Expanplast* SLX Powder

Powder accelerator for sprayed concrete

Uses
Expanplast* SLX Powder is used to provide a rapid set to sprayed concrete. This improves overhead spraying, permits thicker build in one pass and provides early support strength.

Advantages
Rapid set  Allows faster build and permits rapid overhead spraying.
Economic  Minimizes rebound loss.
Tolerant  Can allow spraying on surfaces subject to water ingress.

Description
Expanplast* SLX Powder is a fine chloride free white powder which when added to a cement/aggregate dry mix and with the addition of water gives an accelerated set to the sprayed concrete.

Technical support
Epanchem Fospak provides a technical advisory service for on-site assistance and advise on admixture selection, evaluation trials and dispensing equipment. Technical data and guidance can be provided for admixtures and other products for use with fresh and hardened concrete.

Typical dosage
Typical rate of addition is 2 kg of Expanplast* SLX Powder/100kg of cement. The optimum rate should be found by site trials.

Packaging
Expanplast* SLX Powder is supplied in 15 kg bags.

Instructions For Use
Application
Expanplast* SLX Powder is added direct to the blending hopper containing the mixed cement and aggregate. The accelerator only begins to work once water is added at the nozzle.

Caution
If moisture content of aggregate is above 3%, Expanplast SLX Powder should be added and blended immediately prior to spraying

Overdosing
Expanplast* SLX Powder can be used at rates up to 6kg/100kg cement. Overdosing may lead to setting before the concrete reaches the surface. The long term strength of an accelerated mix may not attain control strength if high dosage is used.

Storage
Expanplast* SLX Powder has a minimum shelf life of 12 months provided the temperature is kept within the range of 2°C to 50°C. Should the temperature of the product fall outside this range then the Epanchem Fospak Technical Services Department should be contacted for advice.

Precautions
Health and safety
Expanplast* SLX Powder does not fall into the hazard classifications of current regulations. However, it should not be swallowed or allowed to come into contact with skin and eyes. Suitable protective gloves and goggles should be worn.

In case of contact with skin should be removed with water. In case of contact with eyes rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advise. If swallowed, seek medical attention immediately - do not induce vomiting. For further information consult the Material Safety Data Sheet available for this product.

Fire
Expanplast* SLX Powder is non-flammable.

Cleaning and disposal
The disposal of excess or waste material should be carried out in accordance with local legislation under the guidance of the local waste regulatory authority.
Properties

Set time and rate of early strength gain.

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Mix 3.1 sand: cement by wt. 0.45 water/cement ratio

Development of penetration resistance using BS 4551 method

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