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SECTION 1: Identification

1.1. Product Identifier

Trade Name or Designation Gold Chloride Trihydrate, ACS Reagent Grade

Product Number RDCG0500

Other Identifying Product Numbers RDCG0500-1C2

1.2. Recommended Use and Restrictions on Use

General Laboratory Reagent

1.3. Details of the Supplier of the Safety Data Sheet

Company Ricca Chemical Company

Address 412 West Fork Drive

Arlington, TX 76012 USA

Telephone 888-467-4222

1.4. Emergency Telephone Number (24 hours)

CHEMTREC (USA) 800-424-9300

CHEMTREC (International) 1+ 703-527-3887

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SECTION 2: Hazard(s) Identification

2.1. Classification of the Substance or Mixture

Hazard Class	Category	Hazard Statements	Precautionary Statements
Skin Corrosion / Irritation	Category 1B	H314	P260,P264,P280,P301+P330+P331, P303+P361+P353,P363,P304+P340, P310,P321,P305+P351+P338,P405, P501
Skin Sensitization	Category 1	H317	P261,P272,P280,P302+P352, P333+P313,P321,P362+P364,P501

2.2. GHS Label Elements

Pictograms:



Signal Word: **Danger**

Hazard Statements:

NOTE: Hazard statements may be combined on labels to improve clarity and readability.

Hazard Number	Hazard Statement
H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage
H317	May cause an allergic skin reaction

Precautionary Statements:

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Prevention

Precautionary Number	Precautionary Statement
P260	Do not breathe dust.
P264	Wash hands, arms, and face thoroughly after handling.
P272	Contaminated work clothing must not be allowed out of the workplace.
P280	Wear protective gloves and eye protection.

Response

Precautionary Number	Precautionary Statement
P301+P330+P331	IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.
P303+P361+P353	IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water or shower.
P304+P340	IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.
P305+P351+P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
P310	Immediately call a poison center or doctor.
P333+P313	If skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice or attention.
P362+P364	Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.

Storage

Precautionary Number	Precautionary Statement
P405	Store locked up.

Disposal

Precautionary Number	Precautionary Statement
P501	Dispose of contents/container to suitable waste stream in accordance with local, state, federal, and international regulations.

2.3. Hazards not Otherwise Classified

No other hazards identified.

2.4. Ingredients of Unknown Acute Toxicity

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SECTION 3: Composition / Information on Ingredients

3.1. Components of Substance

Chemical Name (IUPAC)	Common Name and Synonyms	CAS Number	Weight%
tetrachloroauric(III) acid trihydrate	Gold Chloride Trihydrate; Gold(III) chloride trihydrate; Chloroauric acid trihydrat	16961-25-4	100.00

SECTION 4: First-Aid Measures

4.1. Description of Necessary Measures

Eye Contact: IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. May cause irritation, redness, pain, tearing and burns. Symptoms may include corneal ulceration and possible damage to vision.

Ingestion: IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting. Do not induce vomiting. Give large quantity of water. Call a physician immediately.

Inhalation: IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.

Skin Contact: IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water or shower. May cause serious damage to the skin. Effects may include redness, pain, skin burns.

4.2. Most Important Symptoms and Effects, Acute and Delayed

May cause an allergic skin reaction CORROSIVE. Causes burns to areas of contact. Wash areas of contact with water. Call a physician if irritation develops. Harmful if swallowed or inhaled. EYE CONTACT: May cause irritation, redness, pain, tearing and burns. Symptoms may include corneal ulceration and possible damage to vision. SKIN CONTACT: May cause serious damage to the skin. Effects may include redness, pain, skin burns.

4.3. Immediate Medical Attention or Special Treatment Needed

Immediately call a poison center or doctor. Irrigate immediately with large quantity of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention immediately. Remove to fresh air. Give artificial respiration if necessary. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Flush with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Call a physician if irritation develops. Do not induce vomiting. Give large quantity of water. Call a physician immediately.

SECTION 5: Fire-Fighting Measures

5.1. Extinguishing Media

Use any means suitable for extinguishing surrounding fire.

