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# PRODUCT DATA SHEET Sika® ViscoCrete®-2017 Ease

(formerly MasterEase® 2017)

New superplasticizer technology with enhanced rheological performance

## DESCRIPTION

Sika<sup>®</sup> ViscoCrete<sup>®</sup>-2017 Ease is a superplasticizer, high range water reducer. Sika<sup>®</sup> ViscoCrete<sup>®</sup>-2017 Ease is especially engineered for ready-mix rheoplastic concrete having fluid consistence and self-compacting concrete, to impart exceptional rheological properties and having a very high workability retention, in all weather conditions. It improves considerably the placing and finishing of concretes and enhances the ease of concrete pumping for all construction activities. The fresh concrete shows no segregation even at low water cement ratio and, consequently, high early and long-term strengths.

Sika<sup>®</sup> ViscoCrete<sup>®</sup>-2017 Ease is free of chloride and has been formulated to comply with the requirements of ASTM C494 for Types A and F admixtures.

### USES

Sika<sup>®</sup> ViscoCrete<sup>®</sup>-2017 Ease is especially beneficial for the production of high-quality ready-mix concrete particularly when high water reductions are required in combination with a requirement for an extended period of workability e.g long-distance deliveries or deliveries with extended discharge times.

Sika<sup>®</sup> ViscoCrete<sup>®</sup>-2017 Ease is designed to exhibit extended workability retention when incorporate with retention type of admixture. The enhanced rheology of the resultant concrete allows low water cement ratios to be achieved without the traditionally accepted increased levels of stickiness. This is particularly beneficial in areas of heavily congested reinforcement. It can be used for the realization and achievement of the following:

- Ready-mix and site Mix concrete
- Superior concrete pumping
- Reduction of concrete waste
- Ease of compacting and finishing concrete
- High performance and ultra-high strength concrete

- Concrete for low environmental impact and high in mineral additions
- Architectural concrete

# **CHARACTERISTICS / ADVANTAGES**

The Sika<sup>®</sup> ViscoCrete<sup>®</sup>-2017 Ease delivers many advantages in the fresh concrete on hardened concrete. At fresh state, optimizing the rheology:

- Decrease in the viscosity of concretes at constant W/C
- Improved pumping (lower pressure and longer distance).
- Better response to vibration.
- Greater ease of pumping.
- Superior finishing, floating and smoothing operations.
- Excellent flexibility, mobility and flow of self-compacting concrete.

Reduction possible to the W/C ratio without affecting the viscosity of concretes.

- New windows for technical and economic optimization of concrete mix designs (addition and types of binder, choice of aggregates).
- High strength and resistance to segregation.
- Good compatibility with all types of cement and mineral additions.
- In the cured state, improvement of sustainability
- Excellent early and late compressive strength
- Improvement of quality of surface finishes
- As part of a reduction of W/C
  - Increased mechanical resistances
  - Decreased porosity and permeability
  - Decreased shrinkage and cracking
  - Enhanced durability

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### **PRODUCT INFORMATION**

Packaging	<ul><li>1000 L IBC tank</li><li>Bulk delivery</li></ul>
Shelf Life	12 months from date of production
Storage Conditions	Store at a temperature above 0 °C and in tightly sealed original containers. If frozen, thaw it and completely reconstitute by mild agitation. Do not use compressed air.

#### **APPLICATION INFORMATION**

Recommended Dosage	Dosage of Sika <sup>®</sup> ViscoCrete <sup>®</sup> -2017 Ease depends on the mix design, ambi- ent conditions and degree of water reduction and workability required. Sika <sup>®</sup> ViscoCrete <sup>®</sup> -2017 Ease is dispensed at a rate of 200 ml to 1000 ml per 100 kg of cementitious material. Other dosages may also be used de- pending on the specific working conditions. Trial mixes should be made with job materials to determine the optimum dosage required for a spe- cified job requirement. If required consult our Technical Services Department for advice.
Dispensing	Sika <sup>®</sup> ViscoCrete <sup>®</sup> -2017 Ease is a ready-to-use admixture that is added to the concrete at the time of batching. The maximum effect is achieved when Sika <sup>®</sup> ViscoCrete <sup>®</sup> -2017 Ease is ad- ded after the addition of 50 % to 70 % of water. Sika <sup>®</sup> ViscoCrete <sup>®</sup> -2017 Ease must not be added to the dry materials. A separate dispenser and feed line must be used.
SYSTEM INFORMATION	
Compatibility	Sika <sup>®</sup> ViscoCrete <sup>®</sup> -2017 Ease is compatible with all cements meeting re- cognised international standards. Sika <sup>®</sup> ViscoCrete <sup>®</sup> -2017 Ease is compatible and recommended for use with

viscosity modifying agents to produce SCC. Sika<sup>®</sup> ViscoCrete<sup>®</sup>-2017 Ease is not compatible with the Sikament<sup>®</sup> RB superplasticisers.

# **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.

# ECOLOGY, HEALTH AND SAFETY

User must read the most recent corresponding Safety Data Sheets (SDS) before using any products. The SDS provides information and advice on the safe handling, storage and disposal of chemical products and contains physical, ecological, toxicological and other safety-related data.

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