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## Foreword

This document (EN 1421:2012) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 164 “Water supply”, the secretariat of which is held by AFNOR.

This European Standard shall be given the status of a national standard, either by publication of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by May 2013, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by May 2013.

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The significant technical differences between this edition and EN 1421:2005 are as follows:

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## Introduction

In respect of potential adverse effects on the quality of water intended for human consumption caused by the product covered by this European Standard:

- a) this European Standard provides no information as to whether the product may be used without restriction in any of the Member States of the EU or EFTA;
- b) it should be noted that, while awaiting the adoption of verifiable European criteria, existing national regulations concerning the use and/or the characteristics of this product remain in force.

NOTE Conformity with this European Standard does not confer or imply acceptance or approval of the product in any of the Member States of the EU or EFTA. The use of the product covered by this European Standard is subject to regulation or control by National Authorities.

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## 1 Scope

This European Standard is applicable to ammonium chloride used for treatment of water intended for human consumption. It describes the characteristics and specifies the requirements of ammonium chloride and refers to the corresponding analytical methods. It gives information for its use in water treatment. It also determines the rules relating to safe handling and use of ammonium chloride (see Annex B).

## 2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

EN 1233, *Water quality — Determination of chromium — Atomic absorption spectrometric methods*

EN ISO 3696, *Water for analytical laboratory use — Specification and test methods* (ISO 3696)

EN ISO 11885, *Water quality — Determination of selected elements by inductively coupled plasma optical emission spectrometry (ICP-OES)* (ISO 11885)

EN ISO 11969, *Water quality — Determination of arsenic — Atomic absorption spectrometric method (hydride technique)* (ISO 11969)

EN ISO 12846, *Water quality — Determination of mercury — Method using atomic absorption spectrometry (AAS) with and without enrichment* (ISO 12846)

ISO 2762, *Hydrochloric acid for industrial use — Determination of soluble sulfates — Turbidimetric method*

ISO 3165, *Sampling of chemical products for industrial use — Safety in sampling*

ISO 3332, *Ammonium sulphate for industrial use — Determination of ammoniacal nitrogen content — Titrimetric method after distillation*

ISO 6206, *Chemical products for industrial use — Sampling — Vocabulary*

ISO 6332, *Water quality — Determination of iron — Spectrometric method using 1,10-phenanthroline*

ISO 8213, *Chemical products for industrial use — Sampling techniques — Solid chemical products in the form of particles varying from powders to coarse lumps*

ISO 8288:1986, *Water quality — Determination of cobalt, nickel, copper, zinc, cadmium and lead — Flame atomic absorption spectrometric methods*

ISO 9965, *Water quality — Determination of selenium — Atomic absorption spectrometric method (hydride technique)*

## 3 Description

### 3.1 Identification

#### 3.1.1 Chemical name

Ammonium chloride.

**EN 1421:2012 (E)****3.1.2 Synonym or common name**

Sal-ammoniac.

**3.1.3 Relative molecular mass**

53,5.

**3.1.4 Empirical formula**

NH<sub>4</sub>Cl.

**3.1.5 Chemical formula**

NH<sub>4</sub>Cl.

**3.1.6 CAS Registry Number <sup>1)</sup>**

12125-02-9.

**3.1.7 EINECS reference <sup>2)</sup>**

235-186-4.

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**3.2 Commercial form**

Ammonium chloride is available as a powder.

**3.3 Physical properties**

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**3.3.1 Appearance and odour**

The product is a white powder or white crystals, without any odour.

**3.3.2 Density**

The density of the product is 1,53 g/cm<sup>3</sup> at 20 °C.

The bulk density is 0,6 g/cm<sup>3</sup> to 1 g/cm<sup>3</sup> depending on particle size.

**3.3.3 Solubility in water**

The solubility of the product in water at 20 °C is 374 g/l.

The solubility of the product in water at 50 °C is 504 g/l.

NOTE Dissolution of NH<sub>4</sub>Cl in water is a strongly endothermic reaction and the resulting decrease in temperature can lead to crystallisation.

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1) Chemical Abstracts Service Registry Number.

2) European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances.



**3.3.4 Vapour pressure**

100 Pa at 160 °C.

**3.3.5 Boiling point at 100 kPa <sup>3)</sup>**

Not applicable.

**3.3.6 Melting point**

Sublimation at 338 °C.

**3.3.7 Specific heat**

Not known.

**3.3.8 Viscosity**

Not applicable.

**3.3.9 Critical temperature**

Not applicable.

**3.3.10 Critical pressure**

Not applicable.

**3.3.11 Physical hardness**

Not applicable.

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**3.4 Chemical properties**

The pH value of an aqueous solution of mass fraction of 5 % is 4 to 6.

Ammonium chloride attacks metals, e.g. iron, copper, nickel, zinc.

Reaction with strong acids can generate hydrochloric acid gas; reaction with strong alkalis can generate ammonia gas.

**4 Purity criteria****4.1 General**

This European Standard specifies the minimum purity requirements for ammonium chloride used for the treatment of water intended for human consumption. Limits are given for impurities commonly present in the product. Depending on the raw material and the manufacturing process other impurities may be present and, if so, this shall be notified to the user and when necessary, to relevant authorities.

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3) 100 kPa = 1 bar.