# **Section 1: Identification**

EMERGENCY PHONE: CHEMTREC 800-424-9300 (US) Day or night

Customer No. 16568

TRADE NAME: Aqua Regia Reagent

CHEMICAL FAMILY: Corrosive Liquids, Acidic, Inorganic n.o.s. (Hydrochloric, Nitric Acid)

**HMIS RATING:** HEALTH: 3 FLAMMABILITY: 1 REACTIVITY: 1

HAZARD RATING:

LEAST: 0 SLIGHT: 1 MODERATE: 2 HIGH: 3 EXTREME: 4

# **Section 2: Hazard(s) Identification**

GHS Classification in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)	Acute toxicity, Oral (Category 4), H302 Acute toxicity, Dermal (Category 4), H312 Skin irritation (Category 2), H315 Serious eye damage (Category 1), H318 Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Category 1), H370 Acute aquatic toxicity (Category 1), H400 Acute aquatic toxicity (Category 2), H401 Chronic aquatic toxicity (Category 2), H411
PICTOGRAM(s):	
SIGNAL WORD:	Danger
HAZARD STATEMENTS:	Hazard Statement(s): H302- Harmful if swallowed H312- Harmful in contact with skin H315- Causes skin irritation H318 - Causes serious eye damage H370- Causes damage to organs

	H401- Toxic to aquatic life					
	H411- Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects					
PRECAUTIONARY	Precautionary Statement(s):					
STATEMENTS:						
	Preventions:					
	P210-Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. — No smoking.					
	P233- Keep container tightly closed.					
	P240- Ground/bond container and receiving equipment.					
	P241- Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting/equipment.					
	42- Use only non-sparking tools.					
	3- Take precautionary measures against static discharge. 0- Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray.					
	P264- Wash skin thoroughly after handling.					
	P270- Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.					
	P273- Avoid release to the environment.					
	P280- Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.					
	1 200 Wear protective groves/protective clothing/eye protection/ruce protection.					
	Response:					
	P301+312- IF SWALLOWED: call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician IF you feel					
	unwell.					
	P302+352- IF ON SKIN: wash with plenty of soap and water.					
	03+ P361+P353- IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/Take off Immediately all contaminated					
	othing. Rinse SKIN with water/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.					
	P307+P311- IF exposed: call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.					
	P310- Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.					
	P312- Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.					
	P321- Specific treatment (see Section 4 SDS).					
	P322- Specific measures (see Section 4 SDS).					
	P330- Rinse mouth.					
	P363- Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.					
	P370+P378- In case of fire: Use dry chemical, CO2 or appropriate foam for extinction.					
	P391- Collect spillage. Hazardous to the aquatic environment					
	Storage:					
	P403+P235- Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool.					
	P405- Store locked up.					
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	Disposal:					
	P501- Dispose of contents/container to Federal, State and Local Regulations.					

## **Emergency Overview**

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POISON! DANGER! MAY BE FATAL IF SWALLOWED. HARMFUL IF INHALED OR ABSORBED THROUGH SKIN. VAPOR HARMFUL. FLAMMABLE! AFFECTS CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM. MAY CAUSE BLINDNESS. CANNOT BE MADE NONPOISONOUS. CAUSES IRRITATION TO SKIN, EYES AND RESPIRATORY TRACT. MAY AFFECT LIVER, BLOOD, REPRODUCTIVE SYSTEM.

**SAF-T-DATA**(tm) Ratings (Provided here for your convenience)

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Health Rating: 3 - Severe (Poison) Flammability Rating: 1 - Slight Reactivity Rating: 1 - Slight

Contact Rating: 3 - Severe (Life and Corrosive)

Lab Protective Equip: GOGGLES & SHIELD; LAB COAT & APRON; VENT HOOD;

PROPER GLOVES; CLASS B EXTINGUISHER

Storage Color Code: White (Corrosive)

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### **Potential Health Effects**

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#### **Inhalation:**

Copper Chloride - Causes irritation to respiratory tract, symptoms may include coughing, sore throat, and shortness of breath. May result in ulceration and perforation of respiratory tract. When heated, this compound may give off copper fume, which can cause symptoms similar to the common cold, including chills and stuffiness of the head.

