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SAFETY DATA SHEET (SDS)

FERRIC CHLORIDE SOLUTION

Preface

Ferric Chloride Solution is a brown to dark brown liquid. Ferric Chloride Solution can cause skin and eye irritation.

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1	CHEMICAL PRODUCT & COMPANY IDENTIFICATION
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Product name : Ferric Chloride Solution

Chemical name : Ferric Chloride Solution

Chemical formula : FeCl_3

Other names : Iron (III) Chloride

Company's name & address : Chemical industries (Far East) Limited

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Emergency telephone number : 6265 0411 or 6867 7433 (Manufacturing plant's control room)

2	HAZARD IDENTIFICATION
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GHS CLASSIFICATION :

Acute Toxicity :

Oral : Category 4

Dermal: Category 5

Inhalation : Not classified

Skin corrosion/irritation: Category 1C

Serious eye damage/irritation : Category 1

Skin sensitization: Not classified

Carcinogenicity Not classified

Reproductive toxicity : Not classified

Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure) Not classified

Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure) Not classified

GHS label elements

Pictograms:



Corrosive

Danger

Signal word:

Hazard Statement(s):

H314: Causes severe skin burns and eye damage

H401: Toxic to aquatic life

Precautionary Statement(s):

Prevention:

P260: Do not breathe mist, vapours, spray

P264: Wash hands thoroughly after handling.

P273: Avoid release to the environment.

P280: Wear protective gloves, eye protection

Response:

P301 + P330 + P331: IF SWALLOWED: rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.

P303 + P361 + P353: IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.

P304 + P340: IF INHALED: remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.

P305 + P351 + P338: IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

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P310: Immediately call a POISON CENTRE or doctor/physician

3	COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS
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Ingredients	CAS No. ¹	EC-No. ²	EC-Index-No. ³	Symbol / R-phrase	Content
Ferric Chloride (FeCl ₃)	: 7705-08-0	231-548-0	017-002-01-X	R22, R34	≤ 38 %
					R 22 = Harmful if swallowed
					R34 = Causes burns

4	FIRST-AID MEASURES
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Types of contact...	First aid measures
Eye contact	Wash eyes thoroughly with water for at least 15 minutes with eyelids held widely open. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Immediately summon for eye doctor / specialist.
Skin contact	Immediately wash off with plenty of water. Any clothing contaminated with ferric chloride should be removed immediately and washed before re-use. Summon medical attention for serious exposure.
Inhalation	Remove to fresh air and give oxygen if necessary. Immediately summon for medical attention.
Ingestion	Do NOT induce vomiting. If victim is conscious give plenty of water then milk of magnesia. Never give anything to an unconscious victim. Immediately summon medical attention.

5	FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES
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Fire-fighting media	: Foam. Dry powder. Water spray. Sand. Do not use a heavy water stream.
Protective equipment for fire-fighting	: Fire fighters should use full protective clothing and full-face positive pressure self-contained breathing apparatus.
Special risks	: Hazardous combustion gases or vapors will be developed in the event of fire; hydrogen chloride gas and iron oxides. Prevent fire-fighting water contaminated with the substance to enter drains or sewerage systems.

6	ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES
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Personal protective equipment	: Avoid contact with skin / eye. Use full protective clothing, rubber gloves, rubber boots, and eye goggles.
Procedure to stop / minimize	: 1. Prevent further leakage if it is safe to do so. 2. For minor spill / leak, flush with large amount of water. 3. For the contained spill / leak, render harmless by careful neutralization with alkali/hydrated lime. Assistance can be obtained from licensed waste disposal contractors / supplier. 4. If major spill / leak is not under control, inform SCDF / fire brigade / police / supplier. 5. Clean up affected area.
Method to clean up	: Soak up spills by neutralizing with alkali/hydrated lime. Collect and contain the neutralized material for proper disposal. Flush the affected area with plenty of water.

¹ CAS – Chemical Abstract Service

² EC no. – No. given by EC Commission

³ EC Index No. – as per appendix 1 of the regulation 67/548/EC

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Dispose in accordance to current local disposal regulations.
(In Singapore, The Environmental Public Health (Toxic industrial waste) Regulations.)

Environmental precautions : Prevent liquid from entering sewer, surface water, ground water and soil. Advise authorities if substance has entered a watercourse / drain / soil.

7	HANDLING & STORAGE
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Handling : Wear protective equipment for handling. Keep containers closed tightly. Handle containers with care. Container remains hazardous when empty. Continue to observe all precautions until it had been properly washed. Do not breathe in mist, vapours and spray.

Storage : Store in a cool, dry, ventilated area away from heat, sparks, flames and direct sunlight. Store away from strong bases and metals. Store in temperatures between 5°C and 30°C.

