


# MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

## Ruthenium (III) Chloride Hydrate

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### 1. Product And Company Identification

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**Issue Date:** 08/22/2007

**Product Name:** Ruthenium (III) Chloride Hydrate

**CAS Number:** 14898-67-0

**Chemical Family:** Metal halide

**Chemical Formula:** RuCl<sub>3</sub>.xH<sub>2</sub>O

**MSDS Number:** 8002

**Product Code:** 8002

**Synonyms**

Ruthenium trichloride

### 2. Composition/Information On Ingredients

Ingredient Name	CAS Number	Percent Of Total Weight
Ruthenium (III) Chloride Hydrate	14898-67-0	99.9 - 100

### EMERGENCY OVERVIEW

**Corrosive to skin and eyes. Material has a strong odor of chlorine. Inhalation will lead to burning of the respiratory tract.**

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### Hazards Identification (Pictograms)



### 3. Hazards Identification

#### Primary Route(s) Of Entry

Eye: Likely  
Inhalation: Likely  
Skin: Likely  
Ingestion: Likely

#### Eye Hazards

May cause mild to severe irritation to the eyes. Corrosive to the eyes.

#### Skin Hazards

Causes burns to the skin.

#### Ingestion Hazards

No information is available on the the physiological effects of ingestion.

#### Inhalation Hazards

The material has strong chlorine odor. Inhalation will lead to burning of the respiratory tract.

#### Conditions Aggravated By Exposure

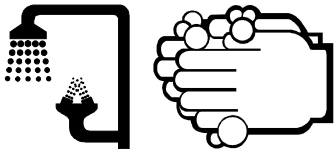
May cause irritation of the respiratory system. Maintain housekeeping and personal hygiene to minimize exposure and prevent sensitization.

#### Conditions Aggravated By Overexposure

To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, the physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

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### First Aid (Pictograms)



### 4. First Aid Measures

#### Eye

Flush for 15 minutes with plenty of water. If discomfort occurs or persists, contact a physician.

#### Skin

Flush area for 15 minutes with water and wash with soap and water. If discomfort occurs or persists, contact a physician. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes and wash before reuse.

#### Ingestion

Seek medical attention immediately. Keep victim calm. Give the victim water (only if conscious). Induce vomiting only if directed by medical personnel.

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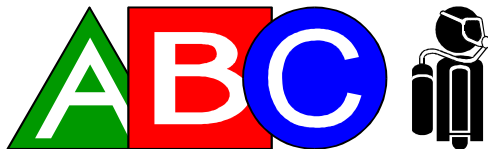
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### 4. First Aid Measures - Continued

#### Inhalation

Remove the victim to fresh air. Closely monitor the victim for signs of respiratory problems, such as difficulty in breathing, coughing, wheezing, or pain. In such cases seek immediate medical attention.

### Fire Fighting (Pictograms)



### 5. Fire Fighting Measures

**Flash Point:** NA °F NA °C

**Flash Point Method:** NA

**Autoignition Point:** NA °F NA °C

**Flammability Class:** NA

**Lower Explosive Limit:** NA

**Upper Explosive Limit:** NA

#### Fire And Explosion Hazards

No unusual fire or explosion hazards.

#### Extinguishing Media

Dry chemical

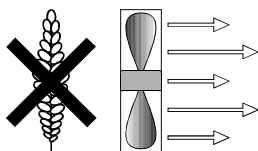
#### Fire Fighting Instructions

Use NIOSH/ANSI approved self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective clothing.

### 6. Accidental Release Measures

Small spills can be mixed with vermiculite or sodium carbonate and swept up.

### Handling & Storage (Pictograms)



### 7. Handling And Storage

#### Handling And Storage Precautions

Store material in a tightly sealed bottle. If possible, handle material in an efficient fume hood.

#### Handling Precautions

Do not get into eyes, on skin, on clothing.

#### Storage Precautions

Keep tightly closed container. Store in a dry cool place.

#### Work/Hygienic Practices

Wash thoroughly with soap and water after handling. Wash thoroughly after handling. Use good personal hygiene.

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### Protective Clothing (Pictograms)



### 8. Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

#### Engineering Controls

Ventilation: Local Exhaust: Required in handling area  
Mechanical: Desirable to insure concentration of material below TLV/TWA concentrations.  
Other: Closed Ventilation system - Dust (Laboratory Fume hood)

Safety shower and eyewash

#### Eye/Face Protection

ANSI approved safety glasses/goggles

#### Skin Protection

Rubber/Neoprene (use compatible chemical-resistant gloves).

