

PRODUCT DATA SHEET

SikaPlast®-388 PR

High efficient superplasticizer

DESCRIPTION

SikaPlast®-388 PR is the latest development of superplasticizer for concrete. It meets the requirements for high range water reducing superplasticizers.

USES

SikaPlast®-388 PR is a unique multipurpose superplasticiser that is particularly suitable for the production of ready mixed concrete. Additionally it provides high water reduction and improved fresh concrete characteristics.

With its outstanding cost / performance SikaPlast®-388 PR is used for the following:

- A wide range of applications where excellent workability is requested
- Concrete with high water reduction
- High efficient concrete applications
- Variable use in different concrete systems with different raw materials

PRODUCT INFORMATION

Chemical base	Modified Polycarboxylate
Packaging	255 kg HDPE carboy or Tanker 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	~1.14 kg/l at 25°C
pH-Value	≥ 6

CHARACTERISTICS / ADVANTAGES

SikaPlast®-388 PR is a powerful superplasticiser based on advanced technology which gives the following advantages:

- Strong water reduction, resulting in high density, high strength and reduced permeability
- Less sensitive against variations in aggregates and / or different cement types
- High efficiency even at low dosage rates
- Extended workability in conjunction with subsequent strength development
- Superior plasticising effect, resulting in improved flow, placing and compaction characteristics

APPROVALS / STANDARDS

IS 9103, ASTM C494

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Recommended Dosage	Optimum dosage of SikaPlast®-388 PR 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	SikaPlast®-388 PR 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
Dispensing	SikaPlast®-388 PR is added to the gauging water or added with it into the concrete mixer. To take advantage of the high water reduction, a wet mixing time, which is depending on the mixing conditions and mixer performance, of at least 60 seconds is recommended. To avoid excess water in the concrete, the final dosage must begin only after 2/3 of the wet mixing time.

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.

IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS

Excessive water addition or overdosing may cause bleeding or segregation. If frozen and / or if precipitation has occurred, SikaPlast®-388 PR may be used after thawing slowly at room temperature and after intensive mixing.

ECOLOGY, HEALTH AND SAFETY

For information and advice on the safe handling, storage and disposal of chemical products, users shall refer to the most recent Material Safety Data Sheet containing physical, ecological, toxicological and other safety-related data.

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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