PRODUCT DATA SHEET
SikaControl® NS

SHRINKAGE REDUCING AND COMPENSATING ADMIXTURE

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

SikaControl® NS is a shrinkage reducing/compensating admixture used to produce high performance concrete with reduced potential for drying shrinkage cracking and curling. SikaControl® NS meets the requirements of ASTM C-494 Type S.

USES

SikaControl® NS can be used in any type of cast-in-place or precast/prestressed concrete, grouts, mortars or any other cementitious mixes. Some of the applications of SikaControl® NS may include:

• Concrete floors, to compensate for drying shrinkage cracking, control curling and increase joint spacing.
• In thin bonded topping slabs, to minimize the difference in shrinkage between the new topping and the existing substrate.
• In concrete elements which are restrained against shrinkage.
• For bridge decks and parking structures.
• For durable concrete in marine environments.
• For watertight concrete in reservoirs, sewage treatment plants, and dams.

CHARACTERISTICS / ADVANTAGES

• Greatly reduced cracking potential related to drying and autogenous shrinkage.
• Reduced curling and increased joint spacing.
• Substantially improved impermeability, resulting in improved concrete durability.

PRODUCT INFORMATION

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<th>Packaging</th>
<th>SikaControl® NS is available in 25 lb (11.34 kg) bags and 2,000 lb (907 kg) super sacks.</th>
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<td>Appearance / Color</td>
<td>Powder, Off-White Tan</td>
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<td>Shelf Life</td>
<td>Shelf life when stored in dry warehouse conditions is 12 months.</td>
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**Storage Conditions**

SikaControl® NS should always be stored in a dry environment. Exposed, unprotected material will absorb moisture and carbon dioxide from the air resulting in reduced product performance.

**Specific Gravity**

Approximately 2.71

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**APPLICATION INFORMATION**

**Recommended Dosage**

The recommended dosage range for SikaControl® NS is from 2–7 % by wt. of cement mass for concrete, mortars or grouts. SikaControl® NS at 5 % dosage rate has shown significant reduction in shrinkage cracking in independent lab testing.

When trial mixes are performed for mix approval, ensure that all materials used are representative of the materials used during actual production.

**Mixing**

SikaControl® NS can be added to the concrete either along with the other powder components or after all the other ingredients are added to the concrete mixer or truck. If it is added after all the other ingredients, adequate mixing should be ensured. The 25 lb repulpable bags are designed to disintegrate through a combination of wetting and grinding the paper during concrete mixing.

To maximize product performance proper curing practices should be followed as per ACI 308 or project specifications.

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**LIMITATIONS**

Limitations: Do not introduce repulpable bags into concrete mixes with low water-cementitious ratios and smaller size aggregates as these mixes may not develop sufficient mixing energy to fully repulp the bags. Always determine repulpability of bags by pretesting mix designs and batch sequence.

**Combination with SCM’s and Other Admixtures:**

- SikaControl® NS is compatible with commonly used SCM’s and other Sika admixtures.
- Do not premix with other admixtures.

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**ENVIRONMENTAL, HEALTH AND SAFETY**

For further information and advice regarding transportation, handling, storage and disposal of chemical products, user should refer to the actual Safety Data Sheets containing physical, environmental, toxicological and other safety related data. User must read the current actual Safety Data Sheets before using any products. In case of an emergency, call CHEMTREC at 1-800-424-9300, International 703-527-3887.

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- KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN
- NOT FOR INTERNAL CONSUMPTION
- FOR INDUSTRIAL USE ONLY
- FOR PROFESSIONAL USE ONLY

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