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Standard Specification for Technical Grade Methylene Chloride¹

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1. Scope

- 1.1 This specification covers technical grade methylene chloride.
- 1.2 The values stated in SI units are to be regarded as standard. No other units of measurement are included in this standard.
- 1.3 This standard does not purport to address all of the safety concerns, if any, associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this standard to establish appropriate safety, health, and environmental practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.

Note 1—See Guide D3844, Practice D4276, and STP 403A² for additional important information on solvent handling and solvent properties.

1.4 This international standard was developed in accordance with internationally recognized principles on standardization established in the Decision on Principles for the Development of International Standards, Guides and Recommendations issued by the World Trade Organization Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT) Committee.

2. Referenced Documents

- 2.1 ASTM Standards:³
- D2108 Test Method for Color of Halogenated Organic Solvents and Their Admixtures (Platinum-Cobalt Scale)
- D2109 Test Methods for Nonvolatile Matter in Halogenated Organic Solvents and Their Admixtures
- D2111 Test Methods for Specific Gravity and Density of Halogenated Organic Solvents and Their Admixtures

- D2989 Test Method for Acidity-Alkalinity of Halogenated Organic Solvents and Their Admixtures
- D3401 Test Methods for Water in Halogenated Organic Solvents and Their Admixtures
- D3741 Test Methods for Appearance of Admixtures Containing Halogenated Organic Solvents
- D3844 Guide for Labeling Chlorinated Hydrocarbon Solvent Containers (Withdrawn 2013)⁴
- D4276 Practice for Confined Area Entry
- D4755 Test Method for Free Halogens in Halogenated Organic Solvents and Their Admixtures
- E300 Practice for Sampling Industrial Chemicals
- 2.2 Code of Federal Regulations:⁵
- 29 CFR, Section 1910.1200 Department of Labor, OSHA Regulations on Hazard Communication
- 49 CFR, Sections 100 to 199 Department of Transportation Hazardous Materials Regulations

3. Chemical Properties

3.1 Technical grade methylene chloride shall conform to the requirements prescribed in Table 1.

4. Sampling

4.1 Conduct sampling by any of the appropriate procedures for simple liquids as specified in Practice E300.

5. Packaging and Package Marking

5.1 Package and label industrial or commercial quantities in accordance with DOT regulations in 49 CFR 100 to 199, in accordance with state and local regulations, and with OSHA regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.1200.

6. Keywords

6.1 dichloromethane; methylene chloride

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² Cold Cleaning with Halogenated Solvents, ASTM STP 403 A, ASTM, 1981.

³ For referenced ASTM standards, visit the ASTM website, www.astm.org, or contact ASTM Customer Service at service@astm.org. For *Annual Book of ASTM Standards* volume information, refer to the standard's Document Summary page on the ASTM website.

 $^{^{4}\,\}mathrm{The}$ last approved version of this historical standard is referenced on www.astm.org.

⁵ Available from U.S. Government Publishing Office, 732 N. Capitol St., NW, Washington, DC 20401, http://www.gpo.gov.