

benzoic acid

Where is benzoic acid found?

Benzoic acid is used as a food preservative. It inhibits the growth of yeast, mold, and other bacteria. Acidic food and fruit juices, sparkling drinks, and pickles are preserved with benzoic acid. It is also used as a preservative in cosmetics.

How can you avoid contact with benzoic acid?

Avoid products that list any of the following names in the ingredients:

- AI3-0310
- AI3-03710
- Acide benzoique
- Acide benzoique [French]
- Acido benzoic
- Acido benzoico [Italian]
- Benzenecarboxylic acid
- Benzeneformic acid
- Benzenemethanoic acid
- Benzoate
- Benzoate (VAN)
- Benzoesaure
- Benzoesaure GK
- Benzoesaure GV
- Benzoesaure [German]
- Benzoic acid
- Benzoic acid (natural)
- Benzoic acid, tech.
- CCRIS 1893
- Carboxybenzene
- Caswell No. 081
- Dracylic acid
- E 210
- EINECS 200-618-2
- EPA Pesticide Chemical Code 009101
- FEMA No. 2131
- Flowers of Benjamin
- Flowers of benzoin
- HA 1
- HA 1 (acid)
- HSDB 704
- Kyselina benzoova
- Kyselina benzoova [Czech]
- NSC 149
- Phenylcarboxylic acid
- Phenylformic acid
- Retarder BA
- Retardex
- Salvo liquid
- Solvo powder
- Tenn-Plas
- Unisept BZA

What are some products that may contain benzoic acid?

Liquids and Creams

Makeup

Mouthwashes

Toothpastes

A clinician's point of view.

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For additional information about products that might contain benzoic acid, visit the Household Products Database online at the United States National Library of Medicine. These lists are brief and provide just a few examples. They are not comprehensive. Product formulations also change frequently. Read product labels carefully and talk to your doctor if you have any questions. These are general guidelines. Talk to your doctor for more specific instructions.



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