture** Borane/boron oxides, Sodium 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**  
Wear respiratory protection. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapours, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Avoid breathing dust. For personal protection see section 8.
- 6.2 Environmental precautions**  
Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains.
- 6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up**  
Sweep up and shovel. Contain spillage, and then collect with an electrically protected vacuum cleaner or by wet-brushing and place in container for disposal according to local regulations (see section 13). Do not flush with water. 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**  
Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid formation of dust and aerosols. Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed. Keep away from sources of ignition - No smoking.  
For precautions see section 2.2.
- 7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**  
Store in cool place. Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Never allow product to get in contact with water during storage.  
  
Air and moisture sensitive. Store under inert gas.  
Storage class (TRGS 510): Hazardous materials, which set free flammable gases upon contact with water
- 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

#### Components with workplace control parameters

### 8.2 Exposure controls

#### Appropriate engineering controls

Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling the product.

#### Personal protective equipment

##### Eye/face protection

Face shield and safety glasses 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.

##### Body Protection

Complete suit protecting against chemicals, Flame retardant protective clothing, The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

##### Respiratory protection

Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a full-face particle respirator type N100 (US) or type P3 (EN 143) respirator cartridges as a backup to engineering controls. If the respirator is the sole means of protection, use a full-face supplied air respirator. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

##### Control of environmental exposure

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains.

## SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

### 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

- |   |                                  |
|---|----------------------------------|
| a) Appearance                                   | Form: powder<br>Colour: white    |
| b) Odour  | No data available                |
| c) Odour Threshold                              | No data available                |
| d) pH   | No data available                |
| e) Melting point/freezing point                 | Melting point/range: ca.400 °C   |
| f) Initial boiling point and boiling range      | No data available                |
| g) Flash point                                  | No data available                |
| h) Evaporation rate                             | No data available                |
| i) Flammability (solid, gas)                    | No data available                |
| j) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits | Lower explosion limit: 3,02 %(V) |
| k) Vapour pressure                              | No data available                |
| l) Vapour density                               | No data available                |

m) Relative density	No data available
n) Water solubility	55 g/l at 25 °C - soluble
o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	No data available
p) Auto-ignition 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

Bulk density 1.074 kg/m<sup>3</sup> at 20 °C

## 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

Reacts violently with water.

### 10.4 Conditions to avoid

Exposure to moisture

### 10.5 Incompatible materials

Oxidizing agents, Chemically active metals, acids, Reacts violently with water.

### 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 - 162 mg/kg

LD50 Dermal - Rabbit - 4.000 - 8.000 mg/kg

#### Skin corrosion/irritation

Skin - Human

Result: Corrosive

#### Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Eyes - Human

Result: Corrosive to eyes

#### Respiratory or skin sensitisation

No data available

#### Germ cell mutagenicity

No data available

#### Carcinogenicity

IARC: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.

#### Reproductive toxicity

Clear evidence of adverse effects on sexual function and fertility, based on animal experiments.

**Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure**

No data available

**Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure**

No data available

**Aspiration hazard**

No data available

**Additional Information**

RTECS: ED3325000

Material is extremely destructive to tissue of the mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract, eyes, and skin., spasm, inflammation and edema of the larynx, spasm, inflammation and edema of the bronchi, pneumonitis, pulmonary edema, burning sensation, Cough, wheezing, laryngitis, Shortness of breath, Headache, Nausea, Vomiting, To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

**SECTION 12: Ecological information****12.1 Toxicity**

Toxicity to fish                      mortality LC50 - Gambusia affinis (Mosquito fish) - 5.600 mg/l - 96 h

**12.2 Persistence and degradability**

No data available

**12.3 Bioaccumulative potential**

No data available

**12.4 Mobility in soil**

No data available

**12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**

This substance/mixture contains no components considered to be either persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic (PBT), or very persistent and very bioaccumulative (vPvB) at levels of 0.1% or higher.

**12.6 Other adverse effects**

No data available

**SECTION 13: Disposal considerations****13.1 Waste treatment methods****Product**

Burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber but exert extra care in igniting as this material is highly flammable. Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company.

**Contaminated packaging**

Dispose of as unused product.

**SECTION 14: Transport information****14.1 UN number**

ADR/RID: 1426

IMDG: 1426

IATA: 1426

**14.2 UN proper shipping name**

ADR/RID: SODIUM BOROHYDRIDE

IMDG: SODIUM BOROHYDRIDE

IATA: Sodium borohydride

Passenger Aircraft: Not permitted for transport

**14.3 Transport hazard class(es)**

ADR/RID: 4.3

IMDG: 4.3

IATA: 4.3

**14.4 Packaging group**

ADR/RID: I

IMDG: I

IATA: I

**14.5 Environmental hazards**

ADR/RID: no

IMDG Marine pollutant: no

IATA: no

**14.6 Special precautions for user**

No data available

**SECTION 15: Regulatory information**

This safety datasheet complies with the requirements of Regulation (EC) No. 453/2010.

**15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture****15.2 Chemical Safety Assessment**

For this product a chemical safety assessment was not carried out

**SECTION 16: Other information****Full text of H-Statements referred to under sections 2 and 3.**

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**Further information**

The above information is believed to be correct but does not purport to be all inclusive and shall be used only as a guide. The information in this document is based on the present state of our knowledge and is applicable to the product with regard to appropriate safety precautions. It does not represent any guarantee of the properties of the product. Pallav Chemicals & Solvents Pvt. Ltd and its Affiliates shall not be held liable for any damage resulting from handling or from contact with the above product. See [www.pallavchemicals.com](http://www.pallavchemicals.com) for additional terms and conditions of sale.