



Material Safety Data Sheet

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1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product Name Ferric chloride hexahydrate
Cat No. I86-3; I86-10; I88-100; I88-500
Synonyms Iron(III) chloride hexahydrate (Lumps/Technical/Certified ACS)
Recommended Use Laboratory chemicals

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One Reagent Lane
Fair Lawn, NJ 07410
Tel: (201) 796-7100

Emergency Telephone Number
CHEMTREC®, Inside the USA: 800-424-9300
CHEMTREC®, Outside the USA: 001-703-527-3887

2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

DANGER!

Emergency Overview

Causes burns by all exposure routes. Harmful if swallowed. Hygroscopic.

Appearance Dark yellow

Physical State Solid

odor odorless

Target Organs Skin, Eyes, Respiratory system, Gastrointestinal tract (GI), Liver, Kidney, Blood

Potential Health Effects

Acute Effects

Principle Routes of Exposure

Eyes

Causes burns.

Skin

Causes burns. May be harmful in contact with skin.

Inhalation

Causes burns. May be harmful if inhaled.

Ingestion

Harmful if swallowed. Causes burns.

Chronic Effects

Experiments have shown reproductive toxicity effects on laboratory animals. May cause adverse liver effects. May cause adverse kidney effects.

See Section 11 for additional Toxicological information.

Aggravated Medical Conditions No information available.

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Haz/Non-haz

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Iron (III) chloride hexahydrate	10025-77-1	100

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Eye Contact	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.
Skin Contact	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Obtain medical attention.
Inhalation	Move to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Do not use mouth-to-mouth resuscitation if victim ingested or inhaled the substance; induce artificial respiration with a respiratory medical device. Get medical attention immediately if symptoms occur.
Ingestion	Do not induce vomiting. Call a physician or Poison Control Center immediately.
Notes to Physician	Treat symptomatically.

5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

Flash Point	Not applicable
Method	No information available.
Autoignition Temperature	No information available.
Explosion Limits	
Upper	No data available
Lower	No data available
Suitable Extinguishing Media	Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.
Unsuitable Extinguishing Media	No information available.
Hazardous Combustion Products	No information available.
Sensitivity to mechanical impact	No information available.
Sensitivity to static discharge	No information available.
Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical	
Containers may explode when heated.	
Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters	
As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.	

NFPA **Health** 3 **Flammability** 0 **Instability** 1 **Physical hazards** N/A

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

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Personal Precautions	Use personal protective equipment. Avoid dust formation. Remove all sources of ignition.
Environmental Precautions	Should not be released into the environment.
Methods for Containment and Clean Up	Sweep up or vacuum up spillage and collect in suitable container for disposal. Avoid dust formation. Remove all sources of ignition.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling	Wear personal protective equipment. Use only under a chemical fume hood. Avoid dust formation. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Do not breathe dust. Do not ingest.
Storage	Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep away from heat and sources of ignition.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Engineering Measures	Use only under a chemical fume hood. Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting/equipment. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.
Exposure Guidelines	This product does not contain any hazardous materials with occupational exposure limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies.

Component	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH IDLH
Iron (III) chloride hexahydrate	TWA: 1 mg/m ³	(Vacated) TWA: 1 mg/m ³	TWA: 1 mg/m ³

Component	Quebec	Mexico OEL (TWA)	Ontario TWAEV
Iron (III) chloride hexahydrate	TWA: 1.0 mg/m ³	TWA: 1 mg/m ³ STEL: 2 mg/m ³	

NIOSH IDLH: *Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health*

Personal Protective Equipment

Eye/face Protection

Wear appropriate protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles as described by OSHA's eye and face protection regulations in 29 CFR 1910.133 or European Standard EN166

Skin and body protection

Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.

Respiratory Protection

Follow the OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard EN 149. Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Physical State	Solid
Appearance	Dark yellow
odor	odorless
Odor Threshold	No information available.
pH	2 0.1M in water
Vapor Pressure	negligible
Vapor Density	No information available.
Viscosity	No information available.
Boiling Point/Range	280 - 285°C / 536 - 545°F

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Melting Point/Range	37°C / 98.6°F
Decomposition temperature	No information available.
Flash Point	Not applicable
Evaporation Rate	negligible
Specific Gravity	1.82 (H ₂ O=1)
Solubility	Soluble in water
log Pow	No data available
Molecular Weight	270.29
Molecular Formula	Cl ₃ Fe . 6 H ₂ O

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Stability	Hygroscopic. Stable under normal conditions.
Conditions to Avoid	Avoid dust formation. Incompatible products. Excess heat. Exposure to moist air or water.
Incompatible Materials	Strong oxidizing agents, Metals
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Hydrogen chloride gas, Chlorine, Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors
Hazardous Polymerization	Hazardous polymerization does not occur
Hazardous Reactions .	None under normal processing.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute Toxicity

Product Information See actual entry in RTECS for complete information.

