

# PRODUCT DATA SHEET

## Sika® Plastocrete® N LB

### WATERPROOFING ADMIXTURE FOR CONCRETE

#### DESCRIPTION

Sika® Plastocrete® N LB is a concrete admixture in liquid form that acts as both a highly efficient plasticizer and as a waterproofing agent. Suitable for use in hot and tropical climatic conditions.

#### USES

Sika® Plastocrete® N LB is recommended for use in structural and mass concrete particularly for water-retaining structures wherever waterproof concrete is required such as:

- Reservoirs and dams
- Sewage treatment plants
- Canals
- Culverts
- Tunnels
- Swimming pools
- Concrete water tanks

#### PRODUCT INFORMATION

<b>Composition</b>	Modified lignosulphonate
<b>Packaging</b>	200 Kg drum, Bulk supply in tanker as 1000 kg IBCs
<b>Appearance / Colour</b>	Brown liquid
<b>Shelf life</b>	12 months from date of production if stored properly
<b>Storage conditions</b>	Store in undamaged, unopened, original sealed packaging in dry conditions at temperatures between +5 °C and +30 °C. Protect from direct sunlight and frost.
<b>Density</b>	~1.08 ± 0.015 kg/l (+25 °C)
<b>Total Chloride Ion Content</b>	Nil

#### CHARACTERISTICS / ADVANTAGES

Sika® Plastocrete® N LB provides the following properties:

- Improved workability without increased water content
- Allows easier compaction leading to denser concrete and superior finish
- Increased strength and durability
- Reduced shrinkage
- Improved water-tightness
- Chloride free

#### APPROVALS / CERTIFICATES

## TECHNICAL INFORMATION

### Concreting Guidance

The standard rules of good concreting practice for production and placing must be observed when using Sika® Plastocrete® N LB in concrete. Refer to relevant standards. Fresh concrete must be cured properly especially at high temperatures in order to prevent plastic and drying shrinkage. Use Sika® Antisol® products as a curing agent or apply wet hessian.

## APPLICATION INFORMATION

### Recommended Dosage

0.5 % by weight of binder.  
Other dosages by weight of binder can be used depending on the mix design, raw materials, climatic conditions and concrete requirements. Trial mixes must be performed to establish the exact dosage rate required.

### Compatibility

Sika® Plastocrete® N LB may be combined with all types of Portland cement (OPC and SRC), concretes containing pozzolanic materials such as GGBS, PFA, micro-silica  
We recommend performing trial mixes to establish the required performance when combining Sika® Plastocrete® N LB with the above products or other admixtures. Please consult our Sika Technical Department.

### Dispensing

Sika® Plastocrete® N LB is added to the gauging water or simultaneously poured with it into the concrete mixer at the batching plant. Do not add Sika® Plastocrete® N LB directly to the dry mix. For optimum utilization we recommend thorough mixing at a minimum wet mixing time of 60 seconds.

## IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS

Before pouring suitability tests on the fresh concrete must be carried out.

Take special care that formwork is properly installed and secured.

If frozen and/or if precipitation has occurred, it may only be used after thawing slowly at room temperature and intensive mixing.

When using Sika® Plastocrete® N LB a suitable concrete mix must be designed for the local material sources and should be trialed.

When accidental overdosing occurs the set retarding effect and workability increases. Additional air may also be entrained.

During this period the concrete must be kept moist in order to prevent premature drying out.

## 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 Safety Data Sheet (SDS) containing physical, ecological, toxicological and other safety-related data.

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## BASIS OF PRODUCT DATA

All technical data stated in this Data Sheet are based on laboratory tests. Actual measured data may vary due to circumstances beyond our control.

## LOCAL RESTRICTIONS

Note that as a result of specific local regulations the declared data and recommended uses for this product may vary from country to country. Consult the local Product Data Sheet for the exact product data and uses.

## LEGAL NOTES

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