8	EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION
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Engineering controls : Provide adequate general and/or local ventilation in areas of storage and use where ferric chloride is present to meet PEL (personal exposure limit) requirements. Provide water supply / emergency eyewash / shower near area of handling. Emergency eye wash and safety showers should be available in the immediate vicinity of any potential exposure. Provide adequate general and local exhaust ventilation.

Safe work practices / industrial hygiene : Wash hands and face and other exposed areas with mild soap after working with the substance, and before eating / drinking. Immediately remove contaminated clothing. Wash before re-using.

Personal protection

1. Eye protection : Use safety goggle / face shield.
2. Skin protection : Use rubber gloves, protective clothing and rubber boots. Chemical resistance of materials should be ascertained with the vendor.
3. Respiratory protection : Use approved half-face filter respirator suitable for the substance to be worn when dust / mist is present above permissible limits.
4. Other protective equipment : Uniform, long-sleeved lab coat

Occupational exposure standards : TWA 8 hours = 1 ppm
STEL = 1 ppm (Singapore permissible exposure limit)
(TWA – time weighted average, STEL – Short term exposure limit)

9	PHYSICAL & CHEMICAL PROPERTIES
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Appearance : Dark brown liquid

Boiling point : 104°C - 117 °C

Melting point : -9°C to -6°C

Vapor pressure (at 20°C) : 40 mm Hg

Specific gravity (at 20°C) : 1.32 – 1.51

Solubility in water (at 20°C) : Very soluble

Evaporation rate : Not applicable

Vapor density : Not applicable

Odor : Pungent odor with sulfur dioxide

pH (at 100 g/l, 20°C) : < 2.0

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Flash point : Not applicable

Explosive limits : Not applicable

lower : Not applicable

upper : Not applicable

Auto-ignition temperature : Not applicable

Flammability : Not applicable

Molecular weight : 162.2

10 STABILITY & REACTIVITY

Reactivity : Corrosive vapours

Stability : Stable

Possibility of hazardous reactions : No information available

Conditions to avoid instability : Light, heat

Incompatible materials : Most common metals, aluminum, strong bases, strong oxidizing agents, potassium metal

Hazardous decomposition products : Hydrogen chloride

11 TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ingestion : Harmful if swallowed. Can cause liver and/or kidney damage if swallowed and may even be fatal.

Eye contact : Causes serious eye damage.

Skin contact : Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

Inhalation : Not available.

Animal Toxicity Data : Not available.

12 ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Biodegradability : Not available.

Environmental Effects : Not available.

13 DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Considerations : Do not dispose substance directly to sewerage, ground-water and surface-water system. Consult approved waste collectors for disposal.

Singapore regulations : Dispose in accordance to current local disposal regulations.
(In Singapore, The Environmental Public Health (Toxic industrial waste) Regulations.)

14 TRANSPORT INFORMATION

Proper shipping name (for land / sea / air) : Ferric Chloride Solution

Land [The Environmental Pollution Control (Hazardous substances) Regulations]

UN No. ⁴	Hazard class	PSA Group ⁵
2582	8	III

⁴ UN No. – No. Issued by United Nations Subcommittee of Experts

⁵ PSA Group – Grouping of dangerous goods by Port Of Singapore Authority

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<u>Sea</u> (IMDG ⁶ / IMO ⁷)	2582	8	III
<u>Air</u> (ICAO ⁸ / IATA ⁹)	2582	8	III

15	REGULATORY INFORMATION
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In Singapore:

Import & sale of hazardous substances : Environmental Protection and Management (Hazardous Substances) Regulations
Disposal of obsolete / expired chemicals / waste : Environmental Public Health (Toxic Industrial Waste) Regulations

Symbol : C Corrosive
R-phases : R 22 Harmful if swallowed.
R34 Causes burns.
S-phases : S26 In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.
S36/37/39 Wear suitable protective clothing, gloves and eye/face protection.
S45 In case of accident or if you feel unwell, seek medical advice immediately (show the label where possible).
S60 This material and its container must be disposed of as hazardous waste.

	Hazard type	Hazard class.	UN No.	Hazchem code
Ferric Chloride	Corrosive	8	2582	2T
NFPA rating ¹⁰	Health 2	Reactivity 0	Flammability 0	Other None

16	OTHER INFORMATION
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Revision No.	Date of issue	Description of changes
A	29 June 2015	Initial release
B	25 June 2020	Overall reviewed
C	17 August 2023	Overall reviewed

⁶ IMDG – International Maritime Dangerous Goods

⁷ IMO – International Maritime Organisation

⁸ ICAO – International Civil Aviation Organisation

⁹ IATA – International Air Transport Association

¹⁰ NFPA rating – rating according to National Fire Protection Agency