

# FERRIC CHLORIDE ANHYDROUS ALPHA CHEMICALS PTY LTD

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Safety Data Sheet according to Work Health and Safety Regulations (Hazardous Chemicals) 2023 and ADG requirements

Chemwatch Hazard Alert Code: 3

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### SECTION 1 Identification of the substance / mixture and of the company / undertaking

Product Identifier	
Product name	FERRIC CHLORIDE ANHYDROUS
Chemical Name	Not Available
Synonyms	CI3-Fe; FeCI3; ferric trichloride; ferric perchloride; iron chloride; iron trichloride, anhydrous; iron perchloride; iron(III) chloride, anhydrous; Flores Martis; iron(III) chloride; iron trichloride; iron sesquichloride, solid; ferric chloride, anhydrous; iron chloride, solid; ferric chloride solid, anhydrous; CI3-Fe.7 H2-O (CAS RN: 121714-78-1); iron chloride (FeCI3),heptahydrate; ferric chloride heptahydrate; iron(3+) trichloride heptahydrate; LS-189058; anhydrous ferric chloride; Ikon ferric chloride; Iron(III) chlorides anhydrous GPR 28379
Proper shipping name	FERRIC CHLORIDE, ANHYDROUS
Chemical formula	Cl3Fe
Other means of identification	Not Available

### Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

7705-08-0

Relevant identified uses	In treatment of sewerage and industrial wastes; etching agent for engraving, photography and printing. A condensation catalyst in Friedel-Crafts reactions; mordant; oxidising, chlorinating and condensing agent. Also a disinfectant; feed additive; and used in water purification.  [~Regeant ~]
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### Details of the manufacturer or supplier of the safety data sheet

Registered company name	ALPHA CHEMICALS PTY LTD
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Association / Organisation	ALPHA CHEMICALS PTY LTD	CHEMWATCH EMERGENCY RESPONSE (24/7)
Emergency telephone number(s)	61 (0)418 237 771	+61 1800 951 288
Other emergency telephone number(s)	Not Available	+61 3 9573 3188

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### **SECTION 2 Hazards identification**

### Classification of the substance or mixture

## HAZARDOUS CHEMICAL. DANGEROUS GOODS. According to the WHS Regulations and the ADG Code.

### Chemwatch Hazard Ratings

	Min	Max	
Flammability	0		
Toxicity	2		0 = Minimum
Body Contact	3		1 = Low
Reactivity	1		2 = Moderate
Chronic	0		3 = High 4 = Extreme

Poisons Schedule	Not Applicable
Classification <sup>[1]</sup>	Corrosive to Metals Category 1, Acute Toxicity (Oral) Category 4, Skin Corrosion/Irritation Category 1B, Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation Category 1
Legend:	1. Classified by Chemwatch; 2. Classification drawn from HCIS; 3. Classification drawn from Regulation (EU) No 1272/2008 - Annex VI

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Signal word

### Hazard statement(s)

H290	May be corrosive to metals.
H302	Harmful if swallowed.
H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
AUH029	Contact with water liberates toxic gas.

### Precautionary statement(s) Prevention

P260	Do not breathe dust/fume.
P264	Wash all exposed external body areas thoroughly after handling.
P280	Wear protective gloves, protective clothing, eye protection and face protection.
P234	Keep only in original packaging.
P270	Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.

### Precautionary statement(s) Response

P301+P330+P331	IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting. If more than 15 mins from Doctor, INDUCE VOMITING (if conscious).	
P303+P361+P353	IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water [or shower].	
P305+P351+P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.	
P310	Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor/physician/first aider.	
P363	Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.	
P390	Absorb spillage to prevent material damage.	
P301+P312	IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER/doctor/physician/first aider if you feel unwell.	
P304+P340	IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.	

### Precautionary statement(s) Storage

P405 Store locked up.

### Precautionary statement(s) Disposal

P501 Dispose of contents/container to authorised hazardous or special waste collection point in accordance with any local regulation.

### **SECTION 3 Composition / information on ingredients**

### Substances

CAS No	%[weight]	Name
7705-08-0	>=99	Ferric Chloride Anhydrous
Legend: 1. Classified by Chemwatch; 2. Classification drawn from HCIS; 3. Classification drawn from Regulation (EU) No 1272/2008 - Annex VI; 4. Classification drawn from		