5.2. Specific Hazards Arising from the Substance or Mixture in a Fire

Not considered to be a fire or explosion hazard. May react with metals to release flammable Hydrogen gas.

5.3. Special Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters

Use protective clothing and breathing equipment appropriate for the surrounding fire.

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SECTION 6: Accidental Release Measures

6.1. Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment and Emergency Procedures

Wear protective gloves and eye protection.

6.2. Cleanup and Containment Methods and Materials

Pick up in a manner that does not generate dust. Powder may be moistened with water to aid in the clean-up.

SECTION 7: Handling and Storage

7.1. Precautions for Safe Handling and Storage Conditions

Store locked up. As with all chemicals, wash hands thoroughly after handling. Avoid contact with eyes and skin. Protect from physical damage. Keep in tightly closed, light-resistant containers in a cool, dry area. Hygroscopic.

SECTION 8: Exposure Controls / Personal Protection

8.1. Exposure Limits

U.S. OSHA - Permissible Exposure Limits (PEL) - Time Weighted Averages (TWA)

No limits found.

U.S. OSHA - Permissible Exposure Limits (PEL) - Ceiling Limits

No limits found.

U.S. OSHA - Permissible Exposure Limits (PEL) - Short Term Exposure Limits (STEL)

No limits found.

U.S. OSHA - Specifically Regulated Chemicals

No limits found.

ACGIH - Threshold Limit Values - Ceilings (TLV-C)

No limits found.

ACGIH - Threshold Limit Values - Short Term Exposure Limits (TLV-STEL)

No limits found.

ACGIH - Threshold Limit Values - Time Weighted Averages (TLV-TWA)

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8.2. Engineering Controls

No specific controls are needed. Normal room ventilation is adequate.

8.3. Individual Protective Measures and Personal Protective Equipment

Respiratory Protection: A system of local or general exhaust is recommended. If necessary, wear a dust mask respirator to minimize exposure to dust particles.

Skin Protection: Chemical resistant gloves.

Eye Protection: Safety glasses or goggles.

SECTION 9: Physical and Chemical Properties

9.1. Basic Physical and Chemical Properties

Physical State: solid

Color: Yellow to reddish-yellow

Odor: Data not available.

Odor Threshold: Data not available.

Melting/Freezing Point: Data not available.

Boiling Point/Range: Data not available.

Flammability: Data not available.

Flammability/Explosive Limits: Data not available.

Flash Point: Data not available.

Auto-Ignition Temperature: Data not available.

Decomposition Temperature: Data not available.

pH: acidic

Kinematic Viscosity: Data not available.

Solubility: Data not available.

Vapor Pressure: Data not available.

Evaporation Rate: Data not available.

Relative Density: 3.9

Relative Vapor Density: Data not available.

Particle Characteristics: Data not available.

Partition Coefficient n-octanol/water, log Data not available.

SECTION 10: Stability and Reactivity

10.1. Reactivity and Chemical Stability

Stable under normal conditions of use and storage. Material is hygroscopic (absorbs moisture from the air).

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10.2. Possibility of Hazardous Reactions

Data not available.

10.3. Conditions to Avoid and Incompatible Materials

Most metals, Alkalis, active metals, Cyanides, Sulfides, Sulfites, Metal Oxides, Formaldehyde.

10.4. Hazardous Decomposition Products

Will not occur.

SECTION 11: Toxicological Information

11.1. Information on Toxicological Effects

Acute Toxicity - Oral Exposure:

No information found.

Acute Toxicity - Dermal Exposure:

No information found.

Acute Toxicity - Inhalation Exposure:

No information found.

11.2 Carcinogenicity:

International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC)

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Classification
No data found.		

National Toxicology Program (NTP)

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Classification
No data found.		

U.S. OSHA specifically regulated carcinogens

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Classification
No data found.		

11.3 Additional Toxicology Information:

Causes severe skin burns and eye damage. May cause an allergic skin reaction.

