

PRODUCT DATA SHEET

SikaGrind® LS-53 TH

EFFICIENT GRINDING AID AND QUALITY IMPROVER FOR PORTLAND LIMESTONE CEMENT

DESCRIPTION

SikaGrind® LS-53 TH is a chloride free, liquid cement additive with performance enhancing properties. SikaGrind® LS-53 TH has been specifically developed for the production of Portland Limestone Cement. It improves the workability and strength development. SikaGrind® LS-53 TH is designed to optimize the efficiency of modern separators and cement mills especially for co-grinding of blended cements.

USES

- Improve the production rate of the cement grinding system
- Replace clinker with limestone
- Increase the early and late strength of cement
- Improve the workability

CHARACTERISTICS / ADVANTAGES

SikaGrind® LS-53 TH is a dispersant with the following characteristics:

- Neutralisation of electrical charges on the surface of the cement particles
- Reduced agglomeration of ground cement particles (better dispersion)
- Less coating (accumulation of material) on grinding media and mill internals

SikaGrind® LS-53 TH provides the following advantages in the cement production:

- Enhanced grinding performance of the cement mill
- Higher separator efficiency
- Higher mill output (tons per hour)
- Reduced relative power consumption per ton of cement
- Easier achievement of the desired cement fineness (Blaine, sieve residue)
- Minimized problems with "plugging"

SikaGrind® LS-53 TH gives the following advantages to the cement:

- Increased strength development at all ages
- Improved workability and improved particle size distribution
- Improved powder flow characteristics and easier discharge of the silos
- Economic and ecologic cement design with clinker replacements

PRODUCT INFORMATION

Composition	Blend of amines
Packaging	1,000 kg IBC
Appearance / Colour	Brown Liquid
Shelf life	12 months in undamaged, unopened and sealed original containers.
Storage conditions	Stored at temperatures between +5°C and +35°C. Protect from frost, direct sunlight and contamination. Note: When delivered in bulk, the tanks and equipment used must be free from contaminants.

Density 1.100 - 1.125 kg/L (at +25°C)

pH-Value 8.0 - 10.0

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Recommended Dosage

Typical dosage rates of SikaGrind® LS-53 TH are between 0.5 - 3 kg per tonne of cement (0.05 - 0.3% of total weight = cement clinker + additions). The optimum dosage to achieve the desired characteristics shall be determined in plant trials. Influencing factors are e.g. the properties of clinker, limestone and other plant variables. For consistent results, SikaGrind® LS-53 TH must be accurately dispensed.

Compatibility

Cements treated with SikaGrind® LS-53 TH are compatible in concretes produced with all commercial admixtures including air entrainers, water reducers, retarders and superplasticizers. The performance of concrete admixtures is not adversely affected by the use of SikaGrind® LS-53 TH.

Dispensing

SikaGrind® LS-53 TH shall be added onto the clinker feed shortly before the mill entrance or directly into the grinding mill. Suitable dosage pumps with adjustable flow rates shall be used for accurate dosing.
Note: Periodically, the end of the additive tube/hose shall be checked to ensure that it is not blocked.

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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