Construction

## Sika Fiber<sup>®</sup>

Monofilament Polypropylene Fibres

Product Description	Sika Fiber <sup>®</sup> is a monofilament polypropylene additive fibres to reduce the occurrence of plastic shrinkage and plastic settlement cracking, whilst enhancing the surface properties and durability of hardened cementitious products.
	The fibres are extremely fine, single filaments, measuring 18 microns in diameter, cut to lengths of 3, 6, 12 and 18 mm, in accordance with maximum aggregate size considerations and surface appearance requirements. The fibres are coated with surfactant to improve initial dispersion and bond.
Uses	Sika Fiber <sup>®</sup> are used in the following applications:
	Internal Floor Slabs
	Water Retaining Structures
	Concrete Buildings
	Repair Materials
	External Hard Standings
	Pattern Imprinted Concrete
	■ Bridges
	Precast Concrete
	■ Fire Resistance
	Extruded Concrete
	Agricultural Areas
	Piling Concrete
	■ Shotcrete/Gunite
Advantages	Reduced Plastic Shrinkage Cracks
	Reduced Plastic Settlement
	Reduced Bleeding & Significant lower brittleness
	Alternative to Crack Control Mesh
	Reduced Water & Chemical Permeability
	Reduced Explosive Spalling in Fire
	Increased Abrasion Properties
	■ Increased Impact Resistance
	■ Improved Freeze/Thaw Resistance
Standards	Sika Fiber <sup>®</sup> is manufactured to EN ISO 9001 standards and has full British Board Agreement (BBA) approval. Complies with ASTM C-1116-97
	Sika Fiber <sup>®</sup> has been tested as per SCAQMD Rule 1168.
	Result: VOC Content 0 g/L
Product Data	
Base	100% Virgin Polypropylene
Colour	Natural
Design	Monofilament Fiber
Fibre Length	3, 6, 12 & 18 mm
Diameter	18 microns nominal
Packaging	0.9 Kg of fibres are packed in either plastic or degradable paper bags, where one bag of fibres is the required amount of product for one cubic meter of concrete.
	Bagged fibres are placed in boxes for ease of handling. Fibres can also be ordered in bulk quantities and packed in boxes of 20 - 500 Kg.
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Storage Conditions	Boxes of fibres must be stored on a clean surface, in dry conditions under cover and away from the possibility of damage.
Technical Data	
Density	0.91 gm nominal
Tensile Strength [N/mm2]	300 - 400
Elongation	> 80%
Absorption	Nil
Specific Surface Area	250 sq meter per KG
Melt Point	160 °C
Ignition Point	365 °C
Thermal Conductivity	Low
Electrical Conductivity	Low
Acid Resistance	High
Alkali Resistance	100%
Application	
Dosage	The recommended dosage rate is 0.90 kg per cubic meter of concrete
Mixing	Fibres should ideally be added at the batching plant; although in some instances this may not be possible and addition at site will be the only option.
	If mixing at the batching plant, fibres should be the first constituent, along with half the mixing water. After all the other ingredients have been added, including the remaining mixing water, the concrete should be mixed for a minimum of 70 revolutions at full speed to ensure uniform fibre dispersion.
	In the case of site mixing, a minimum of 70 drum revolutions is highly recommended.
Notes	Quality assurance checks are conducted on surfactant and moisture content, fibre weight and fineness.
	Sika Fiber <sup>®</sup> fibres are extremely fine and although slightly visible at the plastic stage, are not readily seen on the hardened surface.
Safety Instructions	
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.
Toxicity	Non-Toxic under relevant health and safety codes.
Transport	Non-hazardous.
Legal notes	The information, and in particular, the recommendations relating to the application and end-use of Sika products, are given in good faith based on Sika's current knowledge and experience of the products when properly stored, handled and applied under normal conditions in accordance with Sika's recommendations. In practice, the differences in materials, substrates and actual site conditions are such that no warranty in respect of merchantability or of fitness for a particular purpose, nor any liability arising out of any legal relationship whatsoever, can be inferred either from this information, or from any written recommendations, or from any other advice offered. The user of the product must test the product's suitability for the intended application and purpose. Sika reserves the right to change the properties of its products. The proprietary rights of third parties must be observed. All orders are accepted subject to our current terms of sale and delivery. Users must always refer to the most recent issue of the local Product Data Sheet for the product concerned, copies of which will be supplied on request.



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