Product Data Sheet

Tim-bor® Industrial

Wood protection Na₂B₈O₁₃·4H₂O Disodium octaborate tetrahydrate

CAS Number 12008-41-2



Attributes and uses

Tim-bor ® Industrial high performance borate wood preservative has been specially designed to give a product with the highest concentration of boron at the maximum possible solubility and rate of dissolution in water.

Wood treated with *Tim-bor* Industrial can be used for a variety of purposes. Typical applications include trussed rafters, studding, cladding, and exterior joinery. Wood treated with Tim-bor Industrial is not suitable for ground contact applications and should be protected with a water repellent coating when used in exterior applications (eg joinery, fascia).

Tim-bor Industrial combines a broad spectrum of efficacy and low acute mammalian toxicity. *Tim-bor* Industrial has proven efficacy against wood decay fungi, wood boring beetles and termites. *Tim-bor* Industrial does not contain any organic or heavy metal components and, as it is applied as an aqueous solution, does not use organic solvents.

Tim-bor Industrial has been used in the United States, South East Asia, Australia and New Zealand for many years and has a well known and proven performance. This has been demonstrated by independent laboratory and field studies carried out by universities and government testing facilities around the world.

Tim-bor Industrial is flexible with regard to application methodology. Tim-bor Industrial can be applied as a pre-treatment by vacuum-pressure processes to dry or green timber, and by dip diffusion to green timber. The ability to treat green timber successfully and the subsequent diffusion of borates in wood enables penetration of species known to be difficult to treat, such as Douglas fir, Spruce and many hardwoods.

The use of *Tim-bor* Industrial varies according to working requirements and country/market specific product labels. Prior to treatment with Tim-bor Industrial, Rio Tinto literature or appropriate national standards must be consulted. Wood treated with *Tim-bor* Industrial retains its natural appearance and its strength. Treating wood with *Tim-bor* Industrial has little or no effect on ferrous metals, plastics, rubber, putties, bituminous solutions, other sealants, or on primer paints.

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Solubility in water	
Temperature °C	Tim-bor Industrial % by weight in saturated solution
0	2.5
10	4.5
20	9.7
30	21.9
40	27.4
50	34.3
60	40.7

Solubilities at the temperatures to the left are under equilibrium conditions. *Tim-bor* Industrial readily dissolves in cool water to give supersaturated solutions with higher concentrations than indicated in the table. Precipitation of sodium pentaborate may occur if a super saturated solution is cooled further.

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Tim-bor Industrial % by weight in saturated solution	pH @ 23°C (73°F)
1	8.5
2	8.4
5	8.0
10	7.6
15	7.3

Aqueous solutions of *Tim-bor* Industrial range from mildly alkaline at low concentrations to approximately neutral at higher concentrations.

Warnings

Avoid prolonged inhalation or prolonged skin contact. Not for food or drug use. Read all instructions relating to the products before use.

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