

# Ferric Chloride 415 Technical Data Sheet

415-Liquid

## **Description**

The 415 Ferric Chloride is an etchant solution for printed circuit board and photoengraving processes.

#### **Benefits and Features**

- Photoengraving Grade—42° Baume
- Ready to use without dilution

#### **ENVIRONMENT**

RoHS Compliant No-VOC

### **Usage Parameters**

Properties	Value
Shelf Life	3 y

### **Temperature Ranges**

Properties	Value
Storage Temperature	-16 to 27 °C
Limits <sup>a)</sup>	[60 to 80 °F]

a) Cool, dry, and well ventilated area recommended.

# **Properties of 415**

Properties	Value
Shelf Life	3 y
Color	Dark orange-brown
Odor	Mild acidic/iron
рН	<1
Percent (wt/wt) of Ferric Chloride (FeCl <sub>3</sub> )	≥38.4%
Ferrous Chloride (FeCl <sub>2</sub> )	<1.5%
Hydrochloric Acid (HCI)	<0.8%
Insolubles	<0.5%
Specific Gravity @20 °C [68 °F]	1.4 g/mL
Boiling Point	106 °C [222 °F]
Freezing Point	0 °C [32 °F]

# Compatibility

Chemical—Ferric chloride reacts strongly with metals.

# **Storage**

Store between 16 and 27 °C [60 and 80 °F] in dry area. Store in plastic container. Do NOT store in metal containers.



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## Health, Safety, and Environmental Awareness

Please see the 415 Safety Data Sheet (SDS) for greater details on transportation, storage, handling and other security guidelines.

Environmental Impact:

This product meets the European Directive 2011/65/EU Annex II (ROHS); recasting 2002/95/EC.

*Health and Safety:* The solution causes serious eye damage and skin irritation. May be corrosive to metals. Wear eye protection/face protection/gloves. Avoid release to the environment.

#### HMIS® RATING

HEALTH:	*	2
FLAMMABILITY:		O
PHYSICAL HAZARD:		1
PERSONAL PROTECTION:		

NFPA® 704 CODES



Approximate HMIS and NFPA Risk Ratings Legend:

0 (Low or none); 1 (Slight); 2 (Moderate); 3 (Serious); 4 (Severe)

## **Application Instructions**

Follow the procedure below for best results. If further directions for etching or making a printed circuit board (PCB), consult the photofabrication process guide available free from your dealer.

- 1. Fully immerse copper board in solution.
- 2. Agitate until etching action is complete.

To speed up etching

• Warm the ferric chloride solution between 35 to 55 °C [95 to 131 °F].

**ATTENTION!** Do NOT heat ferric chloride solution above 55 °C [131 °F].

**NOTE:** Dilution is not recommended.



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# **Packaging and Supporting Products**

Cat. No.	Packaging	Net Volume		Net Weight		Packaging Weight	
415-500ML	Bottle	475 mL	1 pt	665 g	23.4 oz	7.5 kg <sup>a)</sup>	16.5 lb <sup>a)</sup>
415-1L	Bottle	945 mL	1.99 pt	1.32 kg	2.91 lb	9 kg <sup>b)</sup>	19.8 lb <sup>b)</sup>
415-4L	Bottle	4 L	1.06 gal	5.58 kg	12.3 lb	6.12 kg	13.4 lb
415-20L	Bottle	20 L	5.3 gal	27.9 kg	61.6 lb	28.3 kg	62.3 lb
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#### Related Products and Etching Kits

Economy Etching Kit: Cat. No. 416-ES
Photofabrication Kit: Cat. No. 416-K
Professional Etching Kit: Cat. No. 416-E

#### **Technical Support**

Contact us regarding any questions, improvement suggestions, or problems with this product. Application notes, instructions, and FAQs are located at <a href="https://www.mgchemicals.com">www.mgchemicals.com</a>.

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