

Product Data Cast-in-Place Concrete Precast Concrete Mass Concrete

## Description

Delvo Stabilizer ready-to-use, liquid admixture is used for making more uniform and predictable high-performance concrete. Delvo Stabilizer admixture retards setting time by controlling the hydration of portland cement and other cementitious materials while facilitating placing and finishing operations. It can be used to stabilize returned plastic concrete and concrete washwater to reduce waste and increase profits. Delvo Stabilizer admixture meets ASTM C 494/C 494M requirements for Type B, retarding, and Type D, water-reducing and retarding, admixtures.

## Applications

Recommended for use in:

- Stabilization of concrete washwater
- Stabilization of returned plastic concrete
- Stabilization of freshly batched concrete for long hauls
- 4x4<sup>™</sup> Concrete
- Pumped concrete, shotcrete (wet mix) and conventionally-placed concrete
- Plain, reinforced, precast, prestressed, lightweight and normal weight concrete
- Pervious concrete

# **DELVO® STABILIZER**

Hydration Controlling Admixture

#### Features

- Reduced water content required for a given workability
- Retarded setting time characteristics
- Improved workability
- Reduced segregation

#### Benefits

- Provides flexibility in the scheduling of placing and finishing operations
- Offsets the effects of slump loss during extended delays between mixing and placing
- Reduces waste associated with concrete washwater and returned concrete
- Increased strength compressive and flexural

### **Performance Characteristics**

*Rate of Hardening:* The temperature of a concrete mixture and the ambient temperature (forms, earth, air, etc.) affect the hardening rate of concrete. At higher temperatures, concrete hardens more rapidly which may cause problems with placing and finishing.

One of the functions of Delvo Stabilizer admixture is to retard the set of concrete. Within the normal dosage range, it will generally extend the working and setting times of concrete containing normal portland cement, fly ash, slag cement and silica fume approximately 1 hour to 5 hours compared to a plain concrete mixture. This depends on job materials and temperatures. Trial mixes should be made under approximate job conditions to determine the dosage required.

**Compressive Strength:** Concrete produced with Delvo Stabilizer admixture will develop higher early (within 24 hours) and higher ultimate strengths than plain concrete when used within the recommended dosage range and under normal, comparable curing conditions. When Delvo Stabilizer admixture is used in heat-cured concrete, the length of the preheating period should be increased until the initial set of the concrete is achieved. The actual heat-curing period is then reduced accordingly to maintain existing production cycles without sacrificing early or ultimate strengths.

### **Guidelines for Use**

**Dosage:** Delvo Stabilizer admixture is recommended for use at a dosage of  $4 \pm 1$  fl oz/cwt (260  $\pm$  65 mL/100 kg) of cementitious materials for most concrete mixtures using average concrete ingredients. Because of variations in job conditions and concrete materials, dosages other than the recommended amounts may be required. In such cases, contact your BASF Construction Chemicals representative. For concrete washwater and returned concrete stabilization, utilize Delvo charts or the Delvomatic<sup>TM</sup> software to determine the appropriate dosage rates.



## **Product Notes**

**Corrosivity – Non-Chloride, Non-Corrosive:** Delvo Stabilizer admixture will neither initiate nor promote corrosion of reinforcing steel in concrete. This admixture does not contain intentionally-added calcium chloride or other chloride-based ingredients.

**Compatibility:** Delvo Stabilizer admixture may be used in combination with any BASF Construction Chemicals admixture. When used in conjunction with another admixture, each admixture must be dispensed separately into the mix.

## **Storage and Handling**

**Storage Temperature:** If Delvo Stabilizer admixture freezes, thaw at 35 °F (2 °C) or above and completely reconstitute by mild mechanical agitation. **Do not use pressurized air for agitation**.

**Shelf Life:** Delvo Stabilizer admixture has a minimum shelf life of 12 months. Depending on storage conditions, the shelf life may be greater than stated. Please contact your BASF Construction Chemicals representative regarding suitability for use and dosage recommendations if the shelf life of Delvo Stabilizer admixture has been exceeded.

# Packaging

Delvo Stabilizer admixture is supplied in specially designed 55 gal (208 L) drums, 275 gal (1040 L) totes and by bulk delivery.

## **Related Documents**

Material Safety Data Sheets: Delvo Stabilizer admixture.

### **Additional Information**

For more information on Delvo Stabilizer admixture, contact your BASF Construction Chemicals representative.

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