Legend: C&L; \* EU IOELVs available

## Mixtures

See section above for composition of Substances

### **SECTION 4 First aid measures**

Description of first aid measures		
Eye Contact	If this product comes in contact with the eyes:  Immediately hold eyelids apart and flush the eye continuously with running water.  Ensure complete irrigation of the eye by keeping eyelids apart and away from eye and moving the eyelids by occasionally lifting the upper and lower lids.  Continue flushing until advised to stop by the Poisons Information Centre or a doctor, or for at least 15 minutes.  Transport to hospital or doctor without delay.  Removal of contact lenses after an eye injury should only be undertaken by skilled personnel.	
Skin Contact	If skin or hair contact occurs:  Immediately flush body and clothes with large amounts of water, using safety shower if available.  Quickly remove all contaminated clothing, including footwear.  Wash skin and hair with running water. Continue flushing with water until advised to stop by the Poisons Information Centre.  Transport to hospital, or doctor.	
Inhalation	<ul> <li>If fumes or combustion products are inhaled remove from contaminated area.</li> <li>Lay patient down. Keep warm and rested.</li> <li>Prostheses such as false teeth, which may block airway, should be removed, where possible, prior to initiating first aid procedures.</li> <li>Apply artificial respiration if not breathing, preferably with a demand valve resuscitator, bag-valve mask device, or pocket mask as trained. Perform CPR if necessary.</li> <li>Transport to hospital, or doctor.</li> <li>Inhalation of vapours or aerosols (mists, fumes) may cause lung oedema.</li> <li>Corrosive substances may cause lung damage (e.g. lung oedema, fluid in the lungs).</li> </ul>	

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	<ul> <li>As this reaction may be delayed up to 24 hours after exposure, affected individuals need complete rest (preferably in semi-recumbent posture) and must be kept under medical observation even if no symptoms are (yet) manifested.</li> <li>Before any such manifestation, the administration of a spray containing a dexamethasone derivative or beclomethasone derivative may be considered.</li> <li>This must definitely be left to a doctor or person authorised by him/her. (ICSC13719)</li> </ul>
Ingestion	<ul> <li>For advice, contact a Poisons Information Centre or a doctor at once.</li> <li>Urgent hospital treatment is likely to be needed.</li> <li>If swallowed do NOT induce vomiting.</li> <li>If vomiting occurs, lean patient forward or place on left side (head-down position, if possible) to maintain open airway and prevent aspiration.</li> <li>Observe the patient carefully.</li> <li>Never give liquid to a person showing signs of being sleepy or with reduced awareness; i.e. becoming unconscious.</li> <li>Give water to rinse out mouth, then provide liquid slowly and as much as casualty can comfortably drink.</li> <li>Transport to hospital or doctor without delay.</li> </ul>

### Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

For acute or short term repeated exposures to iron and its derivatives:

- Always treat symptoms rather than history.
- In general, however, toxic doses exceed 20 mg/kg of ingested material (as elemental iron) with lethal doses exceeding 180 mg/kg.
- Control of iron stores depend on variation in absorption rather than excretion. Absorption occurs through aspiration, ingestion and burned skin.
- Hepatic damage may progress to failure with hypoprothrombinaemia and hypoglycaemia. Hepatorenal syndrome may occur.
- Iron intoxication may also result in decreased cardiac output and increased cardiac pooling which subsequently produces hypotension.
- Serum iron should be analysed in symptomatic patients. Serum iron levels (2-4 hrs post-ingestion) greater that 100 ug/dL indicate poisoning with levels, in excess of 350 ug/dL, being potentially serious. Emesis or lavage (for obtunded patients with no gag reflex) are the usual means of decontamination.
- Activated charcoal does not effectively bind iron.
- Catharsis (using sodium sulfate or magnesium sulfate) may only be used if the patient already has diarrhoea.
- Deferoxamine is a specific chelator of Terric (3+) iron and is currently the antidote of choice. It should be administered parenterally. [Ellenhorn and Barceloux: Medical Toxicology]

For acute or short term repeated exposures to strong acids:

- Airway problems may arise from laryngeal edema and inhalation exposure. Treat with 100% oxygen initially.
- Respiratory distress may require cricothyroidotomy if endotracheal intubation is contraindicated by excessive swelling
- Intravenous lines should be established immediately in all cases where there is evidence of circulatory compromise.
- Figure Strong acids produce a coagulation necrosis characterised by formation of a coagulum (eschar) as a result of the dessicating action of the acid on proteins in specific tissues

INGESTION:

- Immediate dilution (milk or water) within 30 minutes post ingestion is recommended.
- DO NOT attempt to neutralise the acid since exothermic reaction may extend the corrosive injury
- ▶ Be careful to avoid further vomit since re-exposure of the mucosa to the acid is harmful. Limit fluids to one or two glasses in an adult.
- Charcoal has no place in acid management.
- ▶ Some authors suggest the use of lavage within 1 hour of ingestion.

SKIN:

- Skin lesions require copious saline irrigation. Treat chemical burns as thermal burns with non-adherent gauze and wrapping.
- ▶ Deep second-degree burns may benefit from topical silver sulfadiazine.

EYE:

- Eye injuries require retraction of the eyelids to ensure thorough irrigation of the conjuctival cul-de-sacs. Irrigation should last at least 20-30 minutes. DO NOT use neutralising agents or any other additives. Several litres of saline are required.
- Cycloplegic drops, (1% cyclopentolate for short-term use or 5% homatropine for longer term use) antibiotic drops, vasoconstrictive agents or artificial tears may be indicated dependent on the severity of the injury.
- Steroid eye drops should only be administered with the approval of a consulting ophthalmologist).

