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**1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION**

**1.1 Product Name:** **Borax (Sodium Borate) 5%, Saturated Alcoholic**  
**Part Number:** 1019  
**CAS-No.:** Not applicable  
**SDS Number:** 2430

**1.2 Recommended Use:** Laboratory Chemicals

**1.3 Company:** Newcomer Supply  
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 Contact CHEMTREC only in the event of  
 an emergency involving a chemical spill,  
 leak, fire, exposure or other accident.

**2. HAZARD(S) IDENTIFICATION**
**2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture**

**GHS Classification,** (in accordance with 29 CFR1910.1200)

Flammable liquid, Category 2

Acute toxicity (oral), Category 4

Acute toxicity (dermal), Category 4

Acute toxicity (inhalation), Category 4

Serious Eye Damage/Eye irritation, Category 2A

Skin irritation, Category 2

Specific Target Organ Toxicity – Single exposure, Category 2

Reproductive toxicity, Category 1B

**2.2 GHS Label elements**

**Signal Word** DANGER

**Pictogram**



**Hazard Statement(s):**

- Highly flammable liquid and vapour
- Harmful if swallowed
- Harmful in contact with skin
- Harmful if inhaled
- Causes serious eye irritation
- Causes skin irritation
- May cause damage to organs
- May damage fertility or the unborn child

**Precautionary Statement(s):**

**Prevention:**

- Obtain special instructions before use.
- Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.
- Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces – No smoking.
- Keep container tightly closed.
- Ground/bond container and receiving equipment.
- Use explosion-proof fume hood/electrical/ventilating/light/.../equipment.
- Use only non-sparking tools.
- Take precautionary measures against static discharge.
- Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.
- Wash skin thoroughly after handling.
- Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.

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- Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.
- Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.
- Response:**
- In case of fire use carbon dioxide, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam.
- IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.
- IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.
- Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.
- If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention.
- IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses if present and easy to do – continue rinsing.
- If eye irritation persists get medical advice/attention.
- IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.
- Rinse mouth.
- Specific treatment: see first aid measures in section 4.
- IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention.
- Storage:**
- Store in a well ventilated place. Keep cool.
- Store locked up.
- Disposal:**
- Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant.

**2.3 Description of any hazards not otherwise classified**                      None

**2.4 >1% of mixture with unknown acute toxicity**                                      None

### 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

**3.2 Mixture**  
**Hazardous Components**

Component		Concentration
Name	Ethyl Alcohol	
CAS-No.	64-17-5	50-55%
Name	Methyl Alcohol	
CAS-No.	67-56-1	2.4-3%
Name	Isopropyl Alcohol	
CAS-No.	67-63-0	2.4-3%
Name	Sodium Borate	
CAS-No.	1303-96-4	5%

**4.1 Description of necessary measures**

**Inhalation (breathing)**

IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention.

**Skin Contact**

IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention.

**Eye Contact**

IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses if present and easy to do – continue rinsing. If eye irritation persists get medical advice/attention.

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**Ingestion (swallowed)**

IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell. Rinse mouth.

**4.2 Most important symptoms and or effects, acute and delayed**

The most important symptoms/effects are presented in Section 2 and or Section 11.

**4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**

No data available

**5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES**
**5.1 Suitable extinguishing media**

Carbon dioxide, dry chemical, water spray, alcohol-resistant foam.

**5.2 Specific hazards arising from the substance or mixture**

No data available

**5.3 Protective equipment and precautions for fire-fighters**

Wear a positive-pressure self-contained breathing apparatus if necessary. Wear chemical resistant clothing as recommended by clothing manufacturer.

**NFPA Rating**

Health	Fire	Reactivity
hazard: 2	hazard: 3	hazard: 0

**6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**
**6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

Apply personal protective equipment (see Section 8). Use in a properly ventilated area. Avoid breathing vapors. Avoid skin contact. Avoid eye contact. Wash hands after use. In case of large spill, remove personnel to a safe area. Keep product away from heat, flame, ignition sources, and reactive materials. Avoid accumulation of vapor to form explosive concentration. Pay particular attention to low areas where vapor accumulates more easily.

