

TECHNAFLORA PLANT PRODUCTS LTD.

Material Safety Data Sheet

BC Boost

1. Product and company identification

Common name : BC Boost
Material uses : Hydroponic nutrients.
Supplier/Manufacturer : Technaflora Plant Products Ltd.
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2. Hazards identification

Physical state : Liquid.
Odor : Odorless.
Color : Slightly amber.
Hazard status : This material is classified as hazardous under OSHA regulations.
Emergency overview : CAUTION !
MAY CAUSE RESPIRATORY TRACT, EYE AND SKIN IRRITATION.
Follow good industrial hygiene practice.
Routes of entry : Dermal contact. Eye contact. Inhalation. Ingestion.
Potential acute health effects
Eyes : May cause eye irritation.
Skin : May cause skin irritation upon contact.
Inhalation : No known significant effects or critical hazards.
Ingestion : No known significant effects or critical hazards.
Potential chronic health effects : Carcinogenic effects: Not classified or listed by IARC, NTP, OSHA, EU and ACGIH.
Mutagenic effects: Not available.
Teratogenic effects: Not available.
Medical conditions aggravated by over-exposure : Repeated skin exposure can produce local skin destruction or dermatitis. Repeated or prolonged exposure to the substance can produce lung damage. Repeated or prolonged contact with spray or mist may produce chronic eye irritation and severe skin irritation.
Repeated or prolonged exposure to the substance can produce target organ damage.

See toxicological information (section 11)

3. Composition/information on ingredients

United States

Name	CAS number	%
Calcium Nitrate Tetrahydrate	13477-34-4	10 - 30
Potassium nitrate	7757-79-1	1 - 5

4 . First aid measures

- Eye contact** : Check for and remove any contact lenses. In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
- Skin contact** : Wash with soap and water. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
- Inhalation** : If inhaled, remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Get medical attention if symptoms appear.
- Ingestion** : Do not induce vomiting. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Get medical attention if symptoms appear.
- Notes to physician** : No specific antidote. Medical staff must contact Poison Control Center.

5 . Fire-fighting measures

- Flammability of the product** : Non-flammable.
- Extinguishing media**
- Suitable** : Use an extinguishing agent suitable for the surrounding fire.
- Not suitable** : None known.
- Special exposure hazards** : No specific hazard.
- Special protective equipment for fire-fighters** : Fire-fighters should wear appropriate protective equipment and self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) with a full face-piece operated in positive pressure mode.

6 . Accidental release measures

- Personal precautions** : Use suitable protective equipment.
- Environmental precautions** : Avoid dispersal of spilled material, runoff and contact with soil, waterways, drains and sewers.
- Methods for cleaning up** : For small spills, add absorbent (soil may be used in the absence of other suitable materials), scoop up material and place in a sealable, liquid-proof container for disposal. For large spills, dike spilled material or otherwise contain material to ensure runoff does not reach a waterway. Place spilled material in an appropriate container for disposal.

7 . Handling and storage

- Handling** : Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Keep container closed. Use only with adequate ventilation. Avoid breathing vapor or mist. Wash thoroughly after handling.
- Storage** : Keep container tightly closed. Keep container in a cool, well-ventilated area.

8 . Exposure controls/personal protection

Consult local authorities for acceptable exposure limits.

- Engineering measures** : No special ventilation requirements. Good general ventilation should be sufficient to control airborne levels. If this product contains ingredients with exposure limits, use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation or other engineering controls to keep worker exposure below any recommended or statutory limits.

Personal protection

- Eyes** : Safety glasses.
- Skin** : Lab coat.
- Respiratory** : A respirator is not needed under normal and intended conditions of product use.
- Hands** : Nitrile rubber.



HMIS Code/Personal protective equipment : B

Personal protection in case of a large spill : Safety glasses, goggles or face shield. Impervious gloves. Full suit. Boots. Wear NIOSH-approved self-contained breathing apparatus or equivalent and full protective gear.

Hygiene measures : Wash hands, forearms and face thoroughly after handling compounds and before eating, smoking and using the lavatory and at the end of the day. Follow good industrial hygiene practice.

9 . Physical and chemical properties

Physical state : Liquid.

Color : Slightly amber.

Odor : Odorless.

pH : 5.5 to 6.5 [Acidic.]

Boiling/condensation point : The lowest known value is 100°C (212°F) (Water).

Melting/freezing point : May start to solidify at 0°C (32°F) based on data for: Water.

Relative density : Weighted average: 1.14 (Water = 1)

Vapor pressure : The highest known value is 2.3 kPa (17.5 mm Hg) (at 20°C) (Water).

Vapor density : The highest known value is 0.62 (Air = 1) (Water).

Evaporation rate : 0.36 (Water) compared with Butyl acetate.

