

MasterGlenium[®] ACE 8381

Engineered high-range superplasticiser for precast application

MATERIAL DESCRIPTION

MasterGlenium ACE 8381 is an innovative polycarboxylic ether (PCE) based superplasticiser ideally suited for precast industry. A specifically formulationactive ingredient, designed with **MasterGlenium ACE 8381** offers excellent dispersion of cement at low water binder ratio and exceptional early strength development.

The rapid development of early strength of **MasterGlenium ACE 8381** allows for zero or minimum application of heating curing processes. The combination of early strength, slump retention and late strength development allows meet demanding **MasterGlenium ACE 8381** to concreting requirements, often exceeding the performance of conventional superplasticisers.

MasterGlenium ACE 8381 is not compatible with RHEOBUILD range of superplasticisers.

CHEMISTRY AND MECHANISM

MasterGlenium ACE 8381 is differentiated from conventional superplasticisers in that it is based on a unique polycarboxylate ether polymer with long lateral chains. This greatly improves cement dispersion. Conventional superplasticisers, such as those based on sulphonated melamine and naphthalene formaldehyde condensates, at the time of mixing, become absorbed onto the surface of the cement particles. This absorption takes place at a very early stage in the hydration process. The sulphonic groups of the polymer chains increase the negative charge on the surface of the cement particle and dispersion of the cement occurs by electrostatic repulsion.

At the start of the mixing process the same electrostatic dispersion occurs as described previously, but the presence of the lateral chains, linked to the polymer backbone, generate a steric hindrance, which stabilises the cement particles capacity to separate and disperse. This mechanism provides flowable concrete with greatly reduced water demand.

FEATURES AND BENEFITS

MasterGlenium ACE 8381 offers the following benefits:

- High water reduction capacity over conventional superplasticizers

- Low permeability and high durability concrete
- Flowability for ease of placement and compaction
- Optimize curing cycle by shortening curing time or decreasing curing temperature
- Eliminate energy required for placing, consolidation and curing
- Improved surface appearance and concrete quality

APPLICATION

MasterGlenium ACE 8381 is a liquid admixture to be added to the concrete during the mixing process. The best results are obtained when the admixture is added after all the other components are already in the mixer and after the addition of at least 80% of the total water.

DOSAGE

The normally recommended dosage rate is 0.7 to 1.2 litres per 100 kg of binder. Other dosages may be used in special cases according to specific job site conditions. In this case please consult our Master Builders Solutions representative.

PACKAGING

MasterGlenium ACE 8381 is available in bulk and 205L drums.

SHELF LIFE

MasterGlenium ACE 8381 must be stored in a place where the temperature is not below 0°C. In case the product freezes, increase the temperature of the product to 30°C and remix.

PRECAUTIONS

Health: **MasterGlenium ACE 8381** does not contain any hazardous substances need to be labelled. It is safe for use with standard precautions followed in the construction industry, such as use of hand gloves, safety goggles, etc. For detailed health, safety and environmental recommendations, please consult and follow all instructions on the product Material Safety Data Sheet.

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