

PRODUCT DATA SHEET

SikaFiber®-142

(formerly MasterFiber® 142)

POLYPROPYLENE MACRO FIBRES FOR CONCRETE AND SHOTCRETE

DESCRIPTION

SikaFiber®-142 is a fiber extruded from polypropylene. It is formed into an embossed fiber that can be used in concrete mixes for both sprayed and cast in-situ applications. The inclusion of fibers in a concrete mix will contribute to improving the durability of concrete by increased crack propagation resistance and by its energy absorption characteristics. The fibers will disperse uniformly throughout the concrete mix and effectively act as an anchoring mechanism within the cement matrix thereby improving the toughness and ductility of the material.

SikaFiber®-142 can maximize concrete service life by providing superior resistance to attack from damaging environmental elements such as water, chlorides, and corrosive environments such as sewerage conduits and/or saline water.

USES

- Wet shotcrete applications in tunneling or mining applications
- Any subsurface construction
- Any structure where impact toughness shall be increased

PRODUCT INFORMATION

Chemical Base	Polypropylene
Packaging	1 pallet of SikaFiber®-142 is made up of 475kg (95 x 5kg boxes). SikaFiber®-142 is wrapped in water-soluble PVA to form bundles.
Shelf Life	48 months from date of production
Storage Conditions	The product must be stored in original, unopened and undamaged sealed packaging in dry conditions away from humidity and direct sunlight.
Appearance / Colour	Straight colourless embossed fibres
Length	56 mm±10%

CHARACTERISTICS / ADVANTAGES

- Easy to dose either at the batch plant or on site concrete mixer truck prior to application
- Minor impact on flow & slump properties of fresh concrete
- High resistance to acid/alkalis attack suitable for use in wet underground conditions and subsurface constructions exposed to damp conditions
- Reduces construction time compared to a solution with conventional reinforcement

APPROVALS / STANDARDS

SikaFiber®-142 complies with EN 14889-2 Class II and ASTM C1116 / C1116M.

Width	~1.20mm ± 10%
Cross section	Rectangular
Thickness	~0.60mm ± 10%
Density	~900 kg/m ³
Melting Point	~170°C

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Tensile Strength	500-540 N/mm ² (MPa)	(EN 14889-2)
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BASIS OF PRODUCT DATA

- All technical data stated in this Product Data Sheet are based on laboratory tests. Actual measured data may vary due to circumstances beyond our control.

LIMITATIONS

- The addition of fibers to a concrete might decrease its consistency. This should not be compensated by adding water to the mix. The recommendation is to optimize the mix either by adapting the mix design or by adding a superplasticizer. The mechanical performance of fibers is influenced by the concrete mix design and cementitious materials used. In order to evaluate properly preliminary tests under practical conditions with regard to mixing, placing and curing are advisable.
- Partial or total replacement of steel reinforcement by fibres must be designed by an appropriately qualified Engineer. Contact Sika Technical Service for additional information.
- It is recommended that where automated fiber dosing systems are utilized, that they be checked for suitability and calibrated accordingly.

ECOLOGY, HEALTH AND SAFETY

For information and advice on the safe handling, storage and disposal of chemical products, users shall refer to the most recent Material Safety Data Sheet containing physical, ecological, toxicological and other safety-related data.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Add SikaFiber®-142 to the concrete mixer after water and admixtures. After addition of the fibers mix for at least 2-3 minutes to ensure even distribution of fibers within the concrete mix.

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LOCAL RESTRICTIONS

Please note that as a result of specific local regulations the performance of this product may vary from country to country. Please consult the local Product Data Sheet for the exact description of the application fields.

LEGAL NOTES

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