

## Safety Data Sheet



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### 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE OR MIXTURE AND OF THE SUPPLIER

Product identifier used on the label: Twenty Mule Team Borax

Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use: Universal, Use only as intended, read product label.

Name, address and telephone number of the chemical distributor:

Henkel Corporation  
One Henkel Way  
Rocky Hill, Connecticut 06067

Telephone: For medical emergencies 1-833-359-6299 For transportation CHEMTREC: 1-800-424-9300 . Internet: [www.henkel-northamerica.com](http://www.henkel-northamerica.com)

### 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Globally Harmonized System Safety Data Sheets (SDS) are required to be readily accessible to employees for all hazardous chemicals in the workplace. This SDS provides additional information for safe handling of the product and may contain health hazard information not relevant to consumer use. For information regarding consumer application of this product, refer to the product label.

| HAZARD CLASS          | HAZARD CATEGORY |
|-----------------------|-----------------|
| EYE IRRITATION        | 2A              |
| REPRODUCTIVE TOXICITY | 2               |

Signal word: WARNING

Hazard Statement(s):

Causes serious eye irritation.

Suspected of damaging fertility or the unborn child.



Symbol(s):

Precautionary Statements:

Prevention:

Obtain special instructions before use.  
Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.

**Response:** Wash affected area thoroughly after handling.  
Wear protective gloves, clothing, eye and face protection.  
IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.  
IF exposed or concerned: Get medical attention.

**Storage:** If eye irritation persists: Get medical attention.  
Store locked up.

**Disposal:** Dispose of contents and/or container according to Federal, State/Provincial and local governmental regulations.

**Hazards not otherwise classified:** None known

Classification complies with OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200) and is consistent with the provisions of the United Nations Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labeling of Chemicals (GHS).

See Section 11 for additional toxicological information.

### 3. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

The following chemicals are classified as hazards in accordance with § 1910.1200.

| Chemical Name*                 | CAS Number (Unique Identifier) | Concentration    |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|
| Sodium tetraborate decahydrate | 1303-96-4                      | >= 90 - <= 100 % |

\* Exact percentages may vary or are trade secret. Concentration range is provided to assist users in providing appropriate protections.

Actual concentration or concentration range is withheld as a trade secret

### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

#### Description of necessary measures

**Inhalation:** Move to fresh air. In case of adverse health effects seek medical advice.

**Skin contact:** Rinse immediately with plenty of running water, seek medical advice if necessary. Remove contaminated clothes. Wash clothing before reuse.

**Eye contact:** Rinse immediately with plenty of running water, seek medical advice if necessary. Remove contact lenses, if present, after the first 5 minutes, and continue rinsing eye.

**Ingestion:** Rinse the mouth. Drink 1-2 glasses of water. Seek medical advice.

#### Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

After eye contact: Can cause mild to moderate eye irritation.

#### Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Treat symptomatically.

## 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

### Suitable (and unsuitable) extinguishing media

**Suitable extinguishing media:** All common extinguishing agents are suitable.

**Unsuitable extinguishing media:** None known

### Specific hazards arising from the chemical

None known

### Special protective equipment and precautions for fire-fighters

Use personal protective equipment and self-contained breathing apparatus.

## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

### Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Wear protective equipment. See advice in section 8

### Environmental precautions

Do not empty into drains / surface water / ground water / soil.

### Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Remove mechanically. Rinse away residue with plenty of water.

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

### Precautions for safe handling

Do not get in eyes. Do not ingest. Use with adequate ventilation. Do not reuse packaging for other usages Keep out of the reach of children.

### Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store in original containers in a cool dry area. Keep the containers tightly closed when not in use. Store away from excessive heat and incompatible substances.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

OSHA permissible exposure limit (PEL), American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH) Threshold Limit Value (TLV), American Industrial Hygiene Association (WEEL) Workplace Environmental Exposure Level and any other exposure limit used or recommended by the chemical manufacturer, importer, or employer preparing the safety data sheet, where available.

| Hazardous Component(s) | ACGIH TLV | OSHA PEL | AIHA WEEL | OTHER |
|------------------------|-----------|----------|-----------|-------|
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|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|------|------|
| Sodium tetraborate decahydrate | 2 mg/m3 TWA<br>Inhalable fraction. 6<br>mg/m3 STEL<br>Inhalable fraction. | None | None | None |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|------|------|

#### Appropriate engineering controls

Provide local exhaust or general dilution ventilation to keep exposure to airborne contaminants below the permissible exposure limits where mists or vapors may be generated.