#### Respiratory Protection

NIOSH approved chemical cartridge respiratory for particulates and acid gas or self-contained breathing apparatus with full face shield.

### 9. Physical And Chemical Properties

#### Appearance

black powder

#### Odor

may have a strong chlorine odor.

#### Odor Threshold

none.

**Chemical Type:** Mixture

**Physical State:** Solid

**Melting Point:** NA °F NA °C

**Boiling Point:** Decomposes °F Decomposes °C

**Specific Gravity:** 3.11 g/cm<sup>3</sup>

**Molecular Weight:** 207.43 (anhydrous)

**Percent Volatiles:** NA

**Percent VOCs:** NA

**Packing Density:** NA

**Vapor Pressure:** NA

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**pH Factor:** NA At a Concentration Of NA

**Solubility:** Soluble in water

**Viscosity:** NA

**Evaporation Rate:** NA

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### 10. Stability And Reactivity

**Stability:** Hygroscopic

**Hazardous Polymerization:** none

**Conditions To Avoid (Stability)**

Material may absorb water from the atmosphere on prolonged exposure.

**Incompatible Materials**

Strong reducing agents.

**Hazardous Decomposition Products**

Hydrogen chloride and chlorine.

**Conditions To Avoid (Polymerization)**

None.

### 11. Toxicological Information

**Miscellaneous Toxicological Information**

To the best of our knowledge the chemical, physical, and toxicological effects of this compound have not been thoroughly investigated.

### 12. Ecological Information

No Data Available...

### 13. Disposal Considerations

Consult Federal EPA, State and local regulations for proper disposal/recycle/reclamation

NOTE: Chemical additions, processing, or otherwise altering this material may make the waste management information presented above incomplete, inaccurate, or otherwise inappropriate.

### 14. Transport Information

**Proper Shipping Name**

Corrosive solid, acidic, inorganic, n.o.s.

**Hazard Class**

8

**Secondary Hazard Class**

PG II

**DOT Identification Number**

UN1759

**DOT Shipping Label**

Corrosive solid, acidic, inorganic, n.o.s.

**Freight Class**

see 40 CFR

**Packaging Exceptions**

See 40 CFR

**Packaging Requirements**

See 40 CFR

**Additional Shipping Paper Description**

IATA:

Proper Shipping Name: Corrosive solid, acidic, inorganic, n.o.s.

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## Ruthenium (III) Chloride Hydrate

### 14. Transport Information - Continued

#### Additional Shipping Paper Description - Continued

IATA UN#: 3260

Hazard Class: 8

Packaging Group: II

#### DOT (Pictograms)



#### ADR - Europe (Pictograms)



#### TDG - Canada (Pictograms)



### 15. Regulatory Information

#### U.S. Regulatory Information

Listed in the TSCA inventory as  $\text{RuCl}_3$  (CAS# 10049-08-8).

#### Canadian Regulatory Information

This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of CPR, and the MSDS contains all the information required by the CPR.

#### European Union (EU) Regulatory Information

Symbol of Danger: C

Indication of Danger: Corrosive

R: 34

Risk Phrase: Causes burns.

S: 26 36/37/39 45

Safety Phrase: In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice. Wear suitable protective clothing, gloves, and eye/face protection. In case of accident or if you feel unwell, seek medical advice immediately. (show the label where possible)

#### Other International Regulations

US Classification and Label Text

Indication of Danger: Corrosive

Risk Phrase: Causes burns.

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### 15. Regulatory Information - Continued

#### Other International Regulations - Continued

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#### WHMIS - Canada (Pictograms)



### 16. Other Information

#### NFPA Rating

Health: 3

Fire: 0

Reactivity: 0

Other: COR

#### HMIS Rating

Health: 3

Fire: 0

Reactivity: 0

Personal Protection: J

#### Revision/Preparer Information

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MSDS Preparer Phone Number: (410)398-7200

### Disclaimer

In compliance with the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard, 29 C.F.R 1910.1200, we are providing you with a Materials Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) for the hazardous material you are purchasing.

It is your responsibility to educate your employees on the safe use of the hazardous material. With this in mind, a copy should be forwarded to the supervisor of the user or to the user themselves, and copy should be retained in your files for future reference.

Colonial Metals, Inc. makes no presentation as to the accuracy of the information in the MSDS. The information is believed to be correct; however, you (the customer), should perform your own investigation and independent verification. If you resell the product, you are responsible to forward the information in the MSDS to your customer.

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