

CEMTEC WRA

WATER REDUCING AND PLASTICIZING ADMIXTURE FOR CONCRETE (ASTM C-494 TYPE A)



DESCRIPTION

CEMTEC WRA admixture is a ready-to-use aqueous solution of highly purified lignosulfonates and a catalyst which promotes a more rapid and complete hydration of cement. It does not contain chlorides. Ingredients are factory premixed in exact proportions to minimize handling and eliminate mistakes and guesswork. Its specific gravity is 1.14.

FEATURES & ADVANTAGES

The use of **CEMTEC WRA** produces a plastic concrete that is more workable, easier to place and more finishable than plain concrete or concrete treated with other admixtures. In the hardened state, **CEMTEC WRA** concrete has higher compressive and flexural strengths at all ages than an untreated or conventionally admixed concrete.

This gives the following advantages:

- Water reduction provides strength increases of 15 - 30% at all ages.
- Economy in mixing due to improvement in strength.
- Reduced permeability of the hardened concrete.

AT the same water/ cement ratio:

- Better control of hydration provides strength increase 10 - 20% at all ages.
- Improved concrete flow and slump 3 - 6 cm over an untreated mix. Better vibration response and finish.

BASIC USES

CEMTEC WRA makes a workable mix with up to 12% less water. And gives a stronger, less permeable, more durable concrete. It is used in ready-mix plants, block and concrete products plants, in lightweight and prestressed work. Wherever concrete is produced. It is also used by contractors in field equipment such as job site plants and pavers.

CHEMICAL ACTION

As a dispersing agent, **CEMTEC WRA** lessens the natural interparticle attraction between cement grains in water. It does this by colloidal action, which forms a coating on the cement particles. This reduces their tendency to clump together, and makes the mix more workable with less water. As a cement catalyst, **CEMTEC WRA** speeds hydration of the particles and counteracts the normal retarding effect of a dispersing agent alone.

CEMTEC WRA increases the rate of formation of gel, the paste or binder that "glues" concrete aggregates together.

The increased gel content adds to the water retention and internal cohesiveness of the mix, reducing bleeding and segregation as it increases workability and placeability.

ADDITION RATE:

Excellent results are obtained using an addition rate of 0.2 to 0.4 lbs./100 kgs. cement depending on job conditions.

DISPENSING EQUIPMENTS:

A complete line of accurate, automatic dispensing equipment is available. **CEMTEC WRA** may be introduced to the mix on the sand or in the water.

COMPATIBILITY WITH OTHER ADMIXTURE

Cemtec WRA is compatible in concrete with all air entraining admixtures. Due to the slight air entraining properties of **CEMTEC WRA** itself, the addition rate may be reduced by 1/2 to 2/3, by combining the separate effects of air entrainment and dispersion the water requirement of concrete may be reduced up to 20%. **EACH ADMIXTURE SHOULD BE ADDED SEPARATELY.** While **CEMTEC WRA** contains no chlorides it is compatible with calcium chlorides in concrete mixes, again each should be added separately.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Typical Engineering Data : the following results were developed under laboratory conditions.
Mix Design

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| Cement content (opc) | - 307 kg/m ³ |
| Coarser aggregate | - 64 % |
| Finer aggregate | - 36% |

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| COVERAGE | Contact CMCI Tech Dept |
| PACKAGING | CEMTEC WRA is available in 210 ltr drums, 1000 ltrs tanks in 10,000 ltr bulk tanks. |
| COLOR | Contact CMCI Tech Dept. |

COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH

| Age | Specification Control (% of Control) | Cemtec WRA mix (% of control) | |
|----------------|--|-----------------------------------|-----|
| 3 days min 110 | 100 | 117 | |
| 7 days min 110 | 100 | 116 | |
| 28 days | min 110 | 100 | 112 |

ENGINEERING SPECIFICATION FOR CONCRETE WATER REDUCING ADMIXTURE

Concrete shall be designed in accordance with ACI Standard Recommended Practice for Selecting Proportions for Concrete (ACI 211-70). The water reducing admixture shall be CEMTEC WRA as manufactured by Construction Material Chemical Industries or equal. The admixture shall not contain chlorides. It shall be used in strict accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations. The admixture shall comply with ASTM Designation C 494, Type A water reducing admixtures. Certification of compliance shall be made available on request. The admixture shall be considered as part of the total water. The admixture shall be delivered as a ready-to-use liquid product and shall require no mixing at the batching plant or job site.

Quality Statement

CMCI manufactures its products at their manufacturing facility in Saudi Arabia as per the Quality Procedures certified to conform with quality Management System described in ISO 9000 series

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