[Ellenhorn and Barceloux: Medical Toxicology]

### **SECTION 5 Firefighting measures**

### **Extinguishing media**

- Water spray or fog.
- ▶ Foam
- Dry chemical powder.
- BCF (where regulations permit).
- Carbon dioxide

### Special hazards arising from the substrate or mixture

Fire Incompatibility	None known.
Advice for firefighters	
Fire Fighting	<ul> <li>Alert Fire Brigade and tell them location and nature of hazard.</li> <li>Wear full body protective clothing with breathing apparatus.</li> <li>Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water course.</li> <li>Use fire fighting procedures suitable for surrounding area.</li> <li>Do not approach containers suspected to be hot.</li> <li>Cool fire exposed containers with water spray from a protected location.</li> <li>If safe to do so, remove containers from path of fire.</li> <li>Equipment should be thoroughly decontaminated after use.</li> </ul>
Fire/Explosion Hazard	<ul> <li>Non combustible.</li> <li>Not considered to be a significant fire risk.</li> <li>Acids may react with metals to produce hydrogen, a highly flammable and explosive gas.</li> <li>Heating may cause expansion or decomposition leading to violent rupture of containers.</li> <li>May emit corrosive, poisonous fumes. May emit acrid smoke.</li> <li>Decomposition may produce toxic fumes of: hydrogen chloride metal oxides</li> </ul>
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### SECTION 6 Accidental release measures

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### Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

See section 8

### **Environmental precautions**

See section 12

Methods and material for conta	ainment and cleaning up
Minor Spills	<ul> <li>Remove all ignition sources.</li> <li>Clean up all spills immediately.</li> <li>Avoid contact with skin and eyes.</li> <li>Control personal contact with the substance, by using protective equipment.</li> <li>Use dry clean up procedures and avoid generating dust.</li> <li>Place in a suitable, labelled container for waste disposal.</li> <li>Prains for storage or use areas should have retention basins for pH adjustments and dilution of spills before discharge or disposal of material.</li> <li>Check regularly for spills and leaks.</li> </ul>
Major Spills	<ul> <li>Clear area of personnel and move upwind.</li> <li>Alert Fire Brigade and tell them location and nature of hazard.</li> <li>Wear full body protective clothing with breathing apparatus.</li> <li>Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water course.</li> <li>Consider evacuation (or protect in place).</li> <li>Stop leak if safe to do so.</li> <li>Contain spill with sand, earth or vermiculite.</li> <li>Collect recoverable product into labelled containers for recycling.</li> </ul>

### **SECTION 7 Handling and storage**

Precautions for safe handling	Avoid all personal contact, including inhalation.  Wear protective clothing when risk of exposure occurs.  Use in a well-ventilated area.
Safe handling	<ul> <li>Avoid contact with moisture.</li> <li>Avoid contact with incompatible materials.</li> <li>When handling, DO NOT eat, drink or smoke.</li> <li>Keep containers securely sealed when not in use.</li> <li>Avoid physical damage to containers.</li> </ul>
Other information	<ul> <li>Store in original containers.</li> <li>Keep containers securely sealed.</li> <li>Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area.</li> <li>Store away from incompatible materials and foodstuff containers.</li> <li>Protect containers against physical damage and check regularly for leaks.</li> <li>Observe manufacturer's storage and handling recommendations contained within this SDS.</li> </ul>

Personal Protective Equipment advice is contained in Section 8 of the SDS.

Conditions for safe storage, in	cluding any incompatibilities
Suitable container	Do NoT use aluminium or galvanised containers     Check regularly for spills and leaks     Lined metal can, lined metal pail/ can.     Plastic pail.     Polyliner drum.     Packing as recommended by manufacturer.     Check all containers are clearly labelled and free from leaks.  For low viscosity materials     Drums and jerricans must be of the non-removable head type.     Where a can is to be used as an inner package, the can must have a screwed enclosure.  For materials with a viscosity of at least 2680 cSt. (23 deg. C) and solids (between 15 C deg. and 40 deg C.):     Removable head packaging;     Cans with friction closures and     low pressure tubes and cartridges     may be used.  Where combination packages are used, and the inner packages are of glass, porcelain or stoneware, there must be sufficient inert cushioning material in contact with inner and outer packages unless the outer packaging is a close fitting moulded plastic box and the substances are not incompatible with the plastic.
Storage incompatibility	Avoid storage with sodium, potassium and allyl chloride.  Derivative of electropositive metal.  Inorganic acids are generally soluble in water with the release of hydrogen ions. The resulting solutions have pH's of less than 7.0.  Inorganic acids neutralise chemical bases (for example: amines and inorganic hydroxides) to form salts - neutralisation can generate dangerously large amounts of heat in small spaces.  The dissolution of inorganic acids in water or the dilution of their concentrated solutions with additional water may generate significant heat.  The addition of water to inorganic acids often generates sufficient heat in the small region of mixing to cause some of the water to boil explosively. The resulting "bumping" can spatter the acid.  Inorganic acids react with active metals, including such structural metals as aluminum and iron, to release hydrogen, a flammable gas.  Inorganic acids can initiate the polymerisation of certain classes of organic compounds.  WARNING: Avoid or control reaction with peroxides. All transition metal peroxides should be considered as potentially explosive. For example transition metal complexes of alkyl hydroperoxides may decompose explosively.  The pi-complexes formed between chromium(0), vanadium(0) and other transition metals (haloarene-metal complexes) and mono-or poly-fluorobenzene show extreme sensitivity to heat and are explosive.  Avoid reaction with borohydrides or cyanoborohydrides  Metals and their oxides or salts may react violently with chlorine trifluoride and bromine trifluoride.

