

PRODUCT DATA SHEET

Sika® ViscoCrete®-3168

HIGH RANGE WATER REDUCING CONCRETE ADMIXTURE

DESCRIPTION

Sika® ViscoCrete®-3168 is a 3rd generation polymer based high performance superplasticizer for producing soft consistency high grade concrete.

Sika® ViscoCrete®-3168 meets the requirements of ASTM C 494 Type G.

USES

Sika® ViscoCrete®-3168 is mainly suitable for the manufacture of concrete for RMC and precast batching plants.

Sika® ViscoCrete®-3168 excels by its extremely high water reduction capacity, providing good flow ability while retaining optimal cohesion of the mix.

Sika® ViscoCrete®-3168 is used for the following types of concrete:

- High-strength / high performance cast on site concrete
- High early strength for concrete shafts
- Bridges and cantilever
- Slender components with dense reinforcement

CHARACTERISTICS / ADVANTAGES

Sika® ViscoCrete®-3168 combines different modes of actions. By adsorption on the surface of the fines and keeping them apart while the hydration is in progress, Sika® ViscoCrete®-3168 effects the following concrete properties:

- Extremely high water reduction
- Producing very soft consistency and suitable for long distance pumping
- High flowability (considerably reduced placing and compacting work)
- Workability can be maintained up to 120 minutes (still depends on admixture dosage, cement type, temperature)
- Highly improved waterproofness
- Improved creep and shrinkage resistance characteristics

PRODUCT INFORMATION

Chemical base	Modified Polycarboxylate in water
Packaging	200/1000 L
Shelf life	12 months if stored properly in original unopened packaging.
Storage conditions	Stored in dry conditions, protected from direct sunlight and at temperatures between +5 °C and +30 °C.
Appearance / Colour	Liquid / brownish
Density	1.065 – 1.085 kg/l (At 20°C)

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Concreting Guidance

Concrete placing: With the use of Sika® ViscoCrete®-3168, concrete of highest quality is being produced, however state of the art concrete technology, such as mixing, placing, vibrating and curing must be respected and applied.

Curing: Effective measures for concrete curing must be followed.

Specific Advice

Sika® ViscoCrete®-3168 is added to the gauging water prior to its addition to the dry mix or added separately to the wetted concrete mix. For optimum utilization of the high range water reducer we recommend a minimum wet mixing time of 60 seconds. When adding the balance of the batching water to adjust concrete consistency this should be done after a minimum of 2/3 of the wet mixing time to avoid surplus water in the concrete.

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Recommended Dosage

0.7 – 2.5 L per 100 kg of cement/binder
Typical 1.1 to 1.6 L per 100kg of cement/binder

Compatibility

Sika® ViscoCrete®-3168 may be combined with all Sikament, Sika® Aer, Sika®Pump, Sikacrete® PP-1 products, but must be added separately to the mix and not pre-mixed prior its addition. Sika® ViscoCrete®-3168 is compatible with all Portland Cement types.

BASIS OF PRODUCT DATA

All technical data stated in this Product Data Sheet are based on laboratory tests. Actual measured data may vary due to circumstances beyond our control.

ECOLOGY, HEALTH AND SAFETY

Protective Measures: Avoid prolonged contact with skin. Wash off thoroughly with soap water.

In case of contact with eyes or mouth, rinse immediately with clean warm water and seek medical attention without delay.

Avoid contact with food stuff and utensils.

Ecology/ Waste disposal: Do not dispose of into water or soil, but according to local regulations.

Transportation class: Non-hazardous

Toxicity: Non-toxic

LOCAL RESTRICTIONS

Please note that as a result of specific local regulations the declared data for this product may vary from country to country. Please consult the local Product Data Sheet for the exact product data.

LEGAL NOTES

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