

## PRODUCT DATA SHEET

# Sikament® AFM

### MID-RANGE WATER REDUCING ADMIXTURE

#### PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Sikament® AFM is a mid-range water reducing admixture utilizing Sika's ViscoCrete® polycarboxylate technology. Sikament® AFM meets the requirements of ASTM C494/AASHTO M 194, Type A & F.

#### USES

Sikament® AFM is designed for use in ready mix applications whenever high plasticity and increased strengths are required and is effective in concrete containing Portland Limestone Cement (PLC/Type IL) and supplementary cementitious materials. Sikament® AFM can be used for production of high slump/flow concrete as well as for production of conventional slump concrete.

#### CHARACTERISTICS / ADVANTAGES

Various levels of water reduction can be achieved by adjusting the dosage rate of Sikament® AFM.

When used as a high range water reducing admixture, water reduction up to 25% can be obtained. The superplasticizing action of Sikament® AFM allows for the production of high slump/flow concrete with excellent workability that can typically be placed with minimal vibration even at a low water/cementitious ratio.

At lower dosage rates Sikament® AFM is an effective normal water reducing or mid-range water reducing admixture. This application is ideal for use with lean, harsh concrete mixes or concrete containing supplementary cementitious materials.

The combined water reducing and superplasticizing action of Sikament® AFM provides the following benefits:

- Reduced water cement ratios produce more durable, dense concrete,
- Increased slump and workability improves efficiency of labor and reduces labor costs,
- Improved finishing characteristics,
- Increased strengths allow faster structural use of concrete.

Sikament® AFM does not contain intentionally added chlorides

#### ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION

Enables a substantially lower carbon footprint through reduction in cementitious materials. Reduces the amount of water required to produce concrete.

A Manufacturer Inventory is available for Sikament® AFM.

For further information, please visit:  
<https://usa.sika.com/en/sustainability.html>

#### PRODUCT INFORMATION

##### Packaging

Available in 55-gallon (208-liter) drums, 275-gallon (1040-liter) totes and bulk delivery.

<b>Shelf Life</b>	Shelf life when stored in original packaging in dry warehouse conditions between 40°F and 80°F (5-27°C) is one year from the date of manufacture.
<b>Storage Conditions</b>	Sikament® AFM should be stored above 40°F (5°C). If frozen, thaw and agitate thoroughly to return to a normal state. Protect from direct sunlight.
<b>Appearance / Color</b>	Brown Liquid
<b>Specific gravity</b>	Approx. 1.029

## APPLICATION INFORMATION

**Recommended Dosage**

The typical dosage rate of Sikament® AFM will vary between 3-12 fl oz / 100 lb. (195-780 mL / 100 kg) of cement or cementitious materials. If maximum water reduction is required, dosage rates up to 18 fl oz / 100 lb. (1170 ml / 100 kg) or above of cement or cementitious materials may be used. Various factors will affect the dosage rates.

Trial mixes with the actual materials should be conducted to determine the required dosage for optimum performance.

To the extent specialized materials are used, extreme ambient temperatures are encountered, or for other unusual project conditions, dosage rates outside the typical range may be required. For dosage rates outside the typical range, please contact your local Sika representative or the Sika Technical Services Department at 1-800-933-7452.

**Mixing**

Measure the required quantity manually or by automated dispenser. Add Sikament® AFM directly into the freshly mixed concrete, or as an integral material in the batching cycle. Do NOT mix with dry cement. Sikament® AFM may be dispensed on-site directly prior to placement. Care must be taken to mix thoroughly. When used in combination with other admixtures dispense each admixture separately into the mix.

**Compatibility:** Sikament® AFM can be used in combination with other Sika admixtures and can be successfully used in mix designs utilizing supplementary cementitious materials. If used in combination with certain Sikament® high range water reducers, it may affect the plastic properties of fresh concrete.

## BASIS OF PRODUCT DATA

Results may differ based upon statistical variations depending upon mixing methods and equipment, temperature, application methods, test methods, actual site conditions and curing conditions.

## OTHER RESTRICTIONS

See Legal Disclaimer.

## ENVIRONMENTAL, HEALTH AND SAFETY

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