The state of subdivision may affect the results.
 Reacts with water or steam to produce toxic and corrosive fumes

contact with these materials, following an ambient or slightly elevated temperature, is often violent and may produce ignition.

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### SECTION 8 Exposure controls / personal protection

#### Control parameters

Occupational Exposure Limits (OEL)

#### INGREDIENT DATA

Source	Ingredient	Material name	TWA	STEL	Peak	Notes	
Australia Exposure Standards	Ferric Chloride Anhydrous	Iron salts, soluble (as Fe)	1 mg/m3	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available	
Ingredient	Original IDLH			Revised IDLH			
Ferric Chloride Anhydrous	Not Available			Not Available			

### **Exposure controls**

#### can be highly effective in protecting workers and will typically be independent of worker interactions to provide this high level of protection. The basic types of engineering controls are: Process controls which involve changing the way a job activity or process is done to reduce the risk. Enclosure and/or isolation of emission source which keeps a selected hazard "physically" away from the worker and ventilation that Appropriate engineering strategically "adds" and "removes" air in the work environment. Ventilation can remove or dilute an air contaminant if designed properly. The controls design of a ventilation system must match the particular process and chemical or contaminant in use. Employers may need to use multiple types of controls to prevent employee overexposure.

Local exhaust ventilation is required where solids are handled as powders or crystals; even when particulates are relatively large, a certain proportion will be powdered by mutual friction.

Engineering controls are used to remove a hazard or place a barrier between the worker and the hazard. Well-designed engineering controls

### Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment













### Eve and face protection

- Chemical goggles.
- Full face shield may be required for supplementary but never for primary protection of eyes.
- Contact lenses may pose a special hazard: soft contact lenses may absorb and concentrate irritants. A written policy document, describing the wearing of lenses or restrictions on use, should be created for each workplace or task. This should include a review of lens absorption and adsorption for the class of chemicals in use and an account of injury experience. Medical and first-aid personnel should be trained in their removal and suitable equipment should be readily available. In the event of chemical exposure, begin eye irrigation immediately and remove contact lens as soon as practicable. Lens should be removed at the first signs of eye redness or irritation - lens should be removed in a clean environment only after workers have washed hands thoroughly.

## Skin protection

Hands/feet protection

### See Hand protection below

- ▶ Wear chemical protective gloves, e.g. PVC.
- ▶ Wear safety footwear or safety gumboots, e.g. Rubber

The selection of suitable gloves does not only depend on the material, but also on further marks of quality which vary from manufacturer to manufacturer. Where the chemical is a preparation of several substances, the resistance of the glove material can not be calculated in advance and has therefore to be checked prior to the application.

The exact break through time for substances has to be obtained from the manufacturer of the protective gloves and has to be observed when making a final choice.

Personal hygiene is a key element of effective hand care. Gloves must only be worn on clean hands. After using gloves, hands should be washed and dried thoroughly. Application of a non-perfumed moisturiser is recommended. Suitability and durability of glove type is dependent on usage

### **Body protection**

### See Other protection below

### Other protection

- Overalls
- PVC Apron.
- PVC protective suit may be required if exposure severe.
- Eyewash unit.
- Ensure there is ready access to a safety shower.

### Respiratory protection

Type -P Filter of sufficient capacity. (AS/NZS 1716 & 1715, EN 143:2000 & 149:2001, ANSI Z88 or national equivalent)

Required Minimum Protection Factor	Half-Face Respirator	Full-Face Respirator	Powered Air Respirator
up to 10 x ES	P1 Air-line*	-	PAPR-P1
up to 50 x ES	Air-line**	P2	PAPR-P2
up to 100 x ES	-	P3	-
		Air-line*	-
100+ x ES	-	Air-line**	PAPR-P3

- Negative pressure demand \*\* - Continuous flow

A(All classes) = Organic vapours, B AUS or B1 = Acid gasses, B2 = Acid gas or hydrogen cyanide(HCN), B3 = Acid gas or hydrogen cyanide(HCN), E = Sulfur dioxide(SO2), G = Agricultural chemicals, K = Ammonia(NH3), Hg = Mercury, NO = Oxides of nitrogen, MB = Methyl bromide, AX = Low boiling point organic compounds(below 65 degC)

- · Respirators may be necessary when engineering and administrative controls do not adequately prevent exposures.
- · The decision to use respiratory protection should be based on professional judgment that takes into account toxicity information, exposure measurement data, and frequency and likelihood of the worker's exposure - ensure users are not subject to high thermal loads which may result in heat stress or distress due to personal protective equipment (powered, positive flow, full face apparatus may be an option).
- · Published occupational exposure limits, where they exist, will assist in determining the adequacy of the selected respiratory protection. These may be government mandated or vendor recommended.
- · Certified respirators will be useful for protecting workers from inhalation of particulates when properly selected and fit tested as part of a complete respiratory protection program.
- · Where protection from nuisance levels of dusts are desired, use type N95 (US) or type P1 (EN143) dust masks. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU)
- · Use approved positive flow mask if significant quantities of dust becomes airborne.