#### Individual protection measures

|                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
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| <b>Respiratory:</b> | If respiratory protection is required, it must be based on the contamination levels found in the workplace, must not exceed the working limits of the respirator and be jointly approved by the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health and the Mine Safety and Health Administration (NIOSH-MSHA). |
| <b>Eye:</b>         | Not needed. Safety glasses with sideshields or chemical safety goggles should be worn if there is a risk of splashing.                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>Hand/Body:</b>   | Suitable protective gloves.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

|                                                 |                      |
|-------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Appearance:</b>                              | solid<br>white       |
| <b>Odor:</b>                                    | odourless            |
| <b>Odor threshold:</b>                          | Not available.       |
| <b>pH:</b>                                      | 9.3 Aqueous solution |
| <b>Melting point/ range:</b>                    | Not available.       |
| <b>Boiling point/range:</b>                     | Not available.       |
| <b>Flash point:</b>                             | Not applicable       |
| <b>Evaporation rate:</b>                        | Not available.       |
| <b>Flammable/Explosive limits - lower:</b>      | Not available.       |
| <b>Flammable/Explosive limits - upper:</b>      | Not available.       |
| <b>Vapor pressure:</b>                          | Not available.       |
| <b>Vapor density:</b>                           | Not available.       |
| <b>Solubility in water:</b>                     | soluble in water     |
| <b>Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water):</b> | Not available.       |
| <b>Autoignition temperature:</b>                | Not available.       |
| <b>Decomposition temperature:</b>               | Not available.       |
| <b>Viscosity:</b>                               | Not available.       |
| <b>VOC content:</b>                             | Not available.       |

## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

|                                            |                                                                                  |
|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Reactivity:</b>                         | Possible reaction with incompatible materials.                                   |
| <b>Chemical stability:</b>                 | Stable under recommended storage conditions.                                     |
| <b>Possibility of hazardous reactions:</b> | Hazardous polymerization does not occur under normal temperatures and pressures. |
| <b>Conditions to avoid:</b>                | None if used for intended purpose.                                               |
| <b>Incompatible materials:</b>             | None known.                                                                      |

**Hazardous decomposition products:**

None known

## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Likely routes of exposure including symptoms related to characteristics

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| <b>Inhalation:</b>        | Unlikely to occur due to the physical properties of the product.                                        |
| <b>Inhalation:</b>        | Dust may cause mucous membrane irritation with coughing, dryness and sore throat.                       |
| <b>Skin contact:</b>      | Repeated or prolonged excessive exposure may cause irritation.                                          |
| <b>Skin contact:</b>      | Prolonged and/or repeated skin contact with this product may cause irritation.                          |
| <b>Eye contact:</b>       | Causes eye irritation.                                                                                  |
| <b>Eye contact:</b>       | May cause moderate to severe irritation, with possibility of corneal injury if not removed promptly.    |
| <b>Ingestion:</b>         | Ingestion of large quantities may cause gastrointestinal irritation with nausea, vomiting and diarrhea. |
| <b>Ingestion:</b>         | May cause mild gastrointestinal irritation with nausea, vomiting, diarrhea and abdominal pain.          |
| <b>Physical/Chemical:</b> | No physical/chemical hazards are anticipated for this product.                                          |
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**Other relevant toxicity information:**

This product is a household product. The use of this product by consumers is safe under normal and reasonable foreseen use.

