

## PRODUCT DATA SHEET

# Sikament® N550

### HIGH RANGE WATER-REDUCING AND SET RETARDING CONCRETE ADMIXTURE

#### DESCRIPTION

Sikament® N550 is a highly effective superplasticizer with a set retarding effect for producing free-flowing concrete in hot climates. Also, a substantial water reducing agent for promoting high early and ultimate strengths.

#### USES

Sikament® N550 is used wherever high quality concrete is demanded under difficult placing and climatic conditions.

#### CHARACTERISTICS / ADVANTAGES

Sikament® N550 provides the following properties:

As a Superplasticizer:  
Substantial improvement in workability without increased water or the risk of segregation. Long lasting control of slump loss. No adverse effect on ultimate strengths.

As a Water Reducer:

- Early strengths significantly increased
- High ultimate strengths
- Up to 25% water reduction
- Especially suitable for hot climates
- No excessive air-entrainment
- No adverse shrinkage effect
- Improved surface finish
- Increased watertightness

#### APPROVALS / CERTIFICATES

Complies with ASTM C 494 Type G

#### PRODUCT INFORMATION

<b>Composition</b>	Blended Polymer
<b>Packaging</b>	200 l/ drum 1,000 l/ tote or bulk
<b>Appearance / Colour</b>	Brown Liquid
<b>Shelf life</b>	12 months from the date of production If stored properly in undamaged, original, sealed packaging.
<b>Storage conditions</b>	Store in dry conditions, protected from direct sunlight at temperature between 5°C and 40°C.
<b>Density</b>	1.155 - 1.195 kg/l (at temperature 25°C)
<b>pH-Value</b>	6.5 - 8.5 Approx.

## APPLICATION INFORMATION

<b>Recommended Dosage</b>	400-1,400 CC per 100 kg of cement weight. Exact dosage rates are dependent on the type of effect sought, quality of cement and aggregates, Water/Cement ratio and ambient temperature. Therefore, it is advisable to carry out trial mixes. Sikament® N550 is compatible with all types of Portland Cement, including S.R.C.
<b>Dispensing</b>	Sikament® N550 can be added separately to the freshly mixed concrete or directly to the mixing water prior to its addition to the aggregates. When added separately to the freshly mixed concrete, further mixing should take place for at least one minute per cubic meter.

## IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS

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

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