Component Information

Irritation Causes burns by all exposure routes

Toxicologically Synergistic Products No information available.

Chronic Toxicity

Carcinogenicity There are no known carcinogenic chemicals in this product

Sensitization No information available.

Mutagenic Effects Mutagenic effects have occurred in humans.

Reproductive Effects Experiments have shown reproductive toxicity effects on laboratory animals.

Developmental Effects No information available.

Teratogenicity No information available.

Other Adverse Effects The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.. See actual entry in RTECS for complete information.

Endocrine Disruptor Information No information available

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity

. Do not empty into drains.

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Iron (III) chloride hexahydrate	Not listed	22 mg/l 96H (anh subst)	Not listed	9.6 mg/l 48H (anh subst)

Persistence and Degradability No information available

Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation No information available

Mobility

Component	log Pow
Iron (III) chloride hexahydrate	4

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste Disposal Methods Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. Chemical waste generators must also consult local, regional, and national hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

DOT

UN-No UN3260
Proper Shipping Name CORROSIVE SOLID, ACIDIC, INORGANIC, N.O.S.
Proper technical name Iron (III) chloride hexahydrate
Hazard Class 8
Packing Group III

TDG

UN-No UN3260
Proper Shipping Name CORROSIVE SOLID, ACIDIC, INORGANIC, N.O.S.
Hazard Class 8
Packing Group III

IATA

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

UN-No UN3260
Proper Shipping Name Corrosive solid, acidic, inorganic, n.o.s
Hazard Class 8
Packing Group III

IMDG/IMO

UN-No UN3260
Proper Shipping Name Corrosive solid, acidic, inorganic, n.o.s
Hazard Class 8
Packing Group III

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

International Inventories

Component	TSCA	DSL	NDSL	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	PICCS	ENCS	AICS	CHINA	KECL
Iron (III) chloride hexahydrate	-	-	-	-	-		X	X	X	X	-

Legend:

X - Listed

E - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(e) Consent order under TSCA.

F - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(f) Rule under TSCA.

N - Indicates a polymeric substance containing no free-radical initiator in its inventory name but is considered to cover the designated polymer made with any free-radical initiator regardless of the amount used.

P - Indicates a commenced PMN substance

R - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 6 risk management rule under TSCA.

S - Indicates a substance that is identified in a proposed or final Significant New Use Rule

T - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 4 test rule under TSCA.

XU - Indicates a substance exempt from reporting under the Inventory Update Rule, i.e. Partial Updating of the TSCA Inventory Data Base Production and Site Reports (40 CFR 710(B)).

Y1 - Indicates an exempt polymer that has a number-average molecular weight of 1,000 or greater.

Y2 - Indicates an exempt polymer that is a polyester and is made only from reactants included in a specified list of low concern reactants that comprises one of the eligibility criteria for the exemption rule.

U.S. Federal Regulations

TSCA 12(b) Not applicable

SARA 313

Not applicable

SARA 311/312 Hazardous Categorization

Acute Health Hazard	Yes
Chronic Health Hazard	Yes
Fire Hazard	No
Sudden Release of Pressure Hazard	No
Reactive Hazard	No

Clean Water Act

Clean Air Act

Not applicable

OSHA

Not applicable

CERCLA

This material, as supplied, contains one or more substances regulated as a hazardous substance under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) (40 CFR 302)

California Proposition 65

This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals.

State Right-to-Know

Component	Massachusetts	New Jersey	Pennsylvania	Illinois	Rhode Island
Iron (III) chloride hexahydrate	-	-	X	-	X

U.S. Department of Transportation

Reportable Quantity (RQ): Y
 DOT Marine Pollutant N
 DOT Severe Marine Pollutant N

U.S. Department of Homeland Security

This product does not contain any DHS chemicals.

Other International Regulations

Mexico - Grade No information available

Canada

This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations (CPR) and the MSDS contains all the information required by the CPR.

WHMIS Hazard Class

D2A Very toxic materials
 E Corrosive material



16. OTHER INFORMATION

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End of MSDS