

MasterEase 3968

Superplasticizer for the production of high quality ready-mix concrete with enhanced rheology

MATERIAL DESCRIPTION

MasterEase 3968 is an innovative superplasticizer designed to give class-leading rheology and workability.

MasterEase 3968 is formulated from unique polymers produced in-house by Master Builders Solutions. The objective of the development of this new, next generation polymer was to take the characteristics of traditional polycarboxylic ether (PCE) admixtures but to give enhanced rheology and robustness to the concrete.

The polymers contained in the formulation of MasterEase 3969 ensure that enhanced rheology is maintained from time of mixing to time of placing and finishing.

AREAS OF APPLICATION

MasterEase 3968 is used for the production of high quality ready-mix concrete.

CHARACTERISTICS AND BENEFITS

For the Ready-mix Producer:

- Capability of delivering high performance concrete with enhanced rheology.
- Concrete is easier to pump reducing pumping time and pumping pressure and thus wear-and-tear on equipment.
- Concrete is easier to place and finish.
- Enhanced rheology is maintained from time of mixing to time of placement.

For the Contractor / Applicator:

- Easier placing and improved strength development
- Improved concrete surfaces

For the Engineer:

- Insurance that concrete meets original specification
- High quality durable concrete.

PACKAGING

MasterEase 3968 is supplied 1,000 litre containers.

TYPICAL PROPERTIES*

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| Appearance | Brownish Liquid |
| Specific gravity @25°C | 1.060 - 1.080 |
| pH value | 6.0 – 9.0 |
| Chloride Content | “chloride-free” to EN 934-2 |

The occurrence of a surface layer with **MasterEase 3968** is normal and will have no effect on the performance of the product.

DOSAGE

The normally recommended dosage rate of **MasterEase 3968** is 0.5 to 1.5 litre per 100kg of total cementitious material.

Other dosages may be recommended in special cases according to the specific site conditions. In this case, please consult our Technical Services Department for advice.

MIXING

MasterEase 3968 is a ready-to-use admixture to be added to the concrete as a separate component. Optimal result is obtained if **MasterEase 3968** is poured into the concrete mix right after the addition of the first 80% of the mixing water, i.e. when all solids are wetted. Avoid adding the admixture to the dry aggregates.

COMPATIBILITY

MasterEase 3968 is not compatible with MasterRheobuild superplasticizers.

MasterEase 3968 is suitable for mixes containing:

- Microsilica (Silica Fume)
- Fly Ash (PFA)
- GGBS (ground granulated blast furnace slag)

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STORAGE / SHELF LIFE

MasterEase 3968 should be stored out of direct sunlight and protected from extremes of temperature. The shelf life is 12 months when stored as above.

HANDLING & TRANSPORTATION

No special requirements must be observed during use. Protection gloves and glasses are however recommended. **MasterEase 3968** is non-flammable, non-toxic or irritant and is not subject to special transport requirements.

PRECAUTIONS

MasterEase 3968 contains no hazardous substances requiring labelling. For further information refer to the Material Safety Data Sheet.

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