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**Benzoic Acid**

**SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the supplier**

**Product name:** Benzoic Acid

**Manufacturer/Supplier Trade name:**

**Manufacturer/Supplier Article number:** BZ6700-14G

**Recommended uses of the product and restrictions on use:** Laboratory chemicals

**Manufacturer Details:**

AquaPhoenix Scientific  
860 Gitts Run Road  
Hanover, PA 17331  
(717) 632-1291

**Supplier Details:**

AquaPhoenix Scientific, Inc  
860 Gitts Run Road  
Hanover, PA 17331  
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**Emergency telephone number:**

Emergency Telephone No.: 800-255-3924

**SECTION 2: Hazards identification**

**Classification of the substance or mixture:**



**Corrosive**

Serious eye damage, category 1



**Health hazard**

Specific target organ toxicity following repeated exposure, category 1



**Irritant**

Skin irritation, category 2

STOT RE 1.

Hazards Not Otherwise Classified - Combustible Dust.

Skin corrosion/irritation 2.

Acute Toxicity, Oral 4.

Serious eye damage or irritation 2A.

STOT SE 3, Respiratory Tract Irritation.

**Signal word:** Danger

**Hazard statements:**

Causes skin irritation.

Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

Harmful if swallowed.

Causes serious eye irritation.

May cause respiratory irritation.

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**Precautionary statements:**

If medical advice is needed have product container or label at hand.  
 Keep out of reach of children.  
 Read label before use.  
 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.  
 Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.  
 Wash thoroughly after handling.  
 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.  
 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.  
 IF ON SKIN: Wash with soap and water.  
 Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse.  
 If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention.  
 Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.  
 Specific treatment (see ... on this label).  
 Dispose of contents/container.

**Other Non-GHS Classification:** None

**SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients**

**Ingredients:**

Ingredients:		
CAS 65-85-0	Benzoic Acid	>99 %
Percentages are by weight		

**SECTION 4: First aid measures**

**Description of first aid measures**

**After inhalation:**

Move exposed individual to fresh air. Loosen clothing as necessary and position individual in a comfortable position. If breathing difficult, give oxygen. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Seek medical assistance.

**After skin contact:**

Wash affected area with soap and water. Rinse/flush exposed skin gently using water for 15-20 minutes. Seek medical advice if discomfort or irritation persists. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Wash clothes before reuse.

**After eye contact:**

Protect unexposed eye. Remove contact lens(es) if able to do so during rinsing. Seek immediate medical attention (ophthalmologist). immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes.

**After swallowing:**

Rinse mouth thoroughly. Do not induce vomiting. Have exposed individual drink sips of water. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Seek medical assistance.

**Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed:**

Irritation. Nausea. Headache. Shortness of breath. Diarrhea. Vomiting. Irritation/burns, all routes of exposure. May cause permanent eye injury. Prolonged or repeated skin contact may cause dermatitis.

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

If seeking medical attention, provide SDS document to physician. Notes to physician: Persons with asthma,

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chronic respiratory disease, skin disorders, eye problems or allergies may be at increased risk from exposure to this substance.

## **SECTION 5: Firefighting measures**

### **Extinguishing media**

#### **Suitable extinguishing agents:**

Carbon dioxide. Dry chemical powder. Alcohol foam. Polymer foam. If in laboratory setting, follow laboratory fire suppression procedures. Use appropriate fire suppression agents for adjacent combustible materials or sources of ignition.

#### **Unsuitable extinguishing agents:**

Water spray may be ineffective.

### **Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture:**

Combustion products may include carbon oxides or other toxic vapors. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors. Avoid generating dust; fine dust dispersed in air in sufficient concentrations, and in the presence of an ignition source is a potential dust explosion hazard.

### **Advice for firefighters:**

#### **Protective equipment:**

Use NIOSH-approved respiratory protection/breathing apparatus.

#### **Additional information (precautions):**

Move product containers away from fire or keep cool with water spray as a protective measure, where feasible. Use spark-proof tools and explosion-proof equipment.

## **SECTION 6: Accidental release measures**

### **Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures:**

Wear protective equipment. Transfer to a disposal or recovery container. Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Use spark-proof tools and explosion-proof equipment. Use respiratory protective device against the effects of fumes/dust/aerosol. Keep unprotected persons away. Ensure adequate ventilation. Keep away from ignition sources. Protect from heat. Stop the spill, if possible. Contain spilled material by diking or using inert absorbent.

### **Environmental precautions:**

Prevent from reaching drains, sewer or waterway. Collect contaminated soil for characterization per Section 13.