### **Ingestion:**

Copper Chloride - May cause burning pain in the mouth, esophagus, and stomach. Hemorrhagic gastritis, nausea, vomiting, abdominal pain, metallic taste, and diarrhea may occur. If vomiting does not occur immediately systemic copper poisoning may occur. Symptoms may include capillary damage, headache, cold sweat, weak pulse, kidney and liver damage, central nervous excitation followed by depression, jaundice, convulsions, blood effects, paralysis and coma. Death may occur from shock or renal failure.

Copper Chloride - Causes irritation, redness, and pain. Some individuals may develop copper allergies.

IF SWALLOWED: rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting. Dilute with water or milk. Vomiting may occur spontaneously but do not induce. Call a physician immediately.

### **Eye Contact:**

Copper Chloride - Causes severe irritation with symptoms of redness, pain, blurred vision, discoloration, and possible eye damage.

### **Chronic Exposure:**

Copper Chloride - Prolonged or repeated skin exposure may cause dermatitis. Prolonged or repeated exposure to dusts of copper salts may cause discoloration of the skin or hair, blood and liver damage, ulceration and perforation of the nasal septum, runny nose, metallic taste, and atrophic changes and irritation of the mucous membranes.

CONTACT: Skin contact causes burns, blistering, local necrosis, and membrane ulceration. Burns may be 2nd or 3rd degree

### **Aggravation of Pre-existing Conditions:**

Copper Chloride - Persons with pre-existing skin disorders, impaired liver, kidney, or pulmonary function, glucose 6-phosphate-dehydrogenase deficiency, or pre-existing Wilson's disease may be more susceptible to the effects of this material.

## **Section 3: Composition/Information on Ingredients**

#### HAZARD INGREDIENTS

CHEMICAL	CAS NUMBER	% PRESENT	Hazardous	
Water	7732-18-5	40-60%	No	
Copper (II) chloride	7447-39-4	10-20%	Yes	
Hydrogen Chloride	7647-01-0	5-15%	Yes	
Nitric Acid	7697-37-2	10 - 15%	Yes	

## **Section 4: First-Aid Measures**

#### **Inhalation:**

Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Call a physician.

### **Ingestion:**

Induce vomiting immediately as directed by medical personnel. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.

### **Skin Contact:**

In case of contact, wipe off excess material from skin then immediately flush skin with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Wash clothing before reuse. Call a physician.

### **Eye Contact:**

Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes, lifting lower and upper eyelids occasionally. Get medical attention immediately.

## **Section 5: Fire-Fighting Measures**

#### Fire:

Autoignition temperature: 422C (792F)

### **Explosion:**

Above flash point, vapor-air mixtures are explosive within flammable limits noted above. Vapors can flow along surfaces to distant ignition source and flash back. Sealed containers may rupture when heated. Sensitive to static discharge.

### Fire Extinguishing Media:

Water spray, dry chemical, alcohol foam, or carbon dioxide. Water may be ineffective.

### **Special Information:**

In the event of a fire, wear full protective clothing and NIOSH-approved self-contained breathing apparatus with full facepiece operated in the pressure demand or other positive pressure mode. Water spray can be used to extinguish fires and cool fire-exposed containers. Water may be used to flush spills away from exposures and to dilute spills to non-flammable mixtures.

### **Section 6: Accidental Release Measures**

Ventilate area of leak or spill. Remove all sources of ignition. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment as specified in Section 8. Isolate hazard area. Keep unnecessary and unprotected personnel from entering. Contain and recover liquid when possible. Use non-sparking tools and equipment. Collect liquid in an appropriate container or absorb with an inert material (e. g., vermiculite, dry sand, earth), and place in a chemical waste container. Do not use combustible materials, such as saw dust. Do not flush to sewer! US Regulations (CERCLA) require reporting spills and releases to soil, water and air in excess of reportable quantities. The toll free number for the US Coast Guard National Response Center is (800) 424-8802.

