

SikaGrind®-421

Grinding aid and quality improver for the production of cement

Product Description	SikaGrind®-421 is a chloride free liquid additive to allow easier grinding of cement and enhance the quality of all types of cement. SikaGrind®-421 has been specifically developed to obtain cements with increased early and final strengths.
Uses	<p>SikaGrind®-421 is used in the grinding of cement to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Increase the production rate■ Improve the efficiency of the mill and separator■ Enhance the quality of the cement
Characteristics / Advantages	<p>SikaGrind®-421 is a very effective dispersant with the following characteristics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Neutralisation of electrical charges on the surface of the cement particles■ Separation of the cement particles <p><i>SikaGrind®-421 provides the following advantages in the cement production:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Higher efficiency of the plants (tons per hour) due to reduced grinding time per ton■ Higher separator efficiency due to improved dispersion■ Faster achievement of the desired cement fineness■ Reduced particle fraction > 32µ of the ground cement■ Reduced re-agglomeration of the cement particles■ Less accumulation of material on grinding equipment (grinding balls and mill)■ Cost savings due to a lower power consumption per ton■ Easier handling and minimized problems with “plugging” due to improved flow characteristics■ Improved self-levelling of the cement in the silo <p><i>SikaGrind®-421 gives the following advantages to the finished cement:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Reduced handling costs especially on pneumatic conveying systems■ Reduced risk of hydration in the silo■ Easier discharge of the silos■ Optimum cement granulometry (reduced quantity of “over-milled” particles)■ Increased strengths■ Allows economic cement design with clinker replacements■ Low water demand■ Uniform air entrainment in the stated dosage range■ Reduced brown or yellow discolorations
Tests	SikaGrind®-421 is produced in our factories under Quality management systems according to EN ISO 9001.
Self-Declaration	



Product Data

Appearance / Colour	Clear Brown liquid
Packaging	200 kg non returnable steel drum 1000 kg IBC Bulk upon request
Storage Conditions / Shelf -Life	At least 12 months in undamaged, unopened and sealed original containers when stored at temperatures between +5°C and +35°C. Protect from frost, direct sunlight and contamination. Note: When delivered in bulk, the tanks and equipment used must be free from contaminants.
Technical Data	
Chemical Base	Blend of Amines and Glycols
Density	1.10 +/- 0.03 kg/l (at +20°C)
pH Value	6.75 +/- 1
System Information	
Application Details	
Dosage	Typical dosage rates of SikaGrind®-421 are between 0.2 - 0.8 kg per ton of cement (0.02% - 0.08% of total weight = cement clinker + additions). The optimum dosage, which changes according to the properties of each clinker source, type of cement and other plant variables, should be determined in Plant trials according to the desired properties of the cement. For consistent results, SikaGrind®-421 must be accurately dispensed.
Application Conditions / Limitations	
Compatibility	Cements treated with SikaGrind®-421 are compatible in concretes produced with all commercial admixtures including air entrainers, water reducers, retarders and superplasticizers. The performance of concrete admixtures is not adversely affected by the use of SikaGrind®-421.
Application Instructions	
Dispensing	SikaGrind®-421 is added into the grinding mill (first or second compartment), onto the clinker feeding channel or sprinkled / dropped onto the clinker (raw material) on the conveyor belt. Suitable dosage pumps with adjustable flow rates should be used for accurate dosing. Note: Periodically, the end of the additive tube should be checked to ensure, that it is not blocked with cement clinker/dust.
Value Base	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.
Health and Safety Information	For information and advice on the safe handling, storage and disposal of chemical products, users should refer to the most recent Material Safety Data Sheet containing physical, ecological, toxicological and other safety-related data.

Legal Notes

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