

PRODUCT DATA SHEET

SikaFiber®-54 Force

Synthetic macro fiber for concrete and shotcrete.

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

SikaFiber®-54 Force is a macro synthetic fiber for structural use in shotcrete and concrete. Specifically engineered and manufactured in an ISO 9001 certified manufacturing facility.

USES

SikaFiber®-54 Force is suitable for the use in sprayed concrete and in-situ cast concrete to distribute stresses, increase structural properties and increase abrasion resistance. The main uses for SikaFiber®-54 Force are in the following applications:

- Excavation stabilisation in tunnelling and mining
- Rock and ground stabilisation
- Temporary stabilization
- Energy absorption
- Replacement of steel reinforcement
- Slab on grade concrete applications / industrial floors based on ground
- Precast concrete elements
- Concrete applications, requiring abrasion resistance

CHARACTERISTICS / ADVANTAGES

Improves characteristics of hardened concrete

- Highly increased energy absorption for sprayed concrete
- Crack bridging capacity, especially at large crack openings
- Increased durability due to high chemical resistance and corrosion free
- Dissipates strains in concrete and prevents structural cracking
- Increases impact and shatter resistance
- Improves load capacity and ductility
- Increases abrasion resistance
- Increases resistance to freeze-thaw attack

Replacing rebar/wire mesh in concrete

- Reduces or eliminates the traditional reinforcing
- Easier to handle
- Reduction in construction time with no cutting, chairing, placing or tying
- Homogeniously mixed throughout concrete - Always in the correct location
- Fills edges, corners and difficult shapes
- Reducing embodied carbon through the replacement of convention steel reinforcement with synthetic structural fibers.

Replacing steel fibers

- Reduced wear on concrete pumps and hoses compared to steel fibers
- No corrosion stains on surface
- Greater energy absorption at higher displacements

APPROVALS / STANDARDS

Complies with ASTM C 1116/C1116M Type III Fiber Reinforced Concrete, and ASTM D 7508/7508M

PRODUCT INFORMATION

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Chemical Base	Polyolefin
Packaging	SikaFiber®-54 Force is available in water soluble pucks packed in 8kg boxes.
Appearance / Color	Straight, white, embossed fibers
Shelf Life	5 years from date of production
Storage Conditions	The product must be stored in original, unopened and undamaged sealed packaging in dry conditions at temperatures between +5 °C and +30 °C. Always refer to packaging.
Density	0.91 kg/l
Dimensions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ length 54 mm (2.13 in) ▪ equivalent diameter 0.84 mm (0.033 in)
Melting Point	164 °C (327 °F)

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Tensile Strength	550 MPa	(ASTM D-2256)
Tensile Modulus of Elasticity	8.5 GPa	(ASTM D-2256)

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Recommended Dosage	The dosage of the SikaFiber®-54 Force will vary according to the type of application and the performance requirements of the project. Standard recommended dosage rate of SikaFiber®-54 Force is between 5–17 lbs/cu. yd. (3–10 kg/m ³) of concrete. Dosages outside the recommended dosage range can be used to meet project specific requirements. If this is the case please contact your Sika representative for technical support.
Mixing	<p>In a truck mixer SikaFiber®-54 Force can be added directly to the concrete mixing system after the batching of the ingredients and mixed for 4 to 5 minutes or 70 revolutions.</p> <p>In a concrete mixer, add the fibers with the dry aggregate taking care to evenly distribute the fibers throughout the mix.</p> <p>The addition of SikaFiber®-54 Force at the recommended dosage rates may decrease the slump; however, additional water should not be added. Only a water reducing or high range water reducing admixture should be used to adjust concrete to the desired workability.</p>

BASIS OF PRODUCT DATA

Results may differ based upon statistical variations depending upon mixing methods and equipment, temperature, application methods, test methods, actual site conditions and curing conditions.

ENVIRONMENTAL, HEALTH AND SAFETY

For further information and advice regarding transportation, handling, storage and disposal of chemical products, user should refer to the actual Safety Data Sheets containing physical, environmental,

toxicological and other safety related data. User must read the current actual Safety Data Sheets before using any products. In case of an emergency, call CHEMTREC at 1-800-424-9300, International 703-527-3887.

OTHER RESTRICTIONS

See Legal Disclaimer.

LEGAL DISCLAIMER

- KEEP CONTAINER TIGHTLY CLOSED
- KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN
- NOT FOR INTERNAL CONSUMPTION
- FOR INDUSTRIAL USE ONLY
- FOR PROFESSIONAL USE ONLY

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