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Technical Data

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## CRIMSON Super Clean 34

### GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

Crimson Super Clean 34 is a stabilized hydrogen peroxide solution, which when mixed with sulfuric acid solutions produces an excellent pickling solution for copper and its alloys. The copper surface is rendered clean, bright and oxide free.

The pickling solutions can be employed in spray or immersion equipment, and are non-chelated. The pickling solution life is indefinite, as long as the excess cupric sulfate is removed from the solution by crystallization.

Crimson Super Clean 34 can be used as a stand alone or in conjunction with additional cleaning steps. The solutions have excellent stability and are easy to operate and control. This product is a great replacement for pickling solutions that are based on nitric or chromic acid, and bichromate/sulfuric acid mixtures.

### PRODUCT APPLICATION:

*This product may be employed in the following processes:*

- ◆ Cleaning for final finishing
- ◆ Pickling for annealing or rolling operations
- ◆ Pre-treatment for buffing operations
- ◆ Pre-treatment for electroplating

<u>Operating Parameters</u>	<u>Copper Recovery (Crystallization)</u>	<u>No Copper Recovery (No Crystallization)</u>
Crimson Super Clean 34 Concentration	2-5% by volume	2-5% by volume
Sulfuric Acid Concentration	15-20% by volume	7-10% by volume
Copper Saturation Level @ 120°F	6 oz. copper metal/gal. of solution	8 oz. copper metal/gal. of solution
Temperature	90-120°F	70-120°F
Time	0.5-3 minutes	0.5-3 minutes

### OPERATING BATH MAKE-UP:

1. Fill a clean process tank with water to 50% of its final operating volume.
2. If the process tank or heater is stainless steel, add 2 oz. of cupric sulfate per gallon of operating bath in order to prevent attack of the stainless steel.
3. Slowly and with mixing, add the required amount of sulfuric acid for your application (recovery or not)
4. Allow the bath to cool to less than 120°F.
5. Add the required amount of Crimson Super Clean 34 with mixing to bring to operating concentration.
6. Add water to the process tank to bring the tank to its final operating volume.
7. Turn on the heating mechanism and set to operational temperature.

**Note:** Crimson Super Clean 34 contains hydrogen peroxide and a stabilizer system.

The table below is a general guideline for the amount of copper that can be removed by employing the Crimson Super Clean 34 pickling solution. It is recommended that a copper removal rate test be performed on the exact type of copper or copper alloy that will be pickled in order to determine the optimum operating levels for the required amount of copper removal.

Copper Removal Rate (Microinches/Min)	10	20	30	40	50
Crimson Super Clean 34 Concentration (% by volume)	2	2	3	3-4	4-5
Temperature (°F)	75	100	110	120	120

### **Chemical/Analytical Control**

Crimson Super Clean 34	Add to maintain copper removal rate or add based on results of chemical analysis
Sulfuric Acid	Add to maintain copper removal rate or add based on results of chemical analysis

### **EQUIPMENT CONSIDERATIONS:**

All equipment should be constructed of materials that are compatible with hydrogen peroxide/sulfuric acid solutions.

Tanks can be polyethylene, polypropylene, or stainless steel (300 series). Pumps can be polyethylene, polypropylene, stainless steel (300 series), or PVC.

### **SAFETY:**

Crimson Super Clean 34 contains hydrogen peroxide and should not be allowed to become contaminated with metals or other materials which may cause rapid decomposition. When pumping the hydrogen peroxide solution, always use a clean, dedicated pump and do not allow the etching solution to back siphon into the container.

Crimson Super Clean 34 should be stored in a cool place, preferably not in direct sunlight. It should be stored away from incompatible materials such as reducing agents, etc.

Do not switch the caps (bungs) of the Crimson Super Clean 34 that the container was originally supplied with by substituting another cap. Each container is equipped with a vented cap that has been specifically designed for that container.

Spent Crimson Super Clean 34 baths should not be placed in a container without first lowering the hydrogen peroxide concentration to less than 2% by volume, based on Crimson Super Clean 34 being 34% by volume. Crimson Super Clean 34 baths (fresh baths, operating baths, and spent baths) contain oxidizers and are corrosive in nature. Care should be taken in the proper use of this product. Safety equipment should include, but not be limited to goggles, gloves, and protective clothing when handling this product. Avoid prolonged breathing of the vapors. In event of skin or eye contact, remove contaminated clothing, wash with water and seek medical attention.

\*\*\*[For more detail about product handling & safety info, please refer to the Material Safety Data Sheet](#)\*\*\*