

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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## SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

**Product Identifier:** (5N) 99.999% Zirconium Diboride

**Product Code:** ZR-B-05

**CAS Number:** 12045-64-6

**Relevant identified uses of the substance:** Scientific research and development

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## SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Classification of the substance or mixture

Classification according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

GHS02 Flame

Flam. Sol. 2 H228 Flammable solid.

Classification according to Directive 67/548/EEC or Directive 1999/45/EC

F; Highly flammable

R11: Highly flammable.

Information concerning particular hazards for human and environment:

N/A

Hazards not otherwise classified

No data available.

Label elements

Labelling according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

The substance is classified and labeled according to the CLP regulation.

Hazard pictograms



GHS02

Signal word: Warning

#### Hazard statements

H228 Flammable solid.

#### Precautionary statements

P210 Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. No smoking.

P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.

P240 Ground/bond container and receiving equipment.

P241 Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting/equipment.

P370+P378 In case of fire: Use for extinction: CO2, powder or water spray.

#### WHMIS classification

B4 - Flammable solid

#### Classification system

HMIS ratings (scale 0-4)

(Hazardous Materials Identification System)

HEALTH

FIRE

REACTIVITY

1

2

1

Health (acute effects) = 1

Flammability = 2

Physical Hazard = 1

Other hazards

Results of PBT and vPvB assessment:

PBT: N/A.

vPvB: N/A.

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## SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

#### Substances

CAS No. / Substance Name:

12045-64-6 Zirconium boride

Identification number(s):

EC number: 234-963-5

Additional information:

Zirconium is routinely found with a low level of hafnium since separation of the two elements is difficult.

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## SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

#### Description of first aid measures

If inhaled:

Supply fresh air. If not breathing, provide artificial respiration. Keep patient warm.

Seek immediate medical advice.

In case of skin contact:

Immediately wash with soap and water; rinse thoroughly.

Seek immediate medical advice.

In case of eye contact:

Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. Consult a physician.

If swallowed:

Seek medical treatment.

Information for doctor

Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed  
No information available.  
Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed  
No information available.

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## **SECTION 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES**

Extinguishing media  
Suitable extinguishing media  
Carbon dioxide, extinguishing powder or water spray. Fight larger fires with water spray or alcohol resistant foam.  
Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture  
If this product is involved in a fire, the following can be released:  
Metal oxide fume  
Boron oxide  
Advice for firefighters  
Protective equipment:  
Wear self-contained respirator.  
Wear fully protective impervious suit.

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## **SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures  
Wear protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.  
Ensure adequate ventilation  
Keep away from ignition sources  
Environmental precautions:  
Do not allow material to be released to the environment without official permits.  
Do not allow product to reach sewage system or any water course.  
Do not allow to penetrate the ground/soil.  
Methods and material for containment and cleanup:  
Keep away from ignition sources.  
Ensure adequate ventilation.  
Prevention of secondary hazards:  
Keep away from ignition sources.  
Reference to other sections  
See Section 7 for information on safe handling  
See Section 8 for information on personal protection equipment.  
See Section 13 for disposal information.

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## **SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE**

Handling  
Precautions for safe handling  
Keep container tightly sealed.  
Store in cool, dry place in tightly closed containers.  
Ensure adequate ventilation.  
Information about protection against explosions and fires:  
Protect against electrostatic charges.  
Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

## Storage

Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles:

Store in a cool location.

Information about storage in one common storage facility:

Store away from oxidizing agents.

Further information about storage conditions:

Keep container tightly sealed.

Store in cool, dry conditions in well-sealed containers.

Specific end use(s)

No information available.

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## SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Additional information about design of technical systems:

Properly operating chemical fume hood designed for hazardous chemicals and having an average face velocity of at least 100 feet per minute.

Control parameters

Components with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace:

Zirconium and compounds, as Zr

mg/m<sup>3</sup>

ACGIH TLV 10; 10-STEL, Not classifiable as human carcinogen

Australia TWA 5; 10-STEL

Austria MAK 5

Denmark TWA 5

Finland TWA 5

Korea TLV 5

Hungary 5-STEL

Poland TWA 5; 10-STEL

Russia 6-STEL

OSHA PEL 5

Additional information: No data

Exposure controls

Personal protective equipment

Follow typical general protective and industrial hygiene measures for handling chemicals.

Keep away from foodstuffs, beverages and feed.

Remove all soiled and contaminated clothing immediately.

Wash hands before breaks and at the end of work.

Breathing equipment:

Use suitable respirator when high concentrations are present.

Protection of hands:

Impervious gloves

Inspect gloves prior to use.

Suitability of gloves should be determined both by material and quality, the latter of which may vary by manufacturer.

Penetration time of glove material (in minutes)

No data available.

Eye protection: Safety glasses

Body protection: Protective work clothing

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## SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance:

Form: Powder

Odor: No data available.

Odor threshold: No data available.

pH: N/A.

Melting point/range: No data available.

Boiling point/range: No data available.

Sublimation temperature / start: No data available.

Flash point: N/A

Flammability (solid, gas): Highly flammable.

Ignition temperature: No data available.

Decomposition temperature: No data available.

