

# MasterGlenium<sup>®</sup> SKY 8576

New generation superplasticising admixture

## DESCRIPTION

**MasterGlenium SKY 8576** is a new generation superplasticiser for concrete containing polycarboxylate ether polymers, developed for use in the ready-mix concrete application. The ability to work with low water cement ratio allows for the manufacture of high grade and high-quality concrete.

**MasterGlenium SKY 8576** is free of chloride and has been formulated to comply with the requirements of BS EN 934-2. **MasterGlenium SKY 8576** is compatible with all cements meeting recognised international standards.

### Chemistry and Mechanism of Action

**MasterGlenium SKY 8576** 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.

## RECOMMENDED USES

**MasterGlenium SKY 8576** is suitable to work at low water-cement ratios. The high-water reduction capability of **MasterGlenium SKY 8576** makes it an ideal admixture for high grade concrete application. It can also be used in combination with other BASF admixtures for specific working requirements. Consult your local Master Builders Solutions sales representative for assistance.

## FEATURES AND BENEFITS

- **High water reduction** - High early and ultimate strengths. Low permeability, high durability concrete.

- **High flowability** - Ease of placing and compaction. Less vibration required even in case of steel reinforcement congestion. Less workmanship required.
- **Superior workability** - Improves concrete finish. Excellent surface appearance and texture.
- **Low shrinkage and creep** - Improved dimensional stability. Reduced risk of cracks
- **Superior cohesion** - Ease of pumping
- **High elastic modulus** - Superior load bearing capacity.
- **Minimal bleed water** - Improved surface quality.

## TYPICAL PERFORMANCE DATA

**MasterGlenium SKY 8576** improves early and final strength considerably. **MasterGlenium SKY 8576** also improves workability of concrete more than traditional superplasticisers.

## APPLICATION

### Dispensing

**MasterGlenium SKY 8576** is a ready-to-use admixture that is added to the concrete at the time of batching.

The maximum effect is achieved when **MasterGlenium SKY 8576** is added after the addition of 50 to 70% of water. **MasterGlenium SKY 8576** must not be added to the dry materials. A separate dispenser and feed line must be used.

## DOSAGE

The normal dosage of **MasterGlenium SKY 8576** is between 400 and 1200 ml per 100 kg of cementitious materials. Other dosages may also be used depending on the specific working conditions.

Trial mixes should be made with job site materials to determine the optimum dosage required for a specified job requirement.

## PACKAGING

**MasterGlenium SKY 8576** is available in bulk and 1000L IBC.

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## SHELF LIFE

**MasterGlenium SKY 8576** can be stored for 12 months if stored 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.

## PRECAUTIONS

**Health: MasterGlenium SKY 8576** does not contain any hazardous substances requiring labelling.

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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