

PRODUCT DATA SHEET

SikaTard®-901 F

RETARDER FOR CEMENTITIOUS AND GYPSUM BINDER SYSTEMS

DESCRIPTION

SikaTard®-901 F is a high-performance set retarder in powder form for cement, cement-gypsum based and ternary binder systems.

USES

SikaTard®-901 F provides excellent performance in the adjustment of setting time and workability of cement-gypsum based dry mortars.

The product is especially suitable for the following applications:

- In with cement stimulated anhydrite flow screeds
- In ternary, OPC-rich self-levelling underlayments
- In cementitious self-levelling screeds
- As co-retarder component in combination with fruit acid

FEATURES

SikaTard®-901 F offers the following advantages:

- Very efficient retardation at low dosage
- Rapid effect even with short mixing times
- Very effective on CEM I-cements with high sulphate resistance (HS)
- Very effective on slag cements (CEM III)
- Additional consistency in some systems
- Influence on the formation of ettringite in fresh mortar
- High robustness in a wide dosage range
- Compatible with other additives, such as Sika® ViscoCrete® superplasticizers
- Same or higher final strength (unlike with several fruit acid based retarders)

PRODUCT INFORMATION

Composition	Phosphonate mix
Packaging	25 kg bag / 1000 kg per pallet
Appearance and colour	Fine white powder
Shelf life	36 months shelf life from date of production if stored properly in undamaged, unopened, original sealed packaging.
Storage conditions	Dry storage and protected from direct sunlight.
Bulk density	Approx. 0.81 g/cm ³
pH-Value	Approx. 11 (50% solution)
Total chloride ion content	≤ 22 %

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Recommended dosage	Typical dosage range: 0.05 - 0.5 % of binder weight. Differences in binder type, age and storage conditions of the binder and other conditions and factors at the plant and/or on-site can also influence the setting time and therefore the dosage requirements. Note: Preliminary testing is required to determine the exact dosage for specific applications and conditions. Please contact our Technical Services Department for any additional information and assistance.
Compatibility	SikaTard®-901 F may be combined with many other Sika products and most usual additives including superplasticizers, foaming agents / defoamers and stabilizers. In these combinations i.e. with Sika® ViscoCrete® superplasticizers, additional improvements in flow and setting-time adjustment can also be achieved. Note: Always conduct trials before combining products in specific mixes.
Dispensing	The product is added to the dry-mix. Avoid open storage because of very strong hygroscopicity.

BASIS OF PRODUCT DATA

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

FURTHER DOCUMENTATION

SikaTard®-901 F is very hygroscopic due to the fineness and the associated surface. Do not store in open containers.

ECOLOGY, HEALTH AND SAFETY

User must read the most recent corresponding Safety Data Sheets (SDS) before using any products. The SDS provides information and advice on the safe handling, storage and disposal of chemical products and contains physical, ecological, toxicological and other safety-related data.

LOCAL RESTRICTIONS

Note that as a result of specific local regulations the declared data and recommended uses for this product may vary from country to country. Consult the local Product Data Sheet for the exact product data and uses.

LEGAL NOTES

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