

## PRODUCT DATA SHEET

# Sika® ViscoCrete® GL 3343

Water reducing and retarding superplasticizing admixture for concrete.

### DESCRIPTION

SikaViscocrete® GL 3343 is part of a range of latest generation superplasticizers engineered for ready-mix concrete. SikaViscocrete® GL 3343 is based on unique polymers with long lateral chains. This greatly improves cement dispersion. At the start of the mixing process the same electrostatic dispersion occurs but the presence of the lateral chains, linked to the polymer backbone, generate a steric hindrance which stabilises the cement particles capacity to separate and disperse. This mechanism provides flowable concrete with greatly reduced water demand. Suitable for use in hot and tropical climatic conditions.

- Excellent solution for continuous concrete casting of deep elements
- Does not contain chlorides or other steel corrosion

### CERTIFICATES AND TEST REPORTS

SikaViscocrete® GL 3343 follows the requirements of ASTM C494; Type G and EN 934-2

### USES

Sika® ViscoCrete® GL 3343 is used the production of high-quality ready-mix concrete where high workability retention with high early strength is required.

Uses include, but are not limited to:

- Ready mixed concrete
- High flow concrete
- Concrete with high water reduction
- Slabs
- Foundations
- Walls
- Columns and piers
- Piles
- Pre-stressed concrete
- Bridges and cantilever structures

### FEATURES

SikaViscocrete® GL 3343 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

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## PRODUCT INFORMATION

Composition	Aqueous solution of modified polycarboxylates.
Packaging	Bulk, 1000 litre Container, 200 litre Drum, 25 litre Keg.
Colour	Dark Brown.
Shelf life	12 months minimum from production date if stored properly in original unopened, sealed and undamaged packaging.
Storage conditions	Product should be stored properly in original unopened, sealed and undamaged packaging. Store in a dry area between 5°C and 35 °C. Protect from direct sunlight
Density	1.07 +/- 0.01.
pH-Value	4.50+/- 1.
Concreting guidance	The standard rules of good concreting practice for production and placing must be observed when using SikaViscocrete® GL 3343 in concrete. Refer to relevant standards. 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.
Recommended dosage	0.8 - 2.5 % by weight of binder Other dosages by weight of binder can be used depending on the mix design, raw materials, climatic conditions and concrete requirements. Trial mixes must be performed to establish the exact dosage rate required.
Compatibility	<p>SikaViscocrete® GL 3343 is suitable for mixes containing all types of cement and supplementary cementitious materials such as: Microsilica (Silica Fume), Fly Ash (PFA), GGBS (Ground Granulated Blast Furnace Slag) and the following Sika products:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ SikaPump®</li><li>▪ Sika® FerroGard®</li><li>▪ SikaFume®</li><li>▪ SikaFiber®</li><li>▪ Sika® Aer</li><li>▪ Sika® Stabilizer</li><li>▪ SikaControl®</li></ul> <p>We recommend to perform trial mixes to establish the required performance when combining SikaViscocrete® GL 3343 with the above products or other admixtures.</p> <p>Please consult our Sika Technical Department.</p>
Dispensing	SikaViscocrete® GL 3343 is a ready-to-use admixture to be added to the concrete as a separate component. Optimal result is obtained if SikaViscocrete® GL 3343 is poured into the concrete mix right after the addition of the first 80% of the mixing water, i.e. when all solids are wetted. Avoid adding the admixture to the dry aggregates.

## 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

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.

## LEGAL NOTES

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