**6.2 Methods and material for containment and cleaning up**

Apply personal protective equipment (see Section 8). Contain spill. Prevent further leakage if possible and safe to do so. Ensure proper ventilation. For small amounts, wipe or absorb spill using inert material and dispose of according to local regulations. For large amounts, evacuate area and limit access. Prevent entry of material into sewage drains and confined areas. Dispose of any contaminated materials according to local regulations. Eliminate sources of ignition.

**7. HANDLING AND STORAGE**
**7.1 Precautions for safe handling**

Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces – No smoking. Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.

**7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**

Refer to Section 2.2 for proper storage temperature. Store the tightly closed container in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area.

**8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION**
**8.1 Control Parameters**

Components with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace

Component	CAS-No.	Regulatory	Value	Parameters
Ethyl Alcohol	64-17-5	OSHA PEL	TWA	1000 ppm (1900 mg/m <sup>3</sup> )

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		ACGIH TLV	TWA	1000 ppm (1880 mg/m <sup>3</sup> )
		NIOSH REL	TWA	1000 ppm (1900 mg/m <sup>3</sup> )

Component	CAS-No.	Regulatory	Value	Parameters
Methyl Alcohol	67-56-1	OSHA PEL	TWA	200 ppm (980 mg/m <sup>3</sup> )
		ACGIH TLV	STEL	200 ppm (1,230 mg/m <sup>3</sup> )
		ACGIH TLV	STEL	50 ppm (1,230 mg/m <sup>3</sup> )
		NIOSH REL	TWA	200 ppm (980 mg/m <sup>3</sup> )
		NIOSH REL	STEL	250 ppm (980 mg/m <sup>3</sup> )

Component	CAS-No.	Regulatory	Value	Parameters
Isopropyl Alcohol	67-63-0	OSHA PEL	TWA	400 ppm (980 mg/m <sup>3</sup> )
		ACGIH TLV	TWA	400 ppm (983 mg/m <sup>3</sup> )
		ACGIH TLV	STEL	500 ppm (1,230 mg/m <sup>3</sup> )
		NIOSH REL	TWA	400 ppm (980 mg/m <sup>3</sup> )
		NIOSH REL	STEL	500 ppm (980 mg/m <sup>3</sup> )

Component	CAS-No.	Regulatory	Value	Parameters
Sodium Borate	1303-96-4	OSHA PEL	TWA	10 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
		ACGIH TLV	TWA	2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
		ACGIH TLV	STEL	6 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
		NIOSH REL	TWA	1 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

## 8.2 Exposure Controls

### Appropriate engineering controls

Use in a properly ventilated area. Remove/wash before reuse contaminated clothing. Wash hands upon exiting work premises. Use product in an appropriately designated fume hood. Take measures to keep concentrations below acceptable limits.

## 8.3 Personal Protective Equipment

### Eye/Face protection

Wear chemical safety goggles and/or a full face shield if splashing is possible. Keep eye wash fountain nearby.

### Skin Protection

Wear chemical-resistant gloves. Gloves should be resistant to components of product. Refer to glove manufacturer for appropriate type and glove thickness.

### Body Protection

No data available

### Respiratory Protection

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Respirators should only be used if the employer has implemented a written program that takes into account workplace conditions, requirements for worker training, respirator fit testing, and medical exams, as described in the OSHA Respiratory Protection Standard (29 CFR 1910.134).

Ethyl Alcohol: Where the potential exists for exposure over 1,000 ppm: use a NIOSH approved supplied-air respirator with a full facepiece operated in a pressure-demand or other positive-pressure mode. For increased protection use in combination with an auxiliary self-contained breathing apparatus or an emergency escape air cylinder.

Exposure to 3,300 ppm is immediately dangerous to life and health. If the possibility of exposure above 3,300 ppm exists, use a NIOSH approved self-contained breathing apparatus with a full facepiece operated in a pressure-demand or other positive-pressure mode equipped with an emergency escape air cylinder.

In case of emergency, entry into or escape from unknown concentrations select the highest level approved respiratory protection available.

