

PRODUCT DATA SHEET

Sikament® RB 875

(formerly MasterRheobuild® 875)

High range, water-reducing, superplasticising admixture for the production of rheoplastic concrete

DESCRIPTION

The basic components of Sikament® RB 875 are synthetic polymers, which allow mixing water to be reduced considerably and concrete strength to be enhanced significantly, particularly at early ages. Sikament® RB 875 is a chloride-free product.

USES

- Production of rheoplastic self-compacting concrete
- Pre-cast concrete
- Low w/c ratio concrete
- In complicated formwork or with congested reinforcement

FEATURES

Sikament® RB 875 allows the production of very flowable concrete, with a low w/c ratio. Concrete with Sikament® RB 875 shows strengths higher than concrete without admixture having the same workability. The increase in strength, especially evident at early ages, remains at later ages, both in air cured and steam cured processes. Initial and final sets do not change significantly with respect to concrete without admixture.

Due to the reduction in the w/c ratio, all other properties of hardened concrete improve significantly, namely, lowered permeability, shrinkage and creep, increased workability and modulus of elasticity.

CERTIFICATES AND TEST REPORTS

ASTM C-494 Types A and F
BS 5075 Part 1 and 3

PRODUCT INFORMATION

Packaging	Sikament® RB 875 is available in bulk or 210ltr drums.
Shelf life	Up to 12 months if stored according to manufacturer's instructions in unopened containers.
Storage conditions	Store under cover, out of direct sunlight and protect from extremes of temperature. Failure to comply with the recommended storage conditions may result in premature deterioration of the product or packaging.
Appearance and colour	Dark brown liquid
Density	1.165-1.185 at 25°C
pH-Value	5-7
Total chloride ion content	Nil to BS 5075

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Recommended dosage	Sikament® RB 875 is normally dispensed depending on the desired plasticising or water-reducing effect at a rate of 0.2-2.0ltr/100kg of cement . Other dosages may be used, depending on the materials and conditions.
Dispensing	Sikament® RB 875 is introduced into the mixer together with mixing water. The plasticising effect or water reduction is higher if the admixture is added to the concrete after 50-70% of the mixing water has been added. The addition of Sikament® RB 875 to dry aggregate or cement is not recommended.
Compatibility	Sikament® RB 875 is compatible with all cements and admixtures meeting ASTM standards. The use of Sikament® RB 875 and SikaControl®-111 AER air-entraining agent is recommended whenever concrete is required to withstand freeze/thaw cycling.

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.

LIMITATIONS OF USE

A severe over dosage of Sikament® RB 875 will result in the following:

- Retardation of initial and final set
- Slight increase in air-entrainment
- Increase in workability

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.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Sikament® RB 875 should be added to the mix with the gauging water.

No extension to mixing time is necessary. Never add Sikament® RB 875 to dry cement. Alternatively, when using Sikament® RB 875 to produce flowing concrete at site, using ready mix trucks, it can be added to the concrete via the feed hopper at the rear of the truck. Mix before discharge for 3 minutes at 10rpm to produce a fully homogenous mix.

When using Sikament® RB 875 to obtain very high early strengths, advantage must be taken of its water-reducing properties.

LEGAL NOTES

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