### **Methods and material for containment and cleaning up:**

If in a laboratory setting, follow Chemical Hygiene Plan procedures. Place into properly labeled containers for recovery or disposal. If necessary, use trained response staff/contractor. Dust deposits should not be allowed to accumulate on surfaces, as these may form an explosive mixture if they are released into the atmosphere in sufficient concentration. Avoid dispersal of dust in the air. Collect solids in powder form using vacuum with HEPA filter. Clean up spills immediately, observing precautions in Section 8.

### **Reference to other sections:** None

## **SECTION 7: Handling and storage**

### **Precautions for safe handling:**

Minimize dust generation and accumulation. Wash hands after handling. Avoid dispersal of dust in the air. Keep container tightly closed. Avoid ingestion and inhalation. Routine housekeeping should be instituted to ensure that dusts do not accumulate on surfaces. Dry powders can build static electricity charges when subjected to the friction of transfer and mixing operations. Follow good hygiene procedures when handling chemical materials. Do not eat, drink, smoke, or use personal products when handling chemical substances. If in a laboratory setting, follow Chemical Hygiene Plan. Use only in well ventilated areas. Avoid generation of dust or fine particulate. Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing.

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

Store in a cool location. Provide ventilation for containers. Avoid storage near extreme heat, ignition sources or open flame. Store away from foodstuffs. Store away from oxidizing agents. Store in cool, dry conditions in well sealed containers. Keep container tightly closed. Store with like hazards.

**SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection**



**Control parameters:**

, , OSHA PEL TWA (Total Dust) 15 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (50 mppcf\*).  
, , ACGIH TLV TWA (inhalable particles) 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup>.

**Appropriate engineering controls:**

Emergency eye wash fountains and safety showers should be available in the immediate vicinity of use/handling. Provide exhaust ventilation or other engineering controls to keep the airborne concentrations of vapor or dusts (total/respirable) below the applicable workplace exposure limits (Occupational Exposure Limits-OELs) indicated above. Use under a fume hood. It is recommended that all dust control equipment such as local exhaust ventilation and material transport systems involved in handling of this product contain explosion relief vents or an explosion suppression system or an oxygen deficient environment. Ensure that dust-handling systems (such as exhaust ducts, dust collectors, vessels, and processing equipment) are designed in a manner to prevent the escape of dust into the work area (i.e., there is no leakage from the equipment).

**Respiratory protection:**

Use suitable respiratory protective device when high concentrations are present. Use suitable respiratory protective device when aerosol or mist is formed. For spills, respiratory protection may be advisable. Not required under normal conditions of use with adequate ventilation.

**Protection of skin:**

The glove material has to be impermeable and resistant to the product/ the substance/ the preparation being used/handled. Selection of the glove material on consideration of the penetration times, rates of diffusion and the degradation.

**Eye protection:**

Safety glasses with side shields or goggles.

**General hygienic measures:**

The usual precautionary measures are to be adhered to when handling chemicals. Keep away from food, beverages and feed sources. Immediately remove all soiled and contaminated clothing. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of work. Do not inhale gases/fumes/dust/mist/vapor/aerosols. Avoid contact with the eyes and skin.

**SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties**

<b>Appearance (physical state, color):</b>	Crystalline powder	<b>Explosion limit lower:</b>	Not determined
		<b>Explosion limit upper:</b>	Not determined
<b>Odor:</b>	Pleasant odor	<b>Vapor pressure at 20°C:</b>	0.0012 mm Hg @ 25C
<b>Odor threshold:</b>	Not determined	<b>Vapor density:</b>	4.21 (air=1)
<b>pH-value:</b>	2.8 (satd soln)	<b>Relative density:</b>	Not determined
<b>Melting/Freezing point:</b>	122.4 deg C	<b>Solubilities:</b>	3.4 g/l @ 25C
<b>Boiling point/Boiling range:</b>	249.2C @ 760 mmHg	<b>Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water):</b>	Not determined

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<b>Flash point (closed cup):</b>	121C	<b>Auto/Self-ignition temperature:</b>	570C
<b>Evaporation rate:</b>	Negligible	<b>Decomposition temperature:</b>	Not determined
<b>Flammability (solid, gaseous):</b>	Not determined	<b>Viscosity:</b>	a. Kinematic: Not determined b. Dynamic: Not determined
<b>Density at 20°C:</b>	Not determined		

**SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity**

**Reactivity:** None

**Chemical stability:**

No decomposition if used and stored according to specifications.

**Possible hazardous reactions:** None

**Conditions to avoid:**

Store away from oxidizing agents, strong acids or bases. Dust generation. Excess heat.

**Incompatible materials:**

Strong bases. Strong oxidizing and reducing agents.

**Hazardous decomposition products:**

Carbon oxides (CO, CO<sub>2</sub>). Phenol, benzene.

**SECTION 11: Toxicological information**

**Acute Toxicity:**

**Dermal:**

LD<sub>50</sub> Dermal - rabbit > 10,000 mg/kg.

