

PRODUCT DATA SHEET

SikaGrind®-144 Activator

Grinding Aid And Quality Improver For The Production Of Cement

DESCRIPTION

SikaGrind® -144 Activator is a chloride free liquid additive to allow easier grinding of cement and enhance the quality of all types of cement. SikaGrind® -144 Activator has been specifically developed to obtain cements with strongly increased capacity and all ages of strength.

USES

SikaGrind® -144 Activator is used in the grinding of cement to:

- Increased the production rate
- Improve the efficiency of the mill and separator
- Enhance the quality of cement

FEATURES

SikaGrind® -144 Activator is a very effective dispersant with the following characteristics:

- Neutralization of electrical charges on the surface of cement particles
- Separation of the cement particles

SikaGrind® -144 Activator provides the following advantages in the cement production:

- Higher efficiency of the plants (tons per hour) due to reduced grinding time per ton
- Higher separator efficiency due to improved dispersion
- Faster achievement of the desired cement fineness
- Reduced re-agglomeration of the cement particles
- Less accumulation of material on grinding equipment (grinding balls and mill)
- Cost savings due to a lower power consumption per ton
- Easier handling and minimized problems with "plugging" due to improved flow characteristics

SikaGrind® -144 Activator gives the following advantages to the finished cement:

- Reduced handling costs especially on pneumatic conveying systems
- Reduced risk of hydration in the silos
- Optimum cement granulometry (reduced quantity of "over-milled" particles)
- Increased early and final strengths
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- Allows economic cement design with clinker replacements
- Reduced water demand
- Uniform air entrainment in the stated dosage range
- Consistent setting times
- Reduced brown or yellow discolorations

PRODUCT INFORMATION

Composition	Blend of amines
Packaging	1000 ltr IBC
Shelf life	12months shelf life from date of production if stored properly in undamaged, unopened, original sealed packaging.
Storage conditions	Store in undamaged, unopened, original sealed packaging in dry conditions at temperatures between +5 °C and +35 °C. Protect from direct sunlight and frost.

Note: When delivered in bulk, the tanks and equipment used must be free from contaminants

Appearance and colour	Clear Brown Liquid
Specific gravity	1.102 at 25 °C
pH-Value	11±1
Total chloride ion content	Nil

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Recommended dosage	Typical dosage rates of sikaGrind® -144 Activator are between 0.2-0.6 kg per ton of cement (0.02% -0.06% of total weight = cement + additions). The optimum dosage, which changes according to the properties of each clinker source, type of cement and other plant variables, should be determined in plant trials according to the desired properties of the cement. For consistent results, SikaGrind® -144 Activator must be accurately dispensed.
Dispensing	Cements treated with SikaGrind® -144 activator are compatible in concretes produced with all commercial admixtures including air entrainers, water reducers, retarders and super plasticizers. The performance of concrete admixtures is not adversely affected by the use of SikaGrind® -144 Activator. Please consult our Technical Services Department.
Compatibility	SikaGrind®-144 Activator is added into the grinding mill (first or second compartment), onto the clinker feeding channel or sprinkled dropped onto the clinker (raw material) on the conveyor belt. Suitable dosage pumps with adjustable flow rates should be used for accurate dosing. Note: Periodically, the end of the additive tube should be checked to ensure, that it is not blocked with cement clinker/dust.

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.

LIMITATIONS OF USE

Before pouring, suitability tests on the fresh concrete must be carried out. Due to the extended workability take special care that formwork is properly installed and secured. If frozen and/or if precipitation has occurred, it may only be used after thawing slowly at room temperature and intensive mixing. When using SikaGrind®-144 Activator a suitable concrete mix must be designed for the local material sources and should be trialed. When accidental overdosing occurs the set retarding effect and workability increases. Additional air may also be entrained. During this period the concrete must be kept moist in order to prevent premature drying out.

ECOLOGY, HEALTH AND SAFETY

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 exact product data and uses.

LEGAL NOTES

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