

## Boric Acid Instructions

If, after your cream soap has rest for a few days, you find it runny or lotion-like, you can use boric acid from your local “natural foods” store to thicken it. (Please note that boric acid is NOT the same as borax.)

To determine your measurements for this procedure, consult your recipe and calculate the total oil weight for the recipe, including stearic acid. For the measurements below, consider how much thickening your recipe requires: 3% for a little thickening, 5% for a dense, high stearic cream soap.

### **disposable (microwaveable) cup A**

1 oz distilled water for every 0.3 oz of boric acid (based on calculation below)

### **disposable cup B**

3-5% boric acid (calculated from total oils in recipe, including stearic acid)

Scrape cream soap into Kitchen Aid stand mixer with whisk attachment.

Microwave **disposable cup A** until near boiling. Add boric acid from **disposable cup B** to **disposable cup A**. Mix with plastic fork until boric acid is completely dissolved.

Add solution from **disposable cup A** to cream soap in stand mixer. Whisk slowly, then faster until combined.

Return cream soap to sealed container. Continue with cream soap rot schedule as recommended by recipe.