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### **SECTION 9 Physical and chemical properties**

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Appearance	Black-brown solid, leaflets or plates. Very hygroscopic. Soluble in water, alcohol, glycerol, methanol, acetone and ether. In presence of moisture, is corrosive to most metals and alloys.				
Physical state	Divided Solid	Relative density (Water = 1)	2.90 @ 25 C		
Odour	Not Available	Partition coefficient n-octanol / water	Not Available		
Odour threshold	Not Available	Auto-ignition temperature (°C)	Not Available		
pH (as supplied)	Not Applicable	Decomposition temperature (°C)	Not Available		
Melting point / freezing point (°C)	300 approx.	Viscosity (cSt)	Not Applicable		
Initial boiling point and boiling range (°C)	315-319	Molecular weight (g/mol)	162.20		
Flash point (°C)	Not Applicable	Taste	Not Available		
Evaporation rate	Not Available	Explosive properties	Not Available		
Flammability	Not Applicable	Oxidising properties	Not Available		
Upper Explosive Limit (%)	Not Applicable	Surface Tension (dyn/cm or mN/m)	Not Applicable		
Lower Explosive Limit (%)	Not Applicable	Volatile Component (%vol)	Not Available		
Vapour pressure (kPa)	0.13 @ 194 C	Gas group	Not Available		
Solubility in water	Miscible	pH as a solution (1%)	1-2 approx.		
Vapour density (Air = 1)	Not Available	VOC g/L	Not Available		
Heat of Combustion (kJ/g)	Not Available	Ignition Distance (cm)	Not Available		
Flame Height (cm)	Not Available	Flame Duration (s)	Not Available		
Enclosed Space Ignition Time Equivalent (s/m3)	Not Available	Enclosed Space Ignition Deflagration Density (g/m3)	Not Available		

## **SECTION 10 Stability and reactivity**

Reactivity	See section 7
Chemical stability	► Contact with alkaline material liberates heat
Possibility of hazardous reactions	See section 7
Conditions to avoid	See section 7
Incompatible materials	See section 7
Hazardous decomposition products	See section 5

### **SECTION 11 Toxicological information**

### Information on toxicological effects

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Inhaled	The material is not thought to produce adverse health effects following inhalation (as classified by EC Directives using animal models). Nevertheless, adverse systemic effects have been produced following exposure of animals by at least one other route and good hygiene practice requires that exposure be kept to a minimum and that suitable control measures be used in an occupational setting. Persons with impaired respiratory function, airway diseases and conditions such as emphysema or chronic bronchitis, may incur further disability if excessive concentrations of particulate are inhaled.  If prior damage to the circulatory or nervous systems has occurred or if kidney damage has been sustained, proper screenings should be conducted on individuals who may be exposed to further risk if handling and use of the material result in excessive exposures.  Corrosive acids can cause irritation of the respiratory tract, with coughing, choking and mucous membrane damage. There may be dizziness, headache, nausea and weakness.  High concentrations cause inflamed airways and watery swelling of the lungs with oedema.
Ingestion	Accidental ingestion of the material may be harmful; animal experiments indicate that ingestion of less than 150 gram may be fatal or may produce serious damage to the health of the individual.  The material can produce chemical burns within the oral cavity and gastrointestinal tract following ingestion.  Ingestion of acidic corrosives may produce burns around and in the mouth, the throat and oesophagus. Immediate pain and difficulties in swallowing and speaking may also be evident.  Iron poisoning results in pain in the upper abdomen and vomiting, and is followed hours later by shock, in severe cases coma and death.  Iron toxicity increases in proportion to their solubility in the gastrointestinal tract.
Skin Contact	The material can produce chemical burns following direct contact with the skin.  Skin contact is not thought to produce harmful health effects (as classified under EC Directives using animal models). Systemic harm, however, has been identified following exposure of animals by at least one other route and the material may still produce health damage following entry through wounds, lesions or abrasions.  Skin contact with acidic corrosives may result in pain and burns; these may be deep with distinct edges and may heal slowly with the formation of scar tissue.  Open cuts, abraded or irritated skin should not be exposed to this material  Entry into the blood-stream, through, for example, cuts, abrasions or lesions, may produce systemic injury with harmful effects. Examine the skin prior to the use of the material and ensure that any external damage is suitably protected.
Еуе	The material can produce chemical burns to the eye following direct contact. Vapours or mists may be extremely irritating.  If applied to the eyes, this material causes severe eye damage.

<sup>·</sup> Try to avoid creating dust conditions.