# **Section 7: Handling and Storage**

Protect against physical damage. Store in a cool, dry well-ventilated location, away from any area where the fire hazard may be acute. Outside or detached storage is preferred. Separate from incompatibles. Containers should be bonded and grounded for transfers to avoid static sparks. Storage and use areas should be No Smoking areas. Use non-sparking type tools and equipment, including explosion proof ventilation. Containers of this material may be hazardous when empty since they retain product residues (vapors, liquid); observe all warnings and precautions listed for the product.

# **Section 8: Exposure Controls/ Personal Protection**

Chemical Name	Limit Type	Country	Exposure Limit	Information Source	
Cupric Chloride Dihydrate (10125- 13-0)	TLV-TWA	USA	1 mg/m³ TWA (dust and mist, as Cu)	ACGIH - Threshold Limit Values - Time Weighted Averages (TLV-TWA)	
Hydrochloric Acid (7647-01-0)	TLV-Ceiling	USA	2 ppm Ceiling	ACGIH - Threshold Limit Values - Ceilings (TLV-C)	
Hydrochloric Acid (7647-01-0)	PEL-Ceiling	USA	5 ppm Ceiling 7 mg/m³ Ceiling	U.S OSHA - Final PELs - Ceiling Limits	
Nitric Acid (7697-37-2)	TWA	USA	2 ppm TWA 5 mg/m³ TWA	U.S OSHA - Final PELs - Time Weighted Averages (TWAs)	
Nitric Acid (7697-37-2)	TLV-STEL	USA	4 ppm STEL	ACGIH - Threshold Limit Values - Short Term Exposure Limits (TLV-STEL)	
Nitric Acid (7697-37-2)	TLV-TWA	USA	2 ppm TWA	ACGIH - Threshold Limit Values - Time Weighted Averages (TLV-TWA	

### **Ventilation System:**

A system of local and/or general exhaust is recommended to keep employee exposures below the Airborne Exposure Limits. Local exhaust ventilation is generally preferred because it can control the emissions of the contaminant at its source, preventing dispersion of it into the general work area. Please refer to the ACGIH document, *Industrial Ventilation*, *A Manual of Recommended Practices*, most recent edition, for details.

## **Personal Respirators (NIOSH Approved):**

If the exposure limit is exceeded and engineering controls are not feasible, a half facepiece particulate respirator (NIOSH type N95 or better filters) may be worn for up to ten times the exposure limit or the maximum use concentration specified by the appropriate regulatory agency or respirator supplier, whichever is lowest.. A full-face piece particulate respirator (NIOSH type N100 filters) may be worn up to 50 times the exposure limit, or the maximum use concentration specified by the appropriate regulatory agency, or respirator supplier, whichever is lowest. If oil particles (e.g. lubricants, cutting fluids, glycerine, etc.) are present, use a NIOSH type R or P

filter. For emergencies or instances where the exposure levels are not known, use a full-facepiece positive-pressure, air-supplied respirator. WARNING: Air-purifying respirators do not protect workers in oxygen-deficient atmospheres.

#### **Skin Protection:**

Wear impervious protective clothing, including boots, gloves, lab coat, apron or coveralls, as appropriate, to prevent skin contact.

## **Eye Protection:**

Use chemical safety goggles and/or full face shield where dusting or splashing of solutions is possible. Maintain eye wash fountain and quick-drench facilities in work area.

# **Section 9: Physical and Chemical Properties**

### **Appearance:**

Light blue-green clear color.

### Odor:

Mild pleasant whiskey-like odor with slight odor of hydrochloric acid.

### **Solubility:**

Miscible in water.

## **Specific Gravity:**

0.8 - 0.9

## pH:

No information found.

