

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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### 1. Identification

**Product Name** 1-n-Butyl-3-methylimidazoliumtetrafluoroborate

**Cat No. :** L19087

**CAS-No** 174501-65-6  
**Synonyms** No information available

**Recommended Use** Laboratory chemicals.  
**Uses advised against** Food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use.  
**Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**

**Company**

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**Emergency Telephone Number**

During normal business hours (Monday-Friday, 8am-7pm EST), call (800) 343-0660.  
After normal business hours, call Carechem 24 at (866) 928-0789.

### 2. Hazard(s) identification

**Classification**

This chemical is considered hazardous by the 2012 OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

Acute oral toxicity	Category 3
Skin Corrosion/Irritation	Category 2
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 2

**Label Elements**

**Signal Word**

Danger

**Hazard Statements**

Toxic if swallowed  
Causes skin irritation  
Causes serious eye irritation

**Precautionary Statements****Prevention**

Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling

Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product

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

**Skin**

IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water

If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention

Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse

**Eyes**

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

**Ingestion**

IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician

Rinse mouth

**Storage**

Store locked up

**Disposal**

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

**Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)**

Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects

### 3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
1-Butyl-3-methylimidazolium tetrafluoroborate	174501-65-6	>95

### 4. First-aid measures

<b>General Advice</b>	Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Eye Contact</b>	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. In the case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Do not use mouth-to-mouth method if victim ingested or inhaled the substance; give artificial respiration with the aid of a pocket mask equipped with a one-way valve or other proper respiratory medical device. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Do NOT induce vomiting. Call a physician or poison control center immediately.
<b>Most important symptoms and effects</b>	None reasonably foreseeable.
<b>Notes to Physician</b>	Treat symptomatically

## 5. Fire-fighting measures

**Suitable Extinguishing Media** Water spray, carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), dry chemical, alcohol-resistant foam.

**Unsuitable Extinguishing Media** No information available

**Flash Point** No information available  
**Method -** No information available

**Autoignition Temperature** No information available

**Explosion Limits**

**Upper** No data available

**Lower** No data available

**Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact** No information available

**Sensitivity to Static Discharge** No information available

**Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical**

Keep product and empty container away from heat and sources of ignition.

**Hazardous Combustion Products**

Nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>). Carbon monoxide (CO). Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>). Oxides of boron. Hydrogen fluoride.

**Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters**

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

**NFPA**

**Health**  
3

**Flammability**  
1

**Instability**  
1

**Physical hazards**  
N/A

## 6. Accidental release measures

**Personal Precautions** Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protective equipment as required. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Evacuate personnel to safe areas.

**Environmental Precautions** Should not be released into the environment. Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system.

**Methods for Containment and Clean Up** Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal. Soak up with inert absorbent material.

## 7. Handling and storage

**Handling** Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Use only under a chemical fume hood. Do not breathe mist/vapors/spray. Do not ingest. If swallowed then seek immediate medical assistance.

**Storage** Keep in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Refer product specification and/or product label for specific storage temperature requirement. Keep container tightly closed. Keep under nitrogen.

## 8. Exposure controls / personal protection

**Exposure Guidelines** This product does not contain any hazardous materials with occupational exposure limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies.

**Engineering Measures** Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

**Personal Protective Equipment**

<b>Eye/face Protection</b>	Wear appropriate protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles as described by OSHA's eye and face protection regulations in 29 CFR 1910.133 or European Standard EN166.
<b>Skin and body protection</b>	Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.
<b>Respiratory Protection</b>	No protective equipment is needed under normal use conditions.
<b>Hygiene Measures</b>	Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

**9. Physical and chemical properties**

<b>Physical State</b>	Liquid
<b>Appearance</b>	No information available
<b>Odor</b>	No information available
<b>Odor Threshold</b>	No information available
<b>pH</b>	No information available
<b>Melting Point/Range</b>	-71 °C / -95.8 °F
<b>Boiling Point/Range</b>	No information available
<b>Flash Point</b>	No information available
<b>Evaporation Rate</b>	No information available
<b>Flammability (solid,gas)</b>	Not applicable
<b>Flammability or explosive limits</b>	
<b>Upper</b>	No data available
<b>Lower</b>	No data available
<b>Vapor Pressure</b>	No information available
<b>Vapor Density</b>	No information available
<b>Specific Gravity</b>	1.2077
<b>Solubility</b>	No information available
<b>Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water</b>	No data available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	No information available
<b>Decomposition Temperature</b>	No information available
<b>Viscosity</b>	No information available
<b>Molecular Formula</b>	C <sub>8</sub> H <sub>15</sub> N <sub>2</sub> .BF <sub>4</sub>
<b>Molecular Weight</b>	226.02

**10. Stability and reactivity**

<b>Reactive Hazard</b>	None known, based on information available
<b>Stability</b>	Hygroscopic.
<b>Conditions to Avoid</b>	Incompatible products. Exposure to moist air or water.
<b>Incompatible Materials</b>	Strong oxidizing agents
<b>Hazardous Decomposition Products</b>	Nitrogen oxides (NO <sub>x</sub> ), Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ), Oxides of boron, Hydrogen fluoride
<b>Hazardous Polymerization</b>	No information available.
<b>Hazardous Reactions</b>	None under normal processing.

