



Standard Specification for Reclaimed Methylene Chloride^{1,2}

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1. Scope

1.1 This specification covers the grade of methylene chloride typically needed in various industries for noncritical applications, such as in paint stripping formulations. It may be used as a reference document by purchasers or by persons establishing in-house methylene chloride recovery programs.

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 ASTM Standards:

- D 2108 Test Method for Color of Halogenated Organic Solvents and Their Admixtures (Platinum-Cobalt Scale)³
- D 2109 Test Methods for Nonvolatile Matter in Halogenated Organic Solvents and Their Admixtures³
- D 2111 Test Methods for Specific Gravity of Halogenated Organic Solvents and Their Admixtures³
- D 2988 Test Method for Water-Soluble Halide Ion in Halogenated Organic Solvents and Their Admixtures³
- D 2989 Test Method for Acidity-Alkalinity of Halogenated Organic Solvents and Their Admixtures³
- D 3401 Test Methods for Water in Halogenated Organic Solvents and Their Admixtures³
- D 3447 Test Method for Purity of Trichlorotrifluoroethane³
- D 3741 Test Method for Appearance of Admixtures Con-

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² Methylene chloride: CAS #75-09-02.

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TABLE 1 Physical Properties

Property	Specification	Test Method
Specific gravity, 25/25	1.318 to 1.323	D 2111
Acidity, as HCl, ppm, max	1.0	D 2989
Water, ppm, max	500	D 3401 or E1064
Appearance	Clear and free from suspended matter	D 3741
Color, Pt-Co, max	50	D 2108
Nonvolatile residue, ppm, max	50	D 2109
Chloride, ppm, max	1.0	D 2988
Assay, weight %	95.0	D 3447
1,1,1-Trichloroethane content, weight %, max	0.5	D 3447

taining Halogenated Organic Solvents³
E 1064 Test Method for Water in Organic Liquids by Coulometric Karl Fischer Titration³

3. Properties

3.1 Reclaimed methylene chloride shall meet the requirements of Table 1.

4. Packaging and Package Marking

4.1 Industrial or commercial quantities shall be packaged and labeled in accordance with DOT regulations as found in 49 CFR 100 to 199 and state and local regulations with above usage in mind.

4.2 Department of Defense procurements shall be packaged and labeled in accordance with the applicable paragraphs of Federal Specification PPP-C-2020.

5. Keywords

5.1 dichloromethane; halogenated solvent; MCI; MCH; MeCl; methylene chloride; reclaimed