

# Flocrete SP42

High range concrete superplasticiser admixture



## DESCRIPTION

Flocrete SP42 is a high performance liquid concrete admixture formulated from selected polymers specially designed to enable the water content of the concrete to perform more effectively.

This effect can be used to improve workability and to increase ultimate strengths by the very high levels of water reduction in the concrete mix.

## APPLICATIONS

- » To increase workability retention of fresh concrete.
- » To provide increased ultimate strength by reducing water demand in concrete mixes.
- » To produce high quality concrete of improved durability by reducing permeability.

## ADVANTAGES

- » Higher strength with same cement content.
- » Minimising segregation problems by improving cohesion.
- » Improved workability reduces placing and compaction problems.
- » Cement saving without affecting strength.
- » More durable concrete as a result of reduction in permeability and lower water to cement ratio.
- » Chloride free.

## COMPATIBILITY

Flocrete SP42 is suitable for use with all types of Portland cement and cement replacement materials. Flocrete SP42 is compatible with other DCP's admixtures used in the same concrete mix.

If more than one type of admixture is to be used in the concrete mix, they must be dispensed into the mix separately.

## STANDARDS

Flocrete SP42 complies with ASTM C494, Types F and G, depending on dosage used.

## METHOD OF USE

Flocrete SP42 should be added to the concrete with the mixing water to achieve optimum performance.

An automatic dispenser should be used to dispense the correct quantity of Flocrete SP42 to the concrete mix.

## TECHNICAL PROPERTIES @ 25°C:

Colour:	Brown liquid
Freezing point:	≈ -2°C
Specific gravity:	1.19 - 1.22
Chloride content: BS 5075	Nil
Air entrainment:	Typically less than 2% additional air is entrained above control mix at normal dosages

## DOSAGE

The recommended dosage of Flocrete SP42 is 0.80 - 2.00 litre per 100 kg of cementitious materials in the mix, including GGBFS, PFA or microsilica.

Representative trials should be conducted to determine the optimum dosage of Flocrete SP42 to meet the performance requirements by using the materials and conditions in actual use.

## EFFECTS OF OVER DOSAGE

Overdosage of Flocrete SP42 will cause the following:

- » Significant increase in retardation.
- » Increase in workability.

Ultimate concrete strength will not be adversely affected and will generally be increased provided that proper concrete curing is maintained.

## SETTING TIME

Although the setting time is dependent on the dosage of Flocrete SP42, the following factors should be considered:

- Retardation is increased with lower levels of tri-calcium in the cement.
- Lower temperatures will delay the setting time.
- SRC cement gives higher retardation level than ordinary cement.
- Using more than one type of admixture in the same concrete mix could affect the setting time.
- Retardation level is increased when cement replacement materials are used in the concrete mix.

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## CLEANING

Clean Flocrete SP42 with fresh cold water.

## PACKAGING

Flocrete SP42 is available in 25 litre pails, 210 litre drums and 1000 litre bulks supply.

## STORAGE

Flocrete SP42 has a shelf life of 12 months from date of manufacture if stored at temperatures between 2°C and 50°C.

If these conditions are exceeded, contact DCP Technical Department for advice.

## CAUTIONS

### HEALTH AND SAFETY

Flocrete SP42 is not classified as a hazardous material. Flocrete SP42 should not come into contact with skin and eyes.

In case of contact with eyes, immediately flush with plenty of water and seek medical attention.

For further information, refer to the Material Safety Data Sheet.

### FIRE

Flocrete SP42 is nonflammable.

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