**11. Toxicological information****Acute Toxicity**

**Product Information**  
**Component Information**

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
1-Butyl-3-methylimidazolium tetrafluoroborate	>50-<300 mg/kg (Rat)	Not listed	Not listed

**Toxicologically Synergistic Products** No information available

**Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure**

**Irritation** Irritating to eyes and skin

**Sensitization** No information available

**Carcinogenicity** The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen.

Component	CAS-No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
1-Butyl-3-methylimidazolium tetrafluoroborate	174501-65-6	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

**Mutagenic Effects** No information available

**Reproductive Effects** No information available.

**Developmental Effects** No information available.

**Teratogenicity** No information available.

**STOT - single exposure** None known

**STOT - repeated exposure** None known

**Aspiration hazard** No information available

**Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed** No information available

**Endocrine Disruptor Information** No information available

**Other Adverse Effects** The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.

## 12. Ecological information

### Ecotoxicity

Harmful to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment. The product contains following substances which are hazardous for the environment.

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
1-Butyl-3-methylimidazolium tetrafluoroborate	Not listed	LC50 < 99.0 mg/L/96.0h (Danio rerio)	Not listed	EC50 5.2 mg/L/48h (Daphnia magna)

**Persistence and Degradability** Persistence is unlikely

**Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation** No information available.

**Mobility** No information available.

Component	log Pow
1-Butyl-3-methylimidazolium tetrafluoroborate	-0.31 @ 25°C

## 13. Disposal considerations

**Waste Disposal Methods** Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. Chemical waste generators must also consult local, regional, and national hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

## 14. Transport information

**DOT**

**UN-No** UN2810  
**Proper Shipping Name** TOXIC LIQUIDS, ORGANIC, N.O.S.  
**Technical Name** 1-Butyl-3-methylimidazolium tetrafluoroborate  
**Hazard Class** 6.1  
**Packing Group** III

**TDG**

**UN-No** UN2810  
**Proper Shipping Name** Toxic liquid, organic, n.o.s.  
**Hazard Class** 6.1  
**Packing Group** III

**IATA**

**UN-No** UN2810  
**Proper Shipping Name** Toxic liquid, organic, n.o.s.  
**Hazard Class** 6.1  
**Packing Group** III

**IMDG/IMO**

**UN-No** UN2810  
**Proper Shipping Name** Toxic liquid, organic, n.o.s.  
**Hazard Class** 6.1  
**Packing Group** III

## 15. Regulatory information

**United States of America Inventory**

Component	CAS-No	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active/Inactive	TSCA - EPA Regulatory Flags
1-Butyl-3-methylimidazolium tetrafluoroborate	174501-65-6	-	-	-

**Legend:**

TSCA - Toxic Substances Control Act, (40 CFR Part 710)

X - Listed

- - Not Listed

TSCA 12(b) - Notices of Export Not applicable

**International Inventories**

Canada (DSL/NDL), Europe (EINECS/ELINCS/NLP), Philippines (PICCS), Japan (ENCS), Australia (AICS), China (IECSC), Korea (ECL).

Component	CAS-No	DSL	NDL	EINECS	PICCS	ENCS	AICS	IECSC	KECL
1-Butyl-3-methylimidazolium tetrafluoroborate	174501-65-6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

**U.S. Federal Regulations**

**SARA 313** Not applicable  
**SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories** See section 2 for more information  
**CWA (Clean Water Act)** Not applicable  
**Clean Air Act** Not applicable  
**OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration** Not applicable  
**CERCLA** Not applicable

**California Proposition 65** This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals.

**U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations** Not applicable

**U.S. Department of Transportation**

Reportable Quantity (RQ): N

DOT Marine Pollutant N

DOT Severe Marine Pollutant N

**U.S. Department of Homeland Security** This product does not contain any DHS chemicals.

**Other International Regulations**

**Mexico - Grade** No information available

## 16. Other information

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