Solubility : Highly soluble in water.

10 . Stability and reactivity

Stability and reactivity : The product is stable.

Incompatibility with various substances : Reactive with combustible materials, organic materials and acids. Slightly reactive or incompatible with the following materials: reducing materials and moisture.

Hazardous polymerization : Will not occur.

Conditions of reactivity : None known.

11 . Toxicological information

Product/ingredient name	Toxicity data			Species
	Test	Result	Route	
Calcium Nitrate Tetrahydrate	LD50	3900 mg/kg	Oral	Rat
Potassium nitrate	LD50	3750 mg/kg	Oral	Rat
	LD50	1901 mg/kg	Oral	Rabbit

Acute Effects

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Skin : May cause skin irritation upon contact.

Inhalation : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Ingestion : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Potential chronic health effects : Carcinogenic effects: Not classified or listed by IARC, NTP, OSHA, EU and ACGIH.
Mutagenic effects: Not available.
Teratogenic effects: Not available.

Target organs : Contains material which may cause damage to the following organs: mucous membranes.

12 . Ecological information

Product/ingredient name	Ecotoxicity data		
	Species	Period	Result
Potassium nitrate	Poecilia reticulata (LC50)	96 hour(s)	180 mg/l
	Poecilia reticulata (LC50)	96 hour(s)	188 mg/l
	Poecilia reticulata (LC50)	96 hour(s)	191 mg/l
	Poecilia reticulata (LC50)	96 hour(s)	200 mg/l

Environmental precautions : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Octanol/water partition coefficient : The product is more soluble in water.

Bioconcentration factor : Not available.

Products of degradation : These products are nitrogen oxides. Some metallic oxides.

Toxicity of the products of biodegradation : The product itself and its products of degradation are not toxic.

13 . Disposal considerations

Waste disposal : Dispose of according to all federal, state and local applicable regulations.

14 . Transport information

NAERG : Not applicable.

Regulatory information

UN/ IMDG/IATA DOT : Not regulated.

15 . Regulatory information

United States

HCS Classification : Irritating material

U.S. Federal regulations : TSCA : All components listed.

SARA 302/304/311/312 extremely hazardous substances: No products were found.

SARA 302/304 emergency planning and notification: No products were found.

SARA 302/304/311/312 hazardous chemicals: Calcium Nitrate Tetrahydrate; Potassium nitrate

SARA 311/312 MSDS distribution - chemical inventory - hazard identification: Calcium Nitrate Tetrahydrate: Fire hazard, Immediate (acute) health hazard; Potassium nitrate: Fire hazard, Delayed (chronic) health hazard

Clean Water Act (CWA) 307: No products were found.

Clean Water Act (CWA) 311: No products were found.

Clean Air Act (CAA) 112 accidental release prevention: No products were found.

Clean Air Act (CAA) 112 regulated flammable substances: No products were found.

Clean Air Act (CAA) 112 regulated toxic substances: No products were found.

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	Product name	CAS number	Concentration
Form R - Reporting requirements	: Calcium Nitrate Tetrahydrate	13477-34-4	10 - 30
	: Potassium nitrate	7757-79-1	1 - 5
Supplier notification	: Calcium Nitrate Tetrahydrate	13477-34-4	10 - 30
	: Potassium nitrate	7757-79-1	1 - 5

SARA 313 notifications must not be detached from the MSDS and any copying and redistribution of the MSDS shall include copying and redistribution of the notice attached to copies of the MSDS subsequently redistributed.

State regulations : Pennsylvania RTK: Potassium nitrate: (generic environmental hazard)
 Massachusetts RTK: Potassium nitrate
 New Jersey: Potassium nitrate
 California prop. 65: No products were found.

International regulations

International lists : This product, (and its ingredients) is (are) listed on national inventories, or is (are) exempted from being listed, Australia (AICS), in Europe (EINECS/ELINCS), in Korea (TCCL), in Japan (METI), in the Philippines (RA6969).

16 . Other information

Label requirements (U.S.A.) : MAY CAUSE RESPIRATORY TRACT, EYE AND SKIN IRRITATION.

Hazardous Material Information System (U.S.A.) :

HMIS RATING	
Health	1
Fire hazard	0
Physical Hazard	0
Personal protection	B

HAZARD RATINGS

4- Extreme
 3- Serious
 2- Moderate
 1- Slight
 0- Minimal

See section 8 for more detailed information on personal protection.

National Fire Protection Association (U.S.A.) :



References : ANSI Z400.1, MSDS Standard, 2004. - Manufacturer's Material Safety Data Sheet. - 29CFR Part1910.1200 OSHA MSDS Requirements. - 49CFR Table List of Hazardous Materials, UN#, Proper Shipping Names, PG.

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