**Other Information**

None

**9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**
**9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

Physical state	Clear, colorless liquid
Odor	Alcohol-like odor
Odor threshold	No data available
pH	No data available
Melting point/freezing point	No data available
Initial boiling point and boiling range	No data available
Flash point	No data available
Evaporation rate	No data available
Flammability (solid, gas)	Liquid is flammable
Upper flammability or explosive limits	No data available
Lower flammability or explosive limits	No data available
Vapor pressure	No data available
Vapor density	No data available
Relative density	No data available
Solubility(ies)	No data available
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	No data available
Auto-ignition temperature	No data available
Decomposition temperature	No data available
Viscosity	No data available

**10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**
**10.1 Reactivity**

No data available

**10.2 Chemical stability**

Stable in a closed container within label-specified storage temperature and expiration date.

**10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions**

No data available

**10.4 Conditions to avoid**

Heat, sparks, open flame, and ignition sources.

**10.5 Incompatible materials**

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Strong oxidizers, potassium dioxide, bromine pentafluoride, acetyl bromide, acetyl chloride, platinum, sodium concentrated sulfuric acid, potassium and hydrogen peroxides, platinum black, calcium hypochlorite, silver oxide, ammonia, nitric acid, mercuric nitrate, silver nitrate, magnesium perchlorate, isocyanates, mineral acids, and chloroform.

**10.6 Hazardous decomposition products**

Carbon dioxide and carbon monoxide may be released if product is heated to decomposition.

**11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION****11.1 Information on toxicological effects****Inhalation exposure**

Inhaling ethyl alcohol, methyl alcohol, and isopropyl alcohol can irritate the nose, throat and lungs causing coughing and/or shortness of breath.

**Oral exposure**

Oral exposure to ethyl alcohol, methyl alcohol, and isopropyl alcohol can cause headache, drowsiness, nausea and vomiting, and unconsciousness. It can also affect concentration and vision.

**Dermal exposure**

Contact can irritate the skin.

**Skin corrosion/irritation**

Prolonged or repeated exposure can cause drying and cracking of the skin with peeling, redness and itching.

**Serious eye damage/irritation**

Contact can irritate the eyes.

**Respiratory or skin sensitization**

No data available

**Germ cell mutagenicity**

No data available

**Reproductive toxicity**

Repeated oral exposure to ethyl alcohol may cause spontaneous abortions, as well as birth defects and other developmental problems. This condition is referred to as "fetal alcohol syndrome." There is limited evidence that oral exposure to ethyl alcohol may decrease fertility in males.

Developmental, subchronic and chronic toxicity studies show that the primary targets for borate toxicity are the developing fetus and the male reproductive system.

**Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure**

Exposure to ethyl alcohol may affect the liver and the nervous system.

**Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure**

No data available

**Aspiration hazard**

No data available

**Acute toxicity**

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Ethyl Alcohol:  
 LD50 rat oral 3450 mg/kg  
 LD50 mouse oral 7060 mg/kg  
 LC50 rat inhalation 20000 ppm/10H  
 LC50 mouse inhalation 20363 ppm/4H

**Carcinogenicity**

IARC: None of the components are listed  
 NTP: None of the components are listed  
 OSHA: None of the components are listed

**Additional information**

RTECS: No data available

**12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**
**12.1 Ecotoxicity**

No data available

**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 Other adverse effects**

No data available

**13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**
**13.1 Waste disposal methods**
**Contents**

Dispose of contents in a safe manner to comply with local, state and federal regulations. Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material.

**Contaminated packaging**

Dispose of packaging in a safe manner to comply with local, state and federal regulations. Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material.

**14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**
**14.1 DOT (US)**

<b>UN-Number</b>	1170
<b>Proper shipping name</b>	Ethanol solutions
<b>Hazard class</b>	3
<b>Packing group</b>	II
<b>Environmental hazards</b>	No data available

**15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**
**15.1** No data available

**16. OTHER INFORMATION**

Preparation Information  
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Action		Comment
Replaced	Store in a well ventilated place	with "Store
Added	IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell	
Replaced	Causes eye irritation	with "Cause
Added	If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention	
Replaced	Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray	with "Do nc
Removed	IF exposed or you feel unwell: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician	
Removed	IF ON SKIN: Gently wash with plenty of soap and water	
Replaced	Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse	with "Wash
Removed	Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell	in favor of '

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