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⑤④ **A non-cyanide salt bath and process for carburization of ferrous metals and alloys.**

⑤⑦ A non-cyanide molten salt bath composition for the
carburization of objects made of ferrous metals or alloys at
a temperature in the range of 900–1050 °C comprises:

(a) 85–99% of an alkali metal chloride or a mixture of
alkali metal chlorides;

(b) 0.25–8% of an activator, which is an oxygen contain-
ing compound barium and/or strontium compound and

(c) sufficient amount of finely divided graphite to
provide a continuous cover on the surface of the molten salt
mixture. The ferrous metal or alloy part is immersed in the
molten mixture at a temperature in the range of 900 °C to
1050 °C.



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