

PRODUCT DATA SHEET

Sika® Plastiment® VZ

WATER REDUCING AND SET RETARDING

DESCRIPTION

A liquid concrete plasticizer and water reducing agent with set retarding effect.

USES

Sika® Plastiment® VZ is used as a general purpose admixture where the placing conditions for high quality concrete are more demanding such as :

- Elevated temperatures.
- Fair faced concrete.
- Pumped concrete.
- Ready mix concrete.
- Areas where large volumes must be placed at one time.
- High mechanical strengths are required.

CHARACTERISTICS / ADVANTAGES

Sika® Plastiment® VZ provides the following properties:

- Increased setting time in hot weather. Accelerated hardening after setting.
- Improved workability without increase water content.
- Reduced water without loss of workability.
- Increased strengths.
- Reduced shrinkage and creep.
- Long lasting control of slump loss.
- Better surface finish.
- Chloride free does not attack reinforcement.

PRODUCT INFORMATION

Chemical Base	Polyhydroxy Carbon Salts
Packaging	240 kg drum Bulk delivery
Appearance / Colour	Liquid / Yellowish Transparent
Shelf Life	Minimum 1 year if stored in original unopened container
Storage Conditions	Store in dry, cool, shaded place
Density	1.18 ± 0.01 kg/ L
Total Chloride Ion Content	< 0.1 % w/w

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APPLICATION INFORMATION

Recommended Dosage	0.15 % - 0.40 % by weight of cement The effective dosage of Sika® Plastiment® VZ depends on the type of cement and fine aggregate, in general dosage of Sika® Plastiment® VZ is in the range of 0.15 % - 0.25 % for concrete having low absorption fine aggregate. The dosage rate can be increased to 0.60 % to overcome difficulties in quality of cement and aggregates, high temperature and difficult placing conditions. Concrete trial mix shall be carried out to confirm the effective dosage and its effect to concrete properties
Compatibility	Sika® Plastiment® VZ is compatible with all types of Portland cement including S.R.C.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

DISPENSING

Sika® Plastiment® VZ should be dispensed directly into the mixing water prior to its addition to the aggregates.

When accidental overdosing occurs, Sika® Plastiment® VZ does not entrain excessive amounts of air, however the set retarding effect increases. During this period the concrete must be kept moist in order to prevent premature drying out.

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

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

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 Safety Data Sheet (SDS) containing physical, ecological, toxicological and other safety-related data.

LEGAL NOTES

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