

# PRODUCT DATA SHEET

## Sikament® PS LB

### HIGH RANGE WATER-REDUCING CONCRETE ADMIXTURE

#### DESCRIPTION

Sikament® PS LB is a highly effective water-reducing agent and superplasticizer based on naphthalene technology for promoting accelerated hardening and free flowing concrete.

#### USES

Sikament® PS LB as a superplasticizer for flow concrete:

- Floor slabs
- Foundations
- Slender components with packed reinforcement
- Walls and columns
- Beams and ceilings

Sikament® PS LB as a water-reducer for the manufacture:

- Pre-casted concrete elements
- Bridges and cantilever structures
- Pre-stressed concrete
- Area of concrete where formwork must be removed quickly, or early loading applied

#### PRODUCT INFORMATION

<b>Packaging</b>	Bulk deliveries in 1200 Kg IBC
<b>Appearance / Color</b>	Brown Liquid
<b>Shelf life</b>	12 months from the date of production If stored properly in undamaged, original, sealed packaging.
<b>Storage conditions</b>	Store in dry conditions, protected from direct sunlight at temperature between 5°C and 40°C.
<b>Density</b>	1.18 ± 0.015 kg/l (at 25°C)
<b>pH-Value</b>	7.5 - 10.0 Approx.

#### APPLICATION INFORMATION

**Recommended Dosage** 0.6 - 2.5 % of cement weight. Exact dosage rates are dependent

#### CHARACTERISTICS / ADVANTAGES

Sikament® PS LB provides the following properties:

As a Superplasticizer:

- Substantial improvement in workability without increased water or the risk of segregation
- Normal set without retardation, even when over dosed
- Improved density and surface finish

As a Water Reducer:

- Up to 30% water reduction
- Increased frost-resistance
- Increased watertightness

#### APPROVALS / CERTIFICATES

on the type of effect sought, quality of cement and aggregates, water/cement ratio and ambient temperature. Therefore, in many cases it is advisable to carry out trial mixes.

Sikament® PS LB is compatible with all types of Portland Cement, including S.R.C type and Hydraulic Cement.

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**Dispensing**

Sikament® PS LB can be added separately to the freshly mixed concrete or directly to the mixing water prior to its addition to the aggregates. When added separately to the freshly mixed concrete, further mixing should take place for at least one minute per cubic meter.

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**Restrictions**

Concrete shall be designed in accordance with ACI 211.1-89 standard recommended practice for selecting proportions for concrete and shall contain a superplasticizer which shall be Sikament® PS as manufactured by Sika. It shall be used in strict accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.

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## IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS

Accidental overdosing of Sikament® PS may cause segregation. In this case, it is advisable to prolong mixing time until concrete become normal.

## 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.

## LOCAL RESTRICTIONS

Please note that because of specific local regulations the performance of this product may vary from country to country. Please consult the local Product Data Sheet for the exact description of the application fields.

## ECOLOGY, HEALTH AND SAFETY

For information and advice on the safe handling, storage and disposal of chemical products, users shall refer to the most recent Material Safety Data Sheet containing physical, ecological, toxicological, and other safety-related data.

## LEGAL NOTES

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