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> Direct eye contact with acid corrosives may produce pain, tears, sensitivity to light and burns. Mild burns of the epithelia generally recover rapidly and completely.

Substance accumulation, in the human body, may occur and may cause some concern following repeated or long-term occupational exposure

Repeated or prolonged exposure to acids may result in the erosion of teeth, swelling and/or ulceration of mouth lining. Irritation of airways to lung, with cough, and inflammation of lung tissue often occurs.

Overexposure to the breathable dust may cause coughing, wheezing, difficulty in breathing and impaired lung function. Chronic symptoms may include decreased vital lung capacity and chest infections. Repeated exposures in the workplace to high levels of fine-divided dusts may produce a condition known as pneumoconiosis, which is the lodgement of any inhaled dusts in the lung, irrespective of the effect. This Chronic is particularly true when a significant number of particles less than 0.5 microns (1/50000 inch) are present. Lung shadows are seen in the Xray. Symptoms of pneumoconiosis may include a progressive dry cough, shortness of breath on exertion, increased chest expansion,

weakness and weight loss. As the disease progresses, the cough produces stringy phlegm, vital capacity decreases further, and shortness of breath becomes more severe. Other signs or symptoms include changed breath sounds, reduced oxygen uptake during exercise, emphysema and rarely, pneumothorax (air in the lung cavity).

Chronic excessive intake of iron have been associated with damage to the liver and pancreas. People with a genetic disposition to poor control over iron are at an increased risk.

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TOXICITY	IRRITATION
dermal (rat) LD50: >881 mg/kg <sup>[1]</sup>	Eye: adverse effect observed (irritating) <sup>[1]</sup>
Inhalation (Rat) LC50: >0.3 mg/l4h <sup>[1]</sup>	Skin: adverse effect observed (irritating) <sup>[1]</sup>
Oral (Rat) LD50: >139<558 mg/kg <sup>[1]</sup>	

### Leaend:

1. Value obtained from Europe ECHA Registered Substances - Acute toxicity 2. Value obtained from manufacturer's SDS. Unless otherwise specified data extracted from RTECS - Register of Toxic Effect of chemical Substances

For acid mists, aerosols, vapours

Test results suggest that eukaryotic cells are susceptible to genetic damage when the pH falls to about 6.5. Cells from the respiratory tract have not been examined in this respect. Mucous secretion may protect the cells of the airway from direct exposure to inhaled acidic mists (which also protects the stomach lining from the hydrochloric acid secreted there).

The material may be irritating to the eye, with prolonged contact causing inflammation. Repeated or prolonged exposure to irritants may produce conjunctivitis.

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Asthma-like symptoms may continue for months or even years after exposure to the material ends. This may be due to a non-allergic condition known as reactive airways dysfunction syndrome (RADS) which can occur after exposure to high levels of highly irritating compound. Main criteria for diagnosing RADS include the absence of previous airways disease in a non-atopic individual, with sudden onset of persistent asthma-like symptoms within minutes to hours of a documented exposure to the irritant. Other criteria for diagnosis of RADS include a reversible airflow pattern on lung function tests, moderate to severe bronchial hyperreactivity on methacholine challenge testing, and the lack of minimal lymphocytic inflammation, without eosinophilia. RADS (or asthma) following an irritating inhalation is an infrequent disorder with rates related to the concentration of and duration of exposure to the irritating substance. On the other hand, industrial bronchitis is a disorder that occurs as a result of exposure due to high concentrations of irritating substance (often particles) and is completely reversible after exposure ceases. The disorder is characterized by difficulty breathing, cough and mucus production. The material may produce respiratory tract irritation, and result in damage to the lung including reduced lung function.

The material may cause skin irritation after prolonged or repeated exposure and may produce on contact skin redness, swelling, the production of vesicles, scaling and thickening of the skin.

Acute Toxicity	✓	Carcinogenicity	×
Skin Irritation/Corrosion	✓	Reproductivity	×
Serious Eye Damage/Irritation	<b>~</b>	STOT - Single Exposure	×
Respiratory or Skin sensitisation	×	STOT - Repeated Exposure	×
Mutagenicity	x	Aspiration Hazard	×

Legend

- Data either not available or does not fill the criteria for classification

- Data available to make classification

### **SECTION 12 Ecological information**

### Toxicity

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Endpoint	Test Duration (hr)	Species	Value	Source
EC50	48h	Crustacea	9.6mg/L	4
LC50	96h	Fish	>=10mg/l	1
NOEC(ECx)	504h	Fish	0.32mg/l	4

### Legend:

Extracted from 1. IUCLID Toxicity Data 2. Europe ECHA Registered Substances - Ecotoxicological Information - Aquatic Toxicity 4. US EPA, Ecotox database - Aquatic Toxicity Data 5. ECETOC Aquatic Hazard Assessment Data 6. NITE (Japan) - Bioconcentration Data 7. METI (Japan) - Bioconcentration Data 8, Vendor Data

The tolerance of water organisms towards pH margin and variation is diverse. Recommended pH values for test species listed in OECD guidelines are between 6.0 and almost 9. Acute testing with fish showed 96h-LC50 at about pH 3.5

