

PRODUCT DATA SHEET

Sika® ViscoCrete®-520 P

High-performance superplasticizer



DESCRIPTION

Sika® ViscoCrete®-520 P is a high-performance superplasticizer and water reducer in powder form based on Sika® ViscoCrete® polycarboxylate (PCE) polymer technology.

USES

Sika® ViscoCrete®-520 P is especially formulated for use in ternary binder systems but it can also be used in calcium sulphate (gypsum) based binders e.g. al-phahemihydrate and andydrate. The product is particularly suitable for the production of:

- Self-levelling underlayments, levelling compounds and fillers
- Calcium sulphate self-levelling screeds
- Non-shrink grouts, anchor grouts, tile adhesives, injection and repair mortars

CHARACTERISTICS / ADVANTAGES

Sika® ViscoCrete®-520 P is adsorbed onto the surface of the binder particles and due to repulsive forces from the effect known as steric hindrance, the solid binder particles are very effectively dispersed in the mix.

The benefits of Sika® ViscoCrete®-520 P include, but are not limited to the following:

- High water reduction at low dosage, resulting in shorter drying times, higher densities and strengths
- Greatly reduced processing and compaction efforts due to very good flow and self-levelling behaviour
- Particularly high performance in systems with pH-value < 11.5
- Reduced mixing times due to fast adsorption
- High initial flow, long slump life and processing time
- Improved shrinkage and creep behaviour
- Low influence on hydration, resulting in low activator/accelerator consumption
- Compatible with other additives (e.g. fruit acids, such as citric acid)
- Free of formaldehyde and ammonia

APPROVALS / CERTIFICATES

Confirms to EN 934–2, Table 3.1/3.2

PRODUCT INFORMATION

Composition	Modified polycarboxylate
Packaging	20 kg bag, 800 kg per pallet; 500 kg bigbag
Appearance / Colour	White powder
Shelf life	24 months shelf life from date of production if stored properly in undamaged, unopened, original sealed packaging.
Storage conditions	Dry storage at temperatures up to 40 °C. Protect from direct sunlight.
Bulk Density	0.6 ± 0.1 g/cm ³

pH-Value 4.0 ± 0.5 at +23 °C (40 % solution)

Total Chloride Ion Content ≤ 0.1 %

Equivalent Sodium Oxide ≤ 2.0 % (Na₂O-equiv.)

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Recommended Dosage Depending on the application the dosage rate of Sika® ViscoCrete®-520 P varies from 0.05 - 0.5 % of the binder weight. At high dosage and/or at low temperatures Sika® ViscoCrete®-520 P can also cause retardation. At too high dosage, the mixture may also tend to repel water or to separate. Note: Preliminary testing is required to determine the exact dosage for specific conditions. Please contact our Technical Service Department for more information and advice.

Compatibility Sika® ViscoCrete®-520 P may be combined with most existing redispersible powders, accelerators, retarders and other additives used in dry-mix applications. In order to achieve an optimal effect with respect to initial liquefaction and slump keeping, the combination with another Sika ViscoCrete Powder is possible. Important: Always conduct trials before combining products in specific mix designs and contact our Technical Service Department for any additional information and advice concerning specific combinations with other products.

Dispensing Sika® ViscoCrete®-520 P is added to the dry mix. For optimum utilisation of the high water reduction capability, a minimum wet mixing time of 30 seconds is recommended for the mortar before use.

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.

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.

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. Further notes and information data sheets on product safety and disposal can be found on the Internet at www.sika.de.

LEGAL NOTES

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