

## PRODUCT DATA SHEET

# Sika® ViscoCrete®-2188

High Range Water-Reducing/ Superplasticizing concrete admixture

### DESCRIPTION

Sika® ViscoCrete®-2188 is a polycarboxylate based superplasticizer developed to give extended slump retention and high water reduction rate for concrete mixes.

Sika® ViscoCrete®-2188 is suitable for use in concrete mixes incorporating pozzolanic materials such as GGBS, PFA and microsilica.

### USES

Sika® ViscoCrete®-2188 is suitable for the production of site mixed as well as ready-mix concrete.

Sika® ViscoCrete®-2188 is used for concrete with extended transportation or placing time.

Sika® ViscoCrete®-2188 is mainly used for the following types of concrete:

- Self compacting concrete (S.C.C)
- Hot weather concrete and concrete with extended transportation or placing time
- Concrete requires high water reduction rate
- High strength concrete
- High water reduction and good flowability have a positive influence on the above mentioned applications

### PRODUCT INFORMATION

<b>Chemical Base</b>	Polycarboxylic polyether type polymer
<b>Packaging</b>	200 Litre / drum 1000 Litre / tank Bulk supply on demand
<b>Shelf Life</b>	12 months from date of production
<b>Storage Conditions</b>	Store properly in undamaged and unopened original sealed packaging in cool and dry conditions. Protect from direct sunlight and frost
<b>Appearance / Colour</b>	Yellowish brown liquid

### CHARACTERISTICS / ADVANTAGES

Sika® ViscoCrete®-2188 acts by different mechanisms. Through surface absorption and sterical separation effect on the cement particles, in parallel to the hydration process, the following properties are obtained:

- Suitable for the production of self compacting concrete (S.C.C)
- High water reduction (resulting in high density and strengths)
- Good flowability (resulting in highly reduced placing and compacting efforts)
- Improved shrinkage and creep behaviour
- Reduced rate of carbonation of the concrete

Sika® ViscoCrete®-2188 does not contain chloride or other steel corrosion promoting ingredients. It may therefore be used without any restriction for reinforced and prestressed concrete construction

### APPROVALS / STANDARDS

It complies with BS EN 934

<b>Specific gravity</b>	1.05 ± 0.02 kg/litre
<b>Recommended Dosage</b>	Up to 3.0% by weight of total cementitious content depends on different type of application. It is advisable to carry out trial mixes to establish the exact dosage rate required. Effects of overdosing and underdosing: Significant overdosage will result in increased workability and setting time of the concrete. Underdosage will result in reduced workability (more difficult placing) and shorter setting times (reduced workable lives). However, provided the concrete is cured effectively, ultimate strength and properties will not be affected.
<b>Dispensing</b>	Sika® ViscoCrete®-2188 is added to the gauging water or simultaneously with it poured into the concrete mixer. For optimum utilization of the high water reduction we recommended thorough mixing until homogeneous.
<b>Compatibility</b>	Sika® ViscoCrete®-2188 is compatible with all types of cementitious products. Sika® ViscoCrete®-2188 is compatible in concrete with all Sika's admixture types currently available, but must be added separately to the mix and not premixed prior.

## 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.

## 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 (MSDS) containing physical, ecological, toxicological and other safety-related data.

## LOCAL RESTRICTIONS

Please note that as a result 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.

## LEGAL NOTES

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