## % Volatiles by volume @ 21C (70F):

>90%

# **Boiling Point:**

Data Not Available

### **Melting Point:**

-114C (-173F)

### **Vapor Density (Air=1):**

Data Not Available

### Vapor Pressure (mm Hg):

Data Not Available

### **Evaporation Rate (BuAc=1):**

ca. 1.4 (CCl4=1) (ethanol)

# Section 10: Stability and Reactivity

### **Stability:**

Stable under ordinary conditions of use and storage.

### **Hazardous Decomposition Products:**

Oxides of the contained metal and halogen, possibly also free, or ionic halogen.

## **Hazardous Polymerization:**

Will not occur.

### **Incompatibilities:**

Copper Chloride-Potassium, sodium, hydrazine, nitromethane, aluminum, strong oxidizers, acetylene, and sodium hypobromite. Corrosive to aluminum; on contact with acids it may release toxic chloride fumes.

### **Conditions to Avoid:**

Product is used for etching metals, take precaution when using in conjunction with incompatibles.

Avoid heat, flames, ignition sources.

# **Section 11: Toxicological Information**

### **Acute Toxicity - Oral Exposure:**

Fatal if swallowed. Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or physician. Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water immediately). Rinse mouth. Store locked up. Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

### **Acute Toxicity - Dermal Exposure:**

Harmful in contact with skin. Wear protective gloves and eye protection. IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water. Call a POISON CENTER or physician if you feel unwell. Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water immediately). Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse. Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

### **Acute Toxicity - Inhalation Exposure:**

Fatal if inhaled. Do not breathe fumes, mist, vapors, or spray. Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area. In case of inadequate ventilation wear respiratory protection. IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER or physician. Specific treatment is urgent (Wash areas of contact with water immediately). Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed. Store locked up. Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

### **Acute Toxicity - Other Information:**

LD50, Oral, Rabbit (Hydrochloric Acid) 900 mg/kg; Details of toxic effects not reported other than lethal dose value. LCLo, inhalation, human: 3000 ppm/5 minutes: No toxic effects noted. LDLo, Oral, Human: 430 mg/kg (Nitric Acid), details of toxic effects not reported other than lethal dose value.

#### **Skin Corrosion and Irritation:**

Causes severe skin burns and eye damage. Do not breathe fumes, mist, vapors, or spray. Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling. Wear protective gloves and eye protection. IF SWALLOWED: rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting. IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER or physician. Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water immediately). IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Store locked up. Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

## **Serious Eye Damage and Irritation:**

Causes serious eye damage. Wear protective gloves and eye protection. IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER or physician.

### **Respiratory Sensitization:**

May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled. Avoid breathing fumes, mist, vapors, or spray. In case of inadequate ventilation wear respiratory protection. IF INHALED: If breathing is difficult, remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. If experiencing respiratory symptoms: Call a POISON CENTER or physician. Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

## **Skin Sensitization:**

May cause an allergic skin reaction. Avoid breathing fumes, mist, vapors, or spray. Contaminated work clothing must not be allowed out of the workplace. Wear protective gloves and eye protection. IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water. If skin irritation occurs: Get medical attention. Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water immediately). Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

### **Germ Cell Mutagenicity:**

Not applicable.

### Carcinogenicity:

Not applicable.

### **Reproductive Toxicity:**

Suspected of damaging fertility or the unborn child. Obtain special instructions before use. Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Wear protective gloves and eye protection. IF exposed or concerned: Get medical attention. Store locked up. Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

### **Specific Target Organ Toxicity from Single Exposure:**

Causes damage to organs. Do not breathe fumes, mist, vapors, or spray. Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. IF exposed: Call a POISON CENTER or physician. Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water immediately). Store locked up. Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

### **Specific Target Organ Toxicity from Repeated Exposure:**

Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure. Do not breathe fumes, mist, vapors, or spray. Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Get medical attention if you feel unwell. Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

### **Aspiration Hazard:**

May be fatal if swallowed and enters airways. IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or physician. Do NOT induce vomiting. Store locked up. Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

### **Additional Toxicology Information:**

Data not available

# **Section 12: Ecological Information**

### **Environmental Fate:**

Very toxic to aquatic life. Avoid release to the environment. Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations. Toxic to aquatic life. Avoid release to the environment. Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

Following data for copper chloride: When released into the soil, this material is not expected to biodegrade. When released into the soil, this material may leach into groundwater. When released into water, this material is not expected to biodegrade. When released into water, this material is not expected to evaporate significantly. This material is expected to significantly bioaccumulate. This material has an experimentally-determined bioconcentration factor (BCF) of greater than 100. Bioaccumulation data for copper.

