# **CHEMTEQ**

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### 1. Application

The ChemWipe PN: 317 is a colorimetric surface wipe designed to provide real-time indication of the presence of trace amounts of Cobalt II compounds on surfaces. The unique design of the Cobalt ChemWipe provides a uniform color change formation enabling the user to quantify cobalt contamination using the cobalt color comparator (PN: 317-6000).

#### 2. Specifications

### 2.1. Overall Specification

a. Weight: 0.5g (0.02oz)

b. Dimensions: 8.5mm (0.33in), Φ: 32mm (1½" in)

c. Operating temperature: 4°C to 60°C (39°F to 140°F)

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f. Detection range (color comparator): 0.5µg to 200µg

g. Color change: Bright yellow to reddish-brown

h. Color stability: 5 minutes

i. Storage temperature: 4°C to 25°C, (39°F to 77°F)

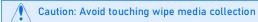
j. Shelf life: 1 year

#### 2.2. Cross interferences and limitations

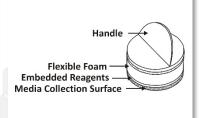
Copper  $(Cu^{2+})$ , iron  $(Fe^{3+})$  and Uranium  $(U^{2+})$  produce similar colors like cobalt. To detect cobalt in the presence of copper or iron use the Cobalt ChemWipe Supplement Reagents part number 317-2000, sold separately. No other interferences are known.

## 3. Operating Instructions

- a. Use gloves and protective glasses when handling cobalt.
- b. Ensure that the packaging pouch is intact.
- c. Open packaging pouch by tearing off the top part from one of the side notches.
- d. Remove wipe from the packaging pouch.



- e. Hold the ChemWipe from the half-moon shaped handle (Figure 1) and swipe the target surface (Figure 2). If you are dealing with rough or irregular surface, wet the bottom surface with 3 to 4 drops of water and swipe the target surface immediately as shown in Figure 2.
- f. Add 3 to 4 drops of developing solution 1
- g. Allow two minutes for color development. The formation of reddish-brown color on the ChemWipe indicates the presence of at least 0.5µg of cobalt.



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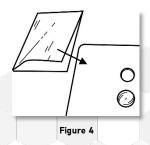


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- h. Use the color comparator (Figure 3) to quantify the mass of cobalt collected on the wipe:
  - Insert the protective sleeve into the top left corner of the color comparator (Figure 4).
  - Place the wipe upside down on the protective sleeve (Figure 5).
  - Turn the bottom color wheel to match colors. The color formed on the wipe is directly proportional to the mass of cobalt collected on the wipe.
  - To compensate for any dark substance or dirt collected with the sample, turn the top gray scale wheel to achieve an exact color match.



Figure 3



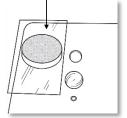


Figure 5

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