### Numerical measures of toxicity, including delayed and immediate effect

| Hazardous Component(s)         | LD50s and LC50s                                                                                                                                                           | Immediate and Delayed Health Effects                            |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sodium tetraborate decahydrate | Oral LD50 (RAT) = 396 - 689 mg/kg<br>Oral LD50 (RAT) = 5,660 mg/kg<br>Oral LD50 (RAT) = 396 mg/kg<br>Oral LD50 (RAT) = 5.66 g/kg<br>Dermal LD50 (RABBIT) = > 10,000 mg/kg | Irritant, Reproductive, Skin, Less weight gain and food intake. |

### Carcinogenicity information

| Hazardous Component(s)         | NTP Carcinogen | IARC Carcinogen | OSHA Carcinogen |
|--------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Sodium tetraborate decahydrate | No             | No              | No              |

**Carcinogenicity**

None of the ingredients in this product are listed as carcinogens by the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC), the National Toxicology Program (NTP) or the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA).

**Mutagenicity**

None of the ingredients in this product are known to cause mutagenicity.

**Toxicity for reproduction**

None of the ingredients in this product are known as reproductive, fetal, or developmental hazards.

## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Aquatic Toxicity:

This product is anticipated to be safe for the environment at concentrations predicted in household settings under normal use conditions.

### Toxicity to fish:

The aquatic toxicity profile of this product has not been determined.

**Toxicity to aquatic invertebrates:**

The aquatic toxicity profile of this product has not been determined.

**Toxicity to algae:**

The aquatic toxicity profile of this product has not been determined.

**Persistence and degradability**

The persistence and degradability of this product has not been determined.

**Bioaccumulative potential**

The bioaccumulation potential of this product has not been determined.

**Mobility in soil**

The mobility of this product (in soil and water) has not been determined.

### 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

**Description of waste residues:**

|                                |               |
|--------------------------------|---------------|
| <b>Hazardous waste number:</b> | Not regulated |
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**Safe handling and disposal methods:**

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| <b>Recommended method of disposal:</b> | Dispose of in accordance with local and national regulations. |
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| <b>Disposal of uncleaned packages:</b> | Dispose of in accordance with local and national regulations. |
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### 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

The information in this section is for reference only and should not take the place of a shipping paper (bill of lading) specific to an order. Please note that the proper shipping classification may vary by packaging, properties, and mode of transportation.

**U.S. Department of Transportation Ground (49 CFR)**

|                                  |               |
|----------------------------------|---------------|
| <b>Proper shipping name:</b>     | Not regulated |
| <b>Hazard class or division:</b> | None          |
| <b>Identification number:</b>    | None          |
| <b>Packing group:</b>            | None          |

#### International Air Transportation (ICAO/IATA)

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|---------------------------|---------------|
| Proper shipping name:     | Not regulated |
| Hazard class or division: | None          |
| Identification number:    | None          |
| Packing group:            | None          |

#### Water Transportation (IMO/IMDG)

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|---------------------------|---------------|
| Proper shipping name:     | Not regulated |
| Hazard class or division: | None          |
| Identification number:    | None          |
| Packing group:            | None          |

### 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

#### United States Regulatory Information

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|----------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| TSCA 8 (b) Inventory Status:     | All components are listed as active or are exempt from listing on the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) inventory. |
| TSCA 12 (b) Export Notification: | None above reporting de minimis                                                                                      |
| CERCLA/SARA Section 302 EHS:     | None above reporting de minimis.                                                                                     |
| CERCLA/SARA Section 311/312:     | Not available.                                                                                                       |
| CERCLA/SARA Section 313:         | None above reporting de minimis.                                                                                     |
| California Proposition 65:       | Not available.                                                                                                       |

#### Canada Regulatory Information

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| CEPA DSL/NDL Status: | All components are listed on or are exempt from listing on the Canadian Domestic Substances List. |
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### 16. OTHER INFORMATION

**DISCLAIMER:** The (M)SDS is intended to provide a brief summary of our knowledge and guidance regarding the use of this material. The information contained here has been compiled from sources considered to be dependable and is accurate to the best of the Company's knowledge. It is not meant to be an all-inclusive document on worldwide hazard communication regulations. This information is offered in good faith. Each user of this material needs to evaluate the conditions of use and design the appropriate protective mechanisms to prevent employee exposures, property damage or release to the environment.

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