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SECTION 12: Ecological Information

12.1. Ecotoxicity

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Species	Exposure	Toxicity
	No data found.	None	None	

12.2. Persistence and Degradability

Data not available.

12.3. Bioaccumulative Potential

Data not available.

12.4. Mobility in soil

Data not available.

12.5. Other Adverse Ecological Effects

Data not available.

SECTION 13: Disposal Considerations

13.1. Waste Treatment Methods

Data not available.

SECTION 14: Transportation Information

14.1 Transportation by Land - Department of Transportation (DOT, United States of America)

Sizes: 1 g

UN Number: UN1759

Proper Shipping Name: Corrosive solid, n.o.s. (Gold Chloride)

Hazard Class: 8

Packing Group: III

Hazard Label(s):





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14.2 Transportation by Air - International Air Transport Association (IATA)

Sizes: 1 g

UN Number: UN1759

Proper Shipping Name: Corrosive solid, n.o.s. (Gold Chloride)

Hazard Class: 8

Packing Group: III

Hazard Label(s):



14.3 Transportation of Dangerous Goods (TDG, Canada)

Sizes: 1 g

UN Number: UN1759

Proper Shipping Name: CORROSIVE SOLID, N.O.S. (gold chloride)

Hazard Class: 8

Packing Group: III

Hazard Label(s):



SECTION 15: Regulatory Information

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15.01. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Hazards

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Regulatory Information
No data found.		

15.02. Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) 302 Extremely Hazardous Substances

Chemical Name	CAS Number	RQ
No data found.		

15.03. Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) 311/312 Hazardous Chemicals

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Regulatory Information
No data found.		

15.04. Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) 313 Toxics Release Inventory (TRI)

Chemical Name	CAS Number	List
No data found.		

15.05. Massachusetts Right-to-Know Substance List

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Regulatory Information
No data found.		

15.06. Pennsylvania Right-to-Know Hazardous Substances

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Regulatory Information
No data found.		

15.07. New Jersey Worker and Community Right-to-Know Components

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Regulatory Information
No data found.		

15.08. California Proposition 65

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Regulatory Information
No data found.		

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15.09. Canada Domestic Substances List / Non-Domestic Substances List (DSL/NDSL)

Chemical Name	CAS Number	List	Status
Gold Chloride Trihydrate	16961-25-4	DSL	"Present" As Tetrachloroauric acid [16903-35-8]

15.10. United States of America Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) List

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Status
Gold Chloride Trihydrate	16961-25-4	"Present (ACTIVE)" As Aurate(1-), tetrachloro-, hydrogen (1:1), (SP-4-1)- [16903-35-8]

15.11. European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances (EINECS), European List of Notified Chemical Substances (ELINCS), and No Longer Polymers (NLP)

Chemical Name	CAS Number	List	Number
Gold Chloride Trihydrate	16961-25-4	EINECS	"240-948-4" As Tetrachloroauric acid [16903-35-8]

15.12. China - Inventory of Existing chemical Substances (IECSC)

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Status
Gold Chloride Trihydrate	16961-25-4	Present [32804]

15.13. Korea - Existing Chemicals Inventory (KECI/KECL)

Chemical Name	CAS Number	List	Status
Gold Chloride Trihydrate	16961-25-4	Annex 1	"Present [KE-33284]" As Tetrachloroauric acid [16903-35-8]

15.14. Japan - Existing and New Chemical Substances Inventory (ENCS)

Chemical Name	CAS Number	MITI No.
Gold Chloride Trihydrate	16961-25-4	"(1)-1075" As Tetrachloroauric acid [16903-35-8]

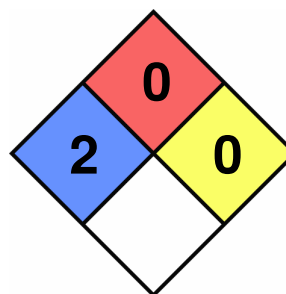
SECTION 16: Other Information

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16.1 National Fire Protection Associate (NFPA) Rating

Health: 2
Flammability: 0
Reactivity 0
Special Hazard:



16.2 Document Revision

Last Revision Date:
2026-06-25

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