

PRODUCT DATA SHEET

SikaRapid®-1

HARDENING ACCELERATOR

DESCRIPTION

SikaRapid®-1 is a liquid hardening accelerator for concrete and mortar. It meets the requirements for hardening accelerators according to EN 934-2. SikaRapid®-1 promotes early strength development without negatively influencing final strengths.

USES

SikaRapid®-1 is especially suitable for any application where fast early strength development plays a major role, or is of crucial importance within 6 to 24 hours. SikaRapid®-1 is used for the following applications:

- Precast concrete
- Ready- mixed concrete where early demoulding is essential
- Cold ambient temperatures to achieve sufficient strength gain
- Slip-formed concrete
- Ready- mixed concrete where minimum time delays are critical

CHARACTERISTICS / ADVANTAGES

SikaRapid®-1 provides the following advantages through accelerated hardening of the concrete:

- Faster turnaround of formwork in precast applications
- Reduced or eliminated heat or steam curing
- Fast construction processes and early load bearing capacity
- Continuous concreting at low temperatures
- No negative effects on the final strengths

When applied with a superplasticizer, SikaRapid®-1 will not change the fresh concrete properties produced by the superplasticizer.

SikaRapid®-1 does not contain chlorides or any other ingredients which promote the corrosion of steel. It is therefore suitable for use in reinforced concrete

APPROVALS / CERTIFICATES

Conforms to the requirements of EN 934-2, Table 7

PRODUCT INFORMATION

Composition	Mixture of organic and inorganic complex agents.
Packaging	25 L/pail 200 L/drum
Appearance / Colour	Red liquid
Shelf life	12 months shelf life from date of production if stored properly in undamaged, unopened, original sealed packaging.
Storage conditions	Storage at temperatures between 5 °C and 30 °C. Protect from direct sunlight, frost and contamination.
Density	1.16 - 1.18 kg/L (at +25°C)
pH-Value	~9.0
Total Chloride Ion Content	< 0.01 M-% (chloride-free)

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Concreting Guidance

The standard rules of good concreting practice, concerning production and placing, are to be followed. Laboratory trials shall be carried out before concreting on site, especially when using a new mix design or producing new concrete components. Fresh concrete must be cured properly and curing applied as early as possible.

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Recommended Dosage

0.5 - 2.0 % by weight of cement

Dispensing

SikaRapid®-1 is added to the gauging water or added with it into the concrete mixer.

SikaRapid®-1 may also be added into the ready-mix truck on site. When added on site the truck mixer shall rotate its drums at maximum revolutions for at least 1 minute per m³ concrete and a minimum of 5 minutes to achieve a uniform mix. The concrete has to be visually checked for uniform consistence before discharging.

Restrictions

SikaRapid®-1 shall not be added to dry cement.

IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS

When using SikaRapid®-1 a suitable mix design has to be produced and the local material sources shall always be trialled.

If frozen and/or if precipitation of the product has occurred, SikaRapid®-1 may be used after thawing slowly at room temperature and intensive mixing.

Before application, suitability tests must be performed.

It is advised against the application of SikaRapid®-1 in pre-tensioned pre-stressed concrete produced with the span bed method.

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 Material Safety Data Sheet containing physical, ecological, toxicological and other safety-related data.

LEGAL NOTES

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