Auto igniting: No data available.

Danger of explosion: No data available.

Explosion limits:

Lower: No data available.

Upper: No data available.

Vapor pressure: N/A.

Density: No data available.

Relative density: No data available.

Vapor density: N/A.

Evaporation rate: N/A.

Solubility in Water (H<sub>2</sub>O): No data available.

Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water): No data available.

Viscosity:

Dynamic: N/A.

Kinematic: N/A.

Other information

No further relevant information available

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## SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity

No data available.

Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:

Decomposition will not occur if used and stored according to specifications.

Possibility of hazardous reactions

No dangerous reactions known

Conditions to avoid

No information available.

Incompatible materials:

Oxidizing agents

Hazardous decomposition products:

Metal oxide fume

Boron oxide

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## SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity: N/A

LD/LC50 values that are relevant for classification: No data

Skin irritation or corrosion: Irritant to skin and mucous membranes.

Eye irritation or corrosion: Irritating effect.

Sensitization: No sensitizing effects known.

Germ cell mutagenicity: N/A

Carcinogenicity:

EPA-I: Data are inadequate for an assessment of human carcinogenic potential.

ACGIH A4: Not classifiable as a human carcinogen: Inadequate data on which to classify the agent in terms of its carcinogenicity in humans and/or animals.

Reproductive toxicity: N/A

Specific target organ system toxicity - repeated exposure: N/A

Specific target organ system toxicity - single exposure: N/A

Aspiration hazard: N/A

Subacute to chronic toxicity:

Inhalation of zirconium and zirconium compounds may cause pulmonary granulomas.

Subacute to chronic toxicity: N/A

Subacute to chronic toxicity:

Boron affects the central nervous system. Boron poisoning causes depression of the circulation, persistent vomiting and diarrhea, followed by profound shock and coma. The temperature may become subnormal and a scarletina form rash may cover the entire body.

Additional toxicological information:

To the best of our knowledge the acute and chronic toxicity of this substance is not fully known.

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## SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Toxicity

Aquatic toxicity:

No information available.

Persistence and degradability:

No information available.

Bioaccumulative potential:

No information available.

Mobility in soil:

No information available.

Additional ecological information:

General notes:

Do not allow material to be released to the environment without official permits.

Do not allow undiluted product or large quantities to reach ground water, water course or sewage system.

Avoid transfer into the environment.

Results of PBT and vPvB assessment:

PBT: N/A.

vPvB: N/A.

Other adverse effects

No information available.

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## SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste treatment methods

Recommendation:

Consult state, local or national regulations to ensure proper disposal.

Uncleaned packagings:

Recommendation:

Disposal must be made according to official regulations.

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## SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

UN-Number

DOT, IMDG, IATA

UN3178

UN proper shipping name

DOT

Flammable solid, inorganic, n.o.s. (Zirconium boride)

IMDG, IATA

FLAMMABLE SOLID, INORGANIC, N.O.S. (Zirconium boride)

Transport hazard class(es)

DOT

Class

4.1 Flammable solids, self-reactive substances and solid desensitised explosives.

Label

4.1

Class

4.1 (F3) Flammable solids, self-reactive substances and solid desensitised explosives

Label

4.1

IMDG, IATA

Class

4.1 Flammable solids, self-reactive substances and solid desensitised explosives.

Label

4.1

Packing group

DOT, IMDG, IATA

III

Environmental hazards: N/A.

Special precautions for user

Warning: Flammable solids, self-reactive substances and solid desensitised explosives

Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code

N/A.

Transport/Additional information:

DOT

Marine Pollutant (DOT):

No

UN "Model Regulation":

UN3178, Flammable solid, inorganic, n.o.s. (Zirconium boride), 4.1, III

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## SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

#### National regulations

All components of this product are listed in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Toxic Substances Control Act Chemical substance Inventory.

All components of this product are listed on the Canadian Non-Domestic Substances List (NDSL).

SARA Section 313 (specific toxic chemical listings)

Substance is not listed.

California Proposition 65

Prop 65 - Chemicals known to cause cancer

Substance is not listed.

Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity

Substance is not listed.

Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity, female

Substance is not listed.

Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity, male

Substance is not listed.

Information about limitation of use:

For use only by technically qualified individuals.

Other regulations, limitations and prohibitive regulations

Substance of Very High Concern (SVHC) according to the REACH Regulations (EC) No. 1907/2006.

Substance is not listed.

The conditions of restrictions according to Article 67 and Annex XVII of the Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 (REACH) for the manufacturing, placing on the market and use must be observed.

Substance is not listed.

Annex XIV of the REACH Regulations (requiring Authorisation for use)

Substance is not listed.

REACH - Pre-registered substances

Substance is listed.

Chemical safety assessment:

A Chemical Safety Assessment has not been carried out.

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## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

Safety Data Sheet according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 (REACH). 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. American Elements shall not be held liable for any damage resulting from handling or from contact with the above product. See reverse side of invoice or packing slip for additional terms and conditions of sale. COPYRIGHT 1997-2022 AMERICAN ELEMENTS. LICENSED GRANTED TO MAKE UNLIMITED PAPER COPIES FOR INTERNAL USE ONLY.