

## PRODUCT DATA SHEET

# SikaPlast®-3600 LH

### HIGH PERFORMANCE WATER REDUCING AND RETARDING CONCRETE ADMIXTURE

### **DESCRIPTION**

SikaPlast®-3600 LH is a third generation polycarboxylate based superplasticizer for concrete. It has been developed for use in ready mixed concrete giving extended slump retention and high strength development for normal grade concrete mixes.

SikaPlast®-3600 LH is suitable for use in concrete mixes containing microsilica and other pozzolanic materials like GGBS and fly ash.

Suitable for use in hot and tropical climatic conditions.

## **USES**

SikaPlast®-3600 LH facilitates high water reduction, excellent flowability with optimum cohesion and impressive slump retention characteristics. SikaPlast®-3600 LH is used for the following types of concrete:

- Foundations
- Walls
- Columns and piers
- Piles
- Slabs
- Pre-stressed concrete
- Bridges and cantilever structures

## **CHARACTERISTICS / ADVANTAGES**

SikaPlast®-3600 LH acts by surface absorption on the cement particles producing steric hindrance as well as electrostatic repulsion between cement particles which results in higher dispersion, flow and retention. SikaPlast®-3600 LH provides the following beneficial properties:

- Substantial improvement in workability without increased water
- Low risk of segregation
- Normal set without retardation (within the dosage limit)
- Improved density and surface finish
- Improved water tightness
- Excellent solution for continuous concrete casting of deep elements
- Does not contain chlorides or other steel corrosion promoting ingredients therefore may be used for reinforced and pre-stressed concrete construction

## **APPROVALS / CERTIFICATES**

SikaPlast®-3600 LH follows the requirements of ASTM C494; Type G and EN 934-2

## PRODUCT INFORMATION

| Composition         | Aqueous solution of modified polycarboxylates and copolymers   |
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| Packaging           | 1000 L flowbin<br>Bulk delivery in tanker trucks is possible on request.   |
| Appearance / Colour | Light brown to brown liquid  |
| Shelf life          | 12 months from date of production if stored properly   |
| Storage conditions  | Store in undamaged, unopened, original sealed packaging in dry conditions at temperatures between +5°C and +45°C. Protect from direct sunlight and frost |
| Density             | ~1.07 kg/l   |

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Total chloride ion content (EN 934-2) Nil

## **TECHNICAL INFORMATION**

| Concreting guidance | The standard rules of good concreting practice for production and placing |
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|                     | must be observed when using SikaPlast®-3600 LH in concrete. Refer to rel- |
|                     | evant standards.  |
|                     | Fresh concrete must be sured properly consciolly at high temperatures in  |

Fresh concrete must be cured properly especially at high temperatures in order to prevent plastic and drying shrinkage. Use Sika® Antisol® products as a curing agent or apply wet hessian.

## **APPLICATION INFORMATION**

| Recommended dosage | 0.8 - 2.0 % by weight of binder Higher dosages up to 2.0 % by weight of binder can be used depending on the mix design, raw materials, climatic conditions and concrete require- ments. Trial mixes must be performed to establish the exact dosage rate required.   |
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| Compatibility      | SikaPlast®-3600 LH may be combined with all types of Portland cement and the following Sika products:  SikaPump® Sika® FerroGard®-901 SikaFume® Sika-Aer® Sika-Aer® Sika® Control-40 (stabilizer) Sika®-WT 1 We recommend to perform trial mixes to establish the required performance when combined with the above products. Please consult our Sika Technical Department.  |
| Dispensing         | SikaPlast®-3600 LH is added to the gauging water or simultaneously poured with it into the concrete mixer at the batching plant.  Do not add SikaPlast®-3600 LH directly to the dry mix.  For optimum utilization of its high water reduction property we recommend thorough mixing at a minimal wet mixing time of 60 seconds. The addition of the remaining gauging water (to fine tune concrete consistency) may only be started after two-thirds of the wet mixing time to avoid surplus water in the concrete.  |
| Restrictions       | When using SikaPlast®-3600 LH a mix design must be selected for the local material sources used and trial mixes performed to verify suitability. If frozen and/or if precipitation has occurred, it may only be used after thawing slowly at room temperature and intensive mixing. SikaPlast®-3600 LH should not be added to dry cement. Before pouring, suitability tests on the fresh concrete must be carried out. Due to the extended workability take special care that formwork is properly installed and secured. In case the setting time of concrete is extended, if cured properly, other properties may not be affected and higher ultimate strength is visualized. SikaPlast® products are not compatible with admixtures based on sulfonated napthalene or melamine. |



## **BASIS OF PRODUCT DATA**

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

## **ECOLOGY, HEALTH AND SAFETY**

User must read the most recent corresponding Safety Data Sheets before using any products. For information and advice on the safe handling, storage and disposal of chemical products, users shall refer to the most recent Safety Data Sheet (SDS) containing physical, ecological, toxicological and other safety-related data.

### LOCAL RESTRICTIONS

Note that as a result of specific local regulations the declared data and recommended uses for this product may vary from country to country. Consult the local Product Data Sheet for exact product data and uses.

#### **LEGAL NOTES**

The information, and, in particular, the recommendations relating to the application and end-use of Sika products, are given in good faith based on Sika's current knowledge and experience of the products when properly stored, handled and applied under normal conditions in accordance with Sika's recommendations. In practice, the differences in materials, substrates and actual site conditions are such that no warranty in respect of merchantability or of fitness for a particular purpose, nor any liability arising out of any legal relationship whatsoever, can be inferred either from this information, or from any written recommendations, or from any other advice offered. The user of the product must test the product's suitability for the intended application and purpose. Sika reserves the right to change the properties of its products. The proprietary rights of third parties must be observed. All orders are accepted subject to our current terms of sale and delivery. Users must always refer to the most recent issue of the local Product Data Sheet for the product concerned, copies of which will be supplied on request.

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