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— removal of the analytical methods from this standard and addition of reference to EN 17215 as analytical method standard;

— update of the information of risk and safety labelling of the product to comply with the new regulations (see 7.2 and [2]);

— update of the information related to Drinking Water Directive.

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Introduction

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1 Scope

This document is applicable to iron (III) chloride solution a) and iron (III) chloride hexahydrate b) used for treatment of water intended for human consumption. It describes the characteristics and specifies the requirements and the corresponding analytical methods for iron (III) chlorides a) and b) and gives information for their use in water treatment. It also determines the rules relating to safe handling and use of iron (III) chloride.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

EN 17215, *Chemicals used for treatment of water intended for human consumption — Iron-based coagulants — Analytical methods*

3 Terms and definitions

No terms and definitions are listed in this document.

ISO and IEC maintain terminology databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- ISO Online browsing platform: available at https://www.iso.org/obp
- IEC Electropedia: available at https://www.electropedia.org/

4 Description

4.1 Identification

4.1.1 Chemical names

a) Iron (III) chloride solution.

b) Iron (III) chloride hexahydrate ($FeCl_3 \cdot 6\ H_2O$).

4.1.2 Synonym or common names

a) Ferric chloride, solution.

b) Ferric chloride, hexahydrate.

4.1.3 Relative molecular mass

a) 162,21 g/mol for $FeCl_3$.

b) 270,31 g/mol for $FeCl_3 \cdot 6\ H_2O$.