MasterPolyheed® 1020
Mid-Range Water-Reducing Admixture

Description
MasterPolyheed 1020 admixture is a patent-pending ready-to-use mid-range water-reducing admixture. MasterPolyheed 1020 admixture, is very effective in producing concrete with different levels of workability and with enhanced finishing characteristics. MasterPolyheed 1020 admixture meets ASTM C 494/C 494M requirements for Type A, water-reducing, and Type F, high-range water-reducing, admixtures.

Applications
Recommended for use in:
- All concrete applications where superior workability, pumpability and finishing qualities are desired, in particular, flatwork, pumped concrete and pervious concrete
- Concrete containing manufactured sand and harsh concrete mixtures

Features
- Based on MasterGlenium® technology
- Dosage flexibility - provides up to 20% water reduction
- Reduced water content for a given level of workability
- Provides better slump retention
- Provides excellent workability
- Enhanced later-age strength
- Excellent finishability, even with manufactured sands and in lean mixtures

Benefits
- Can be used in a wide variety of concrete mixtures as a multi-purpose admixture meeting the performance requirements for ASTM Type A or Type F admixtures
- Faster setting at higher dosages compared to other mid-range water-reducing admixtures
- Enhanced flowability, strength and durability
- Reduces effort required to finish
- Lowers in-place cost
- Increases service life of structures

Performance Characteristics
Setting Time: Concrete produced with MasterPolyheed 1020 admixture sets faster than a mixture containing a typical mid-range water-reducing admixture.

Mixture Data: 517 lb/yd³ (307 kg/m³) of Type I/II cement; slump 5 in. (125 mm); non-air entrained concrete; Admixture dosage adjusted for 8% water reduction.

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**Compressive Strength:** Concrete produced with MasterPolyheed 1020 admixture achieves higher compressive strength at later ages compared to plain concrete and concrete mixtures produced with a typical mid-range water-reducing admixture.

**Mixture Data:** 517 lb/yd³ (307 kg/m³) of Type I/II cement; slump 5 in. (125mm); non-air-entrained concrete; Admixture dosage adjusted for 12% water reduction.

**Compressive Strength, psi (MPa)**

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<td>1760 (12.1)</td>
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<td>5370 (37.0)</td>
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*Mid-Range Water-Reducer

Note: The data shown are based upon controlled laboratory tests. Reasonable variations from the results shown here may be experienced as a result of differences in concrete making materials and jobsite conditions.

**Guidelines for Use**

**Dosage:** MasterPolyheed 1020 admixture has a recommended dosage range of 3 to 12 fl oz/cwt (195 to 780 mL/100 kg) of cementitious materials for most concrete mixtures. A dosage range of 3 to 5 fl oz/cwt (195 to 325 mL/100 kg) is typical for Type A applications and up to 12 fl oz/cwt (780 mL/100 kg) for mid-range and high-range applications. Because of variations in concrete materials, job site conditions, and/or applications, dosages outside of the recommended range may be required. In such cases, contact your local sales representative.

**Mixing:** MasterPolyheed 1020 admixture can be added with the initial batch water or at the end of the batching sequence.

**Product Notes**

**Corrosivity – Non-Chloride, Non-Corrosive:** MasterPolyheed 1020 admixture will neither initiate nor promote corrosion of reinforcing or prestressing steel embedded in concrete, or of galvanized steel floor and roof systems. Neither calcium chloride nor other chloride-based ingredients are used in the manufacture of MasterPolyheed 1020 admixture.

**Compatibility:** MasterPolyheed 1020 admixture is compatible with most admixtures and can be used in combination with other BASF admixtures, unless stated otherwise. When used in conjunction with other admixtures, each admixture must be dispensed separately into the concrete mixture.

MasterPolyheed 1020 admixture is designed to be used with MasterAir® VR 10 and MasterAir AE 90 air-entraining admixtures when the production of air-entrained concrete is desired. Do not use MasterPolyheed 1020 admixture in combination with naphthalene-based admixtures. Erratic performance in slump may be experienced.

**Storage and Handling**

**Storage Temperature:** MasterPolyheed 1020 admixture should be stored between 35 and 105 °F (2 and 41 °C). If MasterPolyheed 1020 admixture freezes, thaw at 40 °F (5 °C) or above and completely reconstitute using mild mechanical agitation. Do not use pressurized air for agitation.

**Shelf Life:** MasterPolyheed 1020 admixture has a minimum shelf life of 12 months. Depending on storage conditions, the shelf life may be greater than stated. Please contact your local sales representative regarding suitability for use and dosage recommendations if the shelf life of PolyHeed 1020 admixture has been exceeded.

**Dispensing:** Consult your local sales representative for the proper dispensing equipment for MasterPolyheed 1020 admixture.
Packaging
MasterPolyheed 1020 admixture is supplied in 55 gal (208 L) drums, 275 gal (1040 L) totes, and by bulk delivery.

Related Documents
Safety Data Sheets: MasterPolyheed 1020 admixture

Additional Information
For additional information on MasterPolyheed 1020 admixture or its use in developing concrete mixtures with special performance characteristics, contact your local sales representative.

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