For Chloride: Although inorganic chloride ions are not normally considered toxic they can exist in effluents at acutely toxic levels. Incidental exposure to inorganic chloride may occur in occupational settings where chemicals management policies are improperly applied. The toxicity of chloride salts depends on the counter-ion (cation) present; that of chloride itself is unknown. Chloride toxicity has not been observed in humans except in the special case of impaired sodium chloride metabolism, e.g. in congestive heart failure. Healthy individuals can tolerate the intake of large quantities of chloride provided that there is an intake of fresh water following ingestion. Although excessive intake of drinkingwater containing sodium chloride at concentrations above 2.5 g/L has been reported to produce hypertension, this effect is believed to be related to the sodium ion concentration. Chloride concentrations in excess of about 250 mg/L can give rise to detectable taste in water. Consumers can, however, become accustomed to concentrations in excess of 250 ma/L.

Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water courses.

DO NOT discharge into sewer or waterways.

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Ingredient	Persistence: Water/Soil	Persistence: Air
Ferric Chloride Anhydrous	HIGH	HIGH
Bioaccumulative potential		
Ingredient	Bioaccumulation	
Ingredient Ferric Chloride Anhydrous	Bioaccumulation  HIGH (BCF = 9622)	

## SECTION 13 Disposal considerations

### Waste treatment methods

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Ingredient

- ▶ Containers may still present a chemical hazard/ danger when empty.
- ▶ Return to supplier for reuse/ recycling if possible.

### Otherwise:

Mobility

LOW (Log KOC = 35.04)

- If container can not be cleaned sufficiently well to ensure that residuals do not remain or if the container cannot be used to store the same product, then puncture containers, to prevent re-use, and bury at an authorised landfill.
- ▶ Where possible retain label warnings and SDS and observe all notices pertaining to the product.

Legislation addressing waste disposal requirements may differ by country, state and/ or territory. Each user must refer to laws operating in their area. In some areas, certain wastes must be tracked.

A Hierarchy of Controls seems to be common - the user should investigate:

- ▶ Reduction
- ▶ Reuse
- Recycling
- Disposal (if all else fails)

### Product / Packaging disposal

This material may be recycled if unused, or if it has not been contaminated so as to make it unsuitable for its intended use. Shelf life considerations should also be applied in making decisions of this type. Note that properties of a material may change in use, and recycling or reuse may not always be appropriate. In most instances the supplier of the material should be consulted.

- ▶ DO NOT allow wash water from cleaning or process equipment to enter drains.
- It may be necessary to collect all wash water for treatment before disposal.
- In all cases disposal to sewer may be subject to local laws and regulations and these should be considered first.
- ▶ Where in doubt contact the responsible authority.

### Recycle wherever possible.

- Consult manufacturer for recycling options or consult local or regional waste management authority for disposal if no suitable treatment or disposal facility can be identified.
- ▶ Treat and neutralise at an approved treatment plant. Treatment should involve: Mixing or slurrying in water; Neutralisation with soda-lime or soda-ash followed by: burial in a land-fill specifically licensed to accept chemical and / or pharmaceutical wastes or Incineration in a licensed apparatus (after admixture with suitable combustible material)
- ▶ Decontaminate empty containers with 5% aqueous sodium hydroxide or soda ash, followed by water. Observe all label safeguards until containers are cleaned and destroyed.

### **SECTION 14 Transport information**

### Labels Required



Marine Pollutant

NO

HAZCHEM 2X

### Land transport (ADG)

zana transport (/tbc)			
14.1. UN number or ID number	1773	1773	
14.2. UN proper shipping name	FERRIC CHLORIDE,	FERRIC CHLORIDE, ANHYDROUS	
14.3. Transport hazard class(es)	Class Subsidiary Hazard		
14.4. Packing group	III	III	
14.5. Environmental hazard	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
14.6. Special precautions for user	Special provisions Limited quantity		

### Air transport (ICAO-IATA / DGR)

Air transport (ICAO-IATA / DGR	)		
14.1. UN number	1773		
14.2. UN proper shipping name	Ferric chloride, anhydrous		
14.3. Transport hazard class(es)	ICAO/IATA Class	8	
` '	ICAO / IATA Subsidiary Hazard	ICAO / IATA Subsidiary Hazard Not Applicable	
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	ERG Code 8L	
14.4. Packing group	III	
14.5. Environmental hazard	Not Applicable	
	Special provisions	A803
14.6. Special precautions for user	Cargo Only Packing Instructions	
	Cargo Only Maximum Qty / Pack	
	Passenger and Cargo Packing Instructions	
	Passenger and Cargo Maximum Qty / Pack	
	Passenger and Cargo Limited Quantity Packing Instructions	
	Passenger and Cargo Limited Maximum Qty / Pack	5 kg

