

TECHNICAL DATA SHEET

G-CLEAN 247

PASSIVATING AGENT FOR STAINLESS STEELS (CITRIC ACID)

1) PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

G-CLEAN 247 is a very efficient water and citric acid based passivating agent that dissolves free iron ions on all stainless-steel surfaces. This product was developed to meet ASTM A 967 – 05 passivating standards. **G-CLEAN 247** is very efficient at cleaning inorganic contaminants such as free iron ions, rust & oxidation on all metals. It is compatible with almost any surface: metals, plastics, concrete, masonry and glass. **G-CLEAN 247** is normally used pure (no dilution) for the passivation of stainless-steel parts. It can be used diluted for some specific applications.

Typical Applications

Stainless steel passivation Rust cleaning Parts cleaning by soaking

Concentration of G-CLEAN 247 in water

pure pure – 1 :1 1:1 – 1:4

2) ADVANTAGES

Based on an elaborate blend of organic acids, surfactants and corrosion inhibitors, **G-CLEAN 247** has a very low toxicity and advantageously replaces the nitric acid based passivating agents.

Particularities:

- Dissolves the free iron ions
- > Highly effective
- Water & citric acid based
- Biodegradable
- 0% VOC (Volatile Organic Components)
- Efficient on all stainless steel types
- Low toxicity





3) PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance	brown-orange liquid
Odour	
pH (Sol. 1%)	2.0 – 3.0
Rinseability	excellent
Flash point	Not flammable
Specific gravity	1.05 – 1.15
VOC (Volatile Organic Components)	0% (0 g/L)
Biodegradability	good

4) DIRECTIONS FOR USE

Note: For best results, when using G-CLEAN 247 on heavy contamination, follow these instructions:

- o Mechanical agitation with a brush, a rag or other will greatly improve the cleaning efficiency.
- o Use warm or hot water when rinsing or diluting G-CLEAN 247 if applicable.

STAINLESS STEEL PASSIVATING

Note: Depending on stainless steel type, contact time and temperature will vary considerably. Consult your representative for a detailed procedure.

- ➤ Degrease the surface to be passivated with an alkaline cleaner such as G-MAX 328 diluted with water at a ratio of 1:2 to 1:4 (20 to 33%);
- Apply G-CLEAN 247 on the surface to be passivated for 30 to 120 minutes at room temperature (23°C), or according to the recommendations of your representative (the martensitic steels are more sensitive to acid cleaning than the austenitic steels). Make sure that the surface remains sufficiently wet with G-CLEAN 247 during the whole passivation process.
- ➤ Rinse well with water containing less than 200ppm solids NOTE: do not use water with high concentration of iron to avoid contaminating the surface once again;
- ➤ After the passivation with **G-CLEAN 247**, neutralize the surface with an alkaline cleaner such as **G-MAX 328** diluted with water at a ratio of 1:2 to 1:4 (20 to 33%); (let work for a minimum of 10 to 15 minutes) **NOTE:** this step is not required when passivating austenitic stainless steel (ex: 304 & 316)
- Proceed to a passivation test as per ASTM A 967-05 to confirm passivation.

RUST CLEANING

- Apply pure or diluted on the surface to be cleaned (see recommended dilutions)
- ➤ Let work for 10 to 20 minutes.
- > Use mechanical agitation (brush, rag or other) if required.
- > Rinse with water.



5) PERSONAL PROTECTION

When using **G-CLEAN 247**, it is recommended to wear the following safety equipments:

- > Safety glasses or goggles
- Chemical resistant gloves
- > Chemical protecting suit (if used in a shower when passivating big parts)

6) STORAGE

Store **G-CLEAN 247** at a controlled temperature of 0° C to 30° C (50° F to 104° F) in a plastic container. The product could freeze below 0°C (32°F). Store in a closed plastic container when not in use. The shelf life of the product has been determined to be three (3) years.

7) PACKAGING

- Pails (20 Litres/ 5 Gallons)
- Drums (205 Litres / 55 Gallons)

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