### **Environmental Toxicity:**

Following data for copper chloride: This material is not expected to be toxic to aquatic life. The LC50/96-hour values for fish are over 100 mg/l.

# **Section 13: Disposal Considerations**

Whatever cannot be saved for recovery or recycling should be handled as hazardous waste and sent to a RCRA approved incinerator or disposed in a RCRA approved waste facility. Processing, use or contamination of this product may change the waste management options. State and local disposal regulations may differ from federal disposal regulations. Dispose of container and unused contents in accordance with federal, state and local requirements.

# **Section 14: Transportation Information**

Domestic (Land, D.O.T.)

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Proper Shipping Name: Corrosive Liquids, Acidic, Inorganic n.o.s. (Hydrochloric, Nitric Acid)

Hazard Class: 8 UN/NA: UN 3264 Packing Group: II Label Codes: 8

NMFC: 45615-11 Shipping Class CL125

### **International (Air, I.C.A.O.)**

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**Proper Shipping Name:** Corrosive Liquid, Acidic, Inorganic n.o.s. (Hydrochloric, Nitric Acid)

Hazard Class: 8 UN/NA: UN 3264 Packing Group: II Label Codes: 8

# **Section 15: Regulatory Information**

\Chemical Inventory Status - Part 1\				
Ingredient	TSCA	EC	Japan	Australia
Copper Chloride (7447-39-4)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hydrogen Chloride (7647-01-0)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Water (7732-18-5)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Nitric Acid (7697-37-2)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

-----\Chemical Inventory Status - Part 2\-----

	Canada			
Ingredient	Korea	DSL	NDSL	Phil.
Copper Chloride (7447-39-4)	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Hydrogen Chloride (7647-01-0)	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Water (7732-18-5)	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Nitric Acid (7697-37-2)	Yes	Yes	No	Yes

\Federal, State & Internat	ional Regulatio	ons - Part	1\
	-SARA 30	2	SARA 313
Ingredient	RQ TE	Q List	Chemical Catg.
Copper Chloride (7447-39-4)	No No	No No	Copper compo
Hydrogen Chloride (7647-01-0)	5000 50	00* Yes	No
Water (7732-18-5)	No No	No No	No
Nitric Acid (7697-37-2)	500 50	00 Yes	No

\Federal, State & International Regulations - Part 2\				
		-RCRA-	-TSCA-	
Ingredient	CERCLA	261.33	8 (d)	
Copper Chloride (7447-39-4)	10	No	No	
Hydrogen Chloride (7647-01-0)	5000	No	No	
Water (7732-18-5)	No	No	No	
Nitric Acid (7697-37-2)	500	No	No	

Chemical Weapons Convention: No TSCA 12(b): No CDTA: Yes SARA 311/312: Acute: Yes Chronic: Yes Fire: Yes Pressure: No Reactivity: No (Mixture / Liquid)

Australian Hazchem Code: 2[S]E,. 2Z

**Poison Schedule: S5** 

WHMIS:

This MSDS has been prepared according to the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations (CPR) and the MSDS contains all of the information required by the CPR.

## **Section 16: Other Information**

### 16.1 NFPA 704



Top, Flammability: 0 – Minimal Hazard

Left, Health Hazard: 3 - Severe Hazard

Right, Reactivity: 1 - Slight Hazard

**Bottom, Special Notice: COR - Corrosive** 

### **Product Use:**

Laboratory Reagent.

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