

# BORON CARBIDE (B<sub>4</sub>C)

#### HIGH PURITY BORON CARBIDE

Electro Abrasives, LLC. manufactures Boron Carbide powders by water classification at our state-of-the-art headquarters in Buffalo, NY USA. All chemistry and sizing is controlled to meet exact customer requirements. All Boron Carbide manufactured at Electro Abrasives, LLC meets or exceeds ANSI or FEPA standards for product quality.

## ABOUT:

Boron Carbide ( $B_4C$ ) is one of the hardest man made materials available. Above 1300°C it is even harder than diamond and cubic boron nitride. It has a 4-point flexural strength of 50,000-70,000 psi and a compressive strength of 414,000 psi, depending on density. Boron Carbide also has a low thermal conductivity (29-67 W/mK) and has electrical resistivity ranging from 0.1-10 ohm-cm.

# **APPLICATIONS**:

With its strength to weight ratio and low thermal conductivity, Boron Carbide is ideal for a wide variety of applications including blasting nozzles, body armor, ceramic & metal-matrix composites, aerospace applications, refractory anti-oxidant, lapping, honing stones, nuclear technology, ultrasonic machining, and many others.

TYPICAL CHEMICAL ANALYSIS		
Total Boron	77.5%	
Total Carbon	21.0%	
Total Iron	0.2%	
Total B+C	98.5%	

TYPICAL PHYSICAL PROPERTIES	
Crystal Structure:	Rhombohedral
Hardness:	Knoop: 2800 / Mohs: 9.6
Melting Point:	4262°F (2350°C)
Oxidation Temperature:	932°F (500°C)
Specific Gravity:	2.52 g/cc
Particle Shape:	Blocky, Angular
Color:	Black

### **AVAILABLE SIZES**

Mesh: -325 mesh, -400 mesh

Macro: 20, 24, 36, 46, 60, 80, 90, 100, 120, 150, 180, 220 grits

Micro: F240, 280, 320, 360, 400, 500, 600, 800, 1000, 1200 grits, 0.7 micron

Other Sizes Available Upon Request

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