Technical Bulletin

Conversion Factors



For determination of the principal constituents, or equivalents, of more common boron compounds, the following table of conversion factors may be found convenient.

As an example of its application:

- 1. Wanted: pounds of B_2O_3 in X pounds of borax Calculation: X pounds of borax x 0.3652 = pounds of B_2O_3
- 2. Wanted: pounds of borax equivalent to x pounds of B_2O_3 Calculation: pounds of B_2O_3x 2.738 = pounds of borax to furnish x pounds of B_2O_3

For Pure Boron Compounds				
To convert		to	Multiply by	Reciprocal
BORIC OXIDE (Borin Trioxide or Anhydrous Boric Acid)	B ₂ O ₃	В	.31074	3.218
BORAX	Na ₂ B ₄ O ₇ •10H ₂ O	B ₂ O ₃ H ₃ BO ₃ Na ₂ B ₄ O ₇ Na ₂ B ₄ O ₇ •5H ₂ O Na ₂ O	.3652 .6485 .5277 .764 .1625	2.738 1.542 1.895 1.309 6.153
NEOBOR® (Borax 5 Mol) (Borax Pentahydrate)	Na ₂ B ₄ O ₇ •5H ₂ O	B ₂ O ₃ Na ₂ B ₄ O ₇ Na ₂ B ₄ O ₇ •10H ₂ O Na ₂ O	.4780 .6908 1.309 .2128	2.092 1.448 .764 4.700
BORIC ACID	H ₃ BO ₃	B_2O_3	.5630	1.776
SODIUM METABORATE 8 MOL	Na ₂ B ₂ O ₄ •8H ₂ O	B_2O_3 Na_2O	.2525 .2248	3.960 4.448
SODIUM METABORATE 4 MOL	Na ₂ B ₂ O ₄ •4H ₂ O		0.3419 0.3043	2.924 3.286
SODIUM PERBORATE	NaBO ₃ •4H ₂ O	B ₂ O ₃ 0 (available)	.2263 .2014 .1040	4.419 4.965 9.617
POTASSIUM TETRABORATE	K ₂ B ₄ O ₇ •4H ₂ O	B_2O_3 K_2O	.4559 .3083	2.193 3.244
POTASSIUM PENTABORATE	K ₂ B ₁₀ O ₁₆ •8H ₂ O	B_2O_3 K_2O	.5937 .1606	1.685 6.221
AMMONIUM BIBORATE	(NH ₄) ₂ B ₄ O ₇ •4H ₂ O	B ₂ O ₃ (NH ₄) ₂ O NH ₃	.5288 .1977 .1293	1.891 5.058 7.734
AMMONIUM PENTABORATE	(NH ₄) ₂ B ₁₀ O ₁₆ •8H ₂ O	B ₂ O ₃ (NH ₄) ₂ O NH ₃	.6396 .0957 .0626	1.563 10.450 15.974

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