

# PRODUCT DATA SHEET

# Sika® ViscoCrete®-5218 NS

## HIGH RANGE WATER REDUCER/SUPERPLASTICIZER

#### **DESCRIPTION**

Sika® ViscoCrete®-5218 NS is a third generation High Range Water Reducing/SuperPlasticizing admixture for concrete and mortar.

#### **USES**

Sika® ViscoCrete®-5218 NS is specially suitable for the production of concrete mixes which require high strength development, powerful water reduction and excellent flowability

Sika® ViscoCrete®-5218 NS is mainly used for the following applications:

- Ready mixed concrete
- Precast concrete
- Fast track concrete
- In situ concrete requiring fast stripping time
- Self Compacting Concrete (SCC)

## **CHARACTERISTICS / ADVANTAGES**

Sika® ViscoCrete®-5218 NS as a powerful water reducer acts by through surface adsorption and sterical effects separating the binder particles the following properties are achieved:

- Pronounced increased in the early strength development, resulting in very economic stripping times for precast and in situ concrete
- Extremely powerful water reduction, resulting in high density, high strength and reduced permeability for water etc.
- Excellent plasticizing effect resulting in improved flowability, placing and compacting behaviour
- Reduced energy cost for steam cured precast elements
- Especially suitable for the production of Self Compacting Concrete (SCC)
- Improved shrinkage and creep behavior
- Reduced closer times for repair of roads and runways

## **APPROVALS / STANDARDS**

IS 9103, ASTM C494, EN 934-2 and SIA 262 (2003)

#### PRODUCT INFORMATION

<b>Chemical Base</b>	Aqueous solution of modified poly carboxylate
Packaging	230 Kg HDPE Drum/ Bulk supply
Appearance / Colour	Light brown liquid
Shelf Life	12 months from date of production if stored properly in undamaged unopened, original sealed packaging.
Storage Conditions	Store in dry conditions at temperatures between +10°C and +40°C. Protect from direct sunlight and frost.
Density	~1.05 kg/l at 25°C
pH-Value	≥ 6

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#### **APPLICATION INFORMATION**

Recommended Dosage	Optimum dosage of Sika® ViscoCrete®-5218 NS should be determined by site trials.  Recommended dosage: 0.2 – 2.0% by weight of cementitious.  A higher dosage might be used if agreed by client or consultant.Stir well before use.
Compatibility	Sika® ViscoCrete®-5218 NS may be combined with many other Sika® Products. Compatible with all types of cements and cementitious materials. Important: Always conduct trials before combining products in specific mixes and contact our Technical Service Department for information about specific combinations.

#### **APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS**

#### **DISPENSING**

Sika® ViscoCrete®-5218 NS can be added into the mixing water or directly into the concrete mixer after 50 – 70% of the mixing water has been added. The addition of Sika® ViscoCrete®-5218 NS to dry aggregate or cement is not recommended. To achieve optimum performance a minimum wet mixing time, which is depending on the mixing conditions and the mixer performance, of 60 seconds is recommended.

#### **LIMITATIONS**

Excessive water addition or overdosing may cause bleeding or segregation.

If frozen and / or if precipitation has occurred, Sika® ViscoCrete®-5218 NS may be used after thawing slowly at room temperature and after intensive mixing.

#### **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.

# LOCAL RESTRICTIONS

# **ECOLOGY, HEALTH AND SAFETY**

#### **LEGAL NOTES**

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