**Chronic Toxicity:** No additional information.

**Skin corrosion/irritation:**

Classified as Skin Irritant. Section 2.

**Serious eye damage/irritation:**

Classified as Serious Eye Damage Section 2.

**Respiratory or skin sensitization:** No additional information.

**Carcinogenicity:**

**Germ cell mutagenicity:** No additional information.

**Reproductive Toxicity:** No additional information.

**STOT-single and repeated exposure:**

Classified as STOT RE 1.

**Additional toxicological information:**

No additional information.

**SECTION 12: Ecological information**

**Ecotoxicity:**

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Water Flea., 48 Hr EC50 Daphnia magna: 860 mg/L [Static].

Fish:, Mosquito Fish: LC50 = 180 mg/L; 96 Hr;.

Unspecified Bacteria:, Phytobacterium phosphoreum: EC50 = 16.9 mg/L; 96 Hr; Microtox test @ 15°C.

**Persistence and degradability:**

Readily degradable in the environment. If released on land, benzoic acid should leach into the ground due to its low soil adsorption and biodegrade (half-life <1 wk). If released in water, benzoic acid should also readily biodegrade (half-life 0.2-3.6 days).

**Bioaccumulative potential:** No additional information.

**Mobility in soil:**

Adsorption to sediment and volatilization should not be significant.

**Other adverse effects:** No additional information.

**SECTION 13: Disposal considerations**

**Waste disposal recommendations:**

Product/containers must not be disposed together with household garbage. Do not allow product to reach sewage system or open water. It is the responsibility of the waste generator to properly characterize all waste materials according to applicable regulatory entities (US 40CFR262.11). Consult federal state/ provincial and local regulations regarding the proper disposal of waste material that may incorporate some amount of this product.

**SECTION 14: Transport information**

**US DOT**

**UN Number:**

ADR, ADN, DOT, IMDG, IATA

Not Regulated

**Limited Quantity Exception:**

None

**Bulk:**

**RQ (if applicable):** None

**Proper shipping Name:** Not Regulated.

**Hazard Class:** None

**Packing Group:** Not Regulated.

**Marine Pollutant (if applicable):** No additional information.

**Comments:** None

**Non Bulk:**

**RQ (if applicable):** None

**Proper shipping Name:** Not Regulated.

**Hazard Class:** None

**Packing Group:** Not Regulated.

**Marine Pollutant (if applicable):** No additional information.

**Comments:** None

**SECTION 15: Regulatory information**

**United States (USA)**

**SARA Section 311/312 (Specific toxic chemical listings):**

Acute, Chronic

**SARA Section 313 (Specific toxic chemical listings):**

None of the ingredients are listed.

**RCRA (hazardous waste code):**

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None of the ingredients are listed.

**TSCA (Toxic Substances Control Act) :**

All ingredients are listed.

**CERCLA (Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act):**

65-85-0 Benzoic acid 5000 lb ( 2270 kg).

**Proposition 65 (California):**

**Chemicals known to cause cancer:**

None of the ingredients are listed.

**Chemicals known to cause reproductive toxicity for females:**

None of the ingredients are listed.

**Chemicals known to cause reproductive toxicity for males:**

None of the ingredients are listed.

**Chemicals known to cause developmental toxicity:**

None of the ingredients are listed.

**Canada**

**Canadian Domestic Substances List (DSL) :**

All ingredients are listed.

**SECTION 16: Other information**

This product has been classified in accordance with hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations and the SDS contains all the information required by the Controlled Products Regulations. Note. The responsibility to provide a safe workplace remains with the user. The user should consider the health hazards and safety information contained herein as a guide and should take those precautions required in an individual operation to instruct employees and develop work practice procedures for a safe work environment. The information contained herein is, to the best of our knowledge and belief, accurate. However, since the conditions of handling and use are beyond our control, we make no guarantee of results, and assume no liability for damages incurred by the use of this material. It is the responsibility of the user to comply with all applicable laws and regulations applicable to this material.

**NFPA:** 2-0-0

**HMIS:** 2-0-0

**GHS Full Text Phrases:** None

**Abbreviations and Acronyms:**

IMDG International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods.

PNEC. Predicted No-Effect Concentration (REACH).

CFR Code of Federal Regulations (USA).

SARA Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (USA).

RCRA. Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (USA).

TSCA. Toxic Substances Control Act (USA).

NPRI National Pollutant Release Inventory (Canada).

DOT US Department of Transportation.

IATA International Air Transport Association.

GHS Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals.

ACGIH American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists.

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CAS Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society).  
NFPA National Fire Protection Association (USA).  
HMIS Hazardous Materials Identification System (USA).  
WHMIS Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (Canada).  
DNEL Derived No-Effect Level (REACH).