

## Sikament® -520

### High Range Water Reducing and Set Retarding Concrete Admixture

<b>Product Description</b>	Sikament® -520 is a highly effective super plasticizer 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.  It complies with ASTM C-494 type G.
<b>Uses</b>	Sikament® -520 is used wherever high quality concrete is demanded under difficult placing and climatic conditions.
<b>Advantages</b>	Sikament® -520 provides the following properties:  <u>As a Super plasticizer:</u> Substantial improvement in workability without increased water or the risk of segregation. Long-lasting control of slump loss. No adverse effect on ultimate strengths.  <u>As a Water Reducer:</u> Early strengths significantly increased. High ultimate strengths. Up to 20% water reduction. Especially suitable for hot climates. No excessive air-entertainment. No adverse shrinkage effect. Improved surface finish. Increased water tightness.  Chloride free-does not attack reinforcement
<b>Technical Data</b>	
<b>Base</b>	Modified Synthetic Dispersion
<b>Appearance / Colour</b>	Brown liquid
<b>Density (at 20°C)</b>	1.185 (ASTM C-494)
<b>Packaging</b>	5 and 20 kg pails 220 kg drums Bulk Tanks packing available upon request
<b>Storage</b>	Store in dry conditions, protected from direct sunlight and frost.
<b>Shelf Life</b>	12 months from date of production if stored properly in undamaged and unopened original sealed packing.
<b>Application</b>	
<b>Dosage</b>	0.6 - 2.0 % by weight of cement.  Exact dosage rates are dependent on the type of effect sought, quality of cement & aggregates, Water/Cement-ratio and ambient temperature. Therefore, it is advisable to carry out trial mixes.
<b>Dispensing</b>	Sikament® -520 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, freshly mixing should take place for at least one minute per cubic meter.
<b>Important Notes</b>	Sikament® -520 is compatible with all types of Portland Cement, including S.R.C.  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.



## Safety Instructions

### Safety Precautions

Accidental splashes to the skin must be washed off with water and soap.  
Accidental splashes to the eyes or mucous membrane must be rinsed with clean warm water. Seek medical attention.

### Ecology

Residues of material must be removed according to local regulations.  
Fully cured material can be disposed of as household waste under agreement with the responsible local authorities.

### Transport

Non-hazardous

### Toxicity

Non-Toxic under relevant health and safety codes.

### Legal notes

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