### Sea transport (IMDG-Code / GGVSee)

FERRIC CHLORIDE, AI	FERRIC CHLORIDE, ANHYDROUS	
IMDG Class 8		
IMDG Subsidiary Hazard Not Applicable		
III		
Not Applicable		
EMS Number F-A, S-B		
Special provisions	Not Applicable	
Limited Quantities	5 kg	
-	IMDG Subsidiary Haz  II  Not Applicable  EMS Number  Special provisions	

### 14.7.1. Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL and the IBC code

Product name	Pollution Category	Ship Type
Ferric chloride solutions	Υ	3

### 14.7.2. Transport in bulk in accordance with MARPOL Annex V and the IMSBC Code

Product name	Group
Ferric Chloride Anhydrous	Not Available

### 14.7.3. Transport in bulk in accordance with the IGC Code

Product name	Ship Type
Ferric Chloride Anhydrous	Not Available

### **SECTION 15 Regulatory information**

### Safety, health and environmental regulations / legislation specific for the substance or mixture

### Ferric Chloride Anhydrous is found on the following regulatory lists

Australia Hazardous Chemical Information System (HCIS) - Hazardous Chemicals

Australia Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP) - Schedule 2

Australia Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP) - Schedule 4

Australia Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP) - Schedule 5

Australia Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP) - Schedule 6

Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals (AIIC)

### **Additional Regulatory Information**

Not Applicable

## **National Inventory Status**

National Inventory Status	
National Inventory	Status
Australia - AIIC / Australia Non- Industrial Use	Yes
Canada - DSL	Yes
Canada - NDSL	No (Ferric Chloride Anhydrous)
China - IECSC	Yes
Europe - EINEC / ELINCS / NLP	Yes
Japan - ENCS	Yes
Korea - KECI	Yes
New Zealand - NZIoC	Yes
Philippines - PICCS	Yes

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National Inventory	Status
USA - TSCA	All chemical substances in this product have been designated as TSCA Inventory 'Active'
Taiwan - TCSI	Yes
Mexico - INSQ	Yes
Vietnam - NCI	Yes
Russia - FBEPH	Yes
Legend:	Yes = All CAS declared ingredients are on the inventory No = One or more of the CAS listed ingredients are not on the inventory. These ingredients may be exempt or will require registration.

### **SECTION 16 Other information**

Revision Date	20/06/2022
Initial Date	10/09/2001

### **SDS Version Summary**

Version	Date of Update	Sections Updated
8.1	10/07/2012	Toxicological information - Acute Health (skin), First Aid measures - Advice to Doctor, CAS Number, Toxicological information - Chronic Health, Ecological Information - Environmental, Exposure controls / personal protection - Exposure Standard, First Aid measures - First Aid (inhaled), Exposure controls / personal protection - Personal Protection (Respirator), Accidental release measures - Spills (minor), Handling and storage - Storage (storage incompatibility), Identification of the substance / mixture and of the company / undertaking - Supplier Information, Toxicological information - Toxicity and Irritation (Other)
10.1	20/06/2022	Expiration. Review and Update

#### Other information

Classification of the preparation and its individual components has drawn on official and authoritative sources as well as independent review by the Chemwatch Classification committee using available literature references.

The SDS is a Hazard Communication tool and should be used to assist in the Risk Assessment. Many factors determine whether the reported Hazards are Risks in the workplace or other settings. Risks may be determined by reference to Exposures Scenarios. Scale of use, frequency of use and current or available engineering controls must be considered.

#### **Definitions and abbreviations**

- ▶ PC TWA: Permissible Concentration-Time Weighted Average
- ▶ PC STEL: Permissible Concentration-Short Term Exposure Limit
- ▶ IARC: International Agency for Research on Cancer
- ▶ ACGIH: American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists
- ▶ STEL: Short Term Exposure Limit
- TEEL: Temporary Emergency Exposure Limit。
- ▶ IDLH: Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health Concentrations
- ES: Exposure Standard
- ▶ OSF: Odour Safety Factor
- NOAEL: No Observed Adverse Effect Level
- LOAEL: Lowest Observed Adverse Effect Level
- TLV: Threshold Limit Value
- LOD: Limit Of Detection
- OTV: Odour Threshold Value
- ▶ BCF: BioConcentration Factors
- ▶ BEI: Biological Exposure Index
- ▶ DNEL: Derived No-Effect Level
- ▶ PNEC: Predicted no-effect concentration
- ▶ AIIC: Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals
- ▶ DSL: Domestic Substances List
- ▶ NDSL: Non-Domestic Substances List
- ▶ IECSC: Inventory of Existing Chemical Substance in China
- ▶ EINECS: European INventory of Existing Commercial chemical Substances
- ► ELINCS: European List of Notified Chemical Substances
- ▶ NLP: No-Longer Polymers
- ▶ ENCS: Existing and New Chemical Substances Inventory
- KECI: Korea Existing Chemicals Inventory
- ► NZIoC: New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals
- ▶ PICCS: Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances
- ► TSCA: Toxic Substances Control Act
- ▶ TCSI: Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory
- ▶ INSQ: Inventario Nacional de Sustancias Químicas
- NCI: National Chemical Inventory
   FBEPH: Russian Register of Potentially Hazardous Chemical and Biological Substances

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