

# MasterGlenium<sup>®</sup> ACE 8502

High-range superplasticiser for precast manufacturing

## DESCRIPTION

**MasterGlenium ACE 8502** is an advanced polycarboxylic ether (PCE) based superplasticiser developed to achieve high early strength ideally suited for the precast industry where highest durability and performance are demanded. With specifically tailored constitution of the active material, **MasterGlenium ACE 8502** shows excellent dispersion of cement and still provides extended slump retention even at low water binder ratio.

The superior development of early strength with **MasterGlenium ACE 8502** allows for zero or minimum accelerated heat curing processes in precast manufacturing. **MasterGlenium ACE 8502** is compatible with all Portland cements meeting international standards and is formulated to comply with ASTM C494 for Type F admixtures. **MasterGlenium ACE 8502** is not to be used with sulphonated polymer-based admixtures.

## CHEMISTRY AND MECHANISM

**MasterGlenium ACE 8502** is differentiated from conventional superplasticisers in that it is based on a unique polycarboxylate ether polymer with long lateral chains. This greatly improves cement dispersion. Conventional superplasticisers, such as those based on sulphonated melamine and naphthalene formaldehyde condensates, at the time of mixing, become absorbed onto the surface of the cement particles. This absorption takes place at a very early stage in the hydration process. The sulphonic groups of the polymer chains increase the negative charge on the surface of the cement particle and dispersion of the cement occurs by electrostatic repulsion.

At the start of the mixing process the same electrostatic dispersion occurs as described previously, 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.

## FEATURES AND BENEFITS

**MasterGlenium ACE 8502** offers the following benefits for the precast concrete industry:

- Produce rheoplastic and self-consolidating concrete using low w/c ratio
- Optimize curing cycle by shortening curing time or decreasing curing temperature
- Eliminate heat curing processes
- Eliminate energy required for placing, consolidation and curing
- Improve surface appearance and concrete quality
- Produce durable precast concrete elements
- As compared to the traditional superplasticisers, improve engineering properties such as early and ultimate compressive and flexural strengths

**MasterGlenium ACE 8502** may also be used for certain ready-mix concrete application, typically in synergy with a retarder.

## APPLICATION

**MasterGlenium ACE 8502** is a liquid admixture to be added to the concrete during the mixing process. The best results are obtained when the admixture is added after all the other components are already in the mixer and after the addition of at least 80% of the total water.

## DOSAGE

The normally recommended dosage rate is 0.8 to 1.5 litres per 100 kg of binder. Other dosages may be used in special cases according to specific job site conditions. In this case please consult our MBCC Group representative.

## PACKAGING

**MasterGlenium ACE 8502** is available in bulk and 205L drums.

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## SHELF LIFE

**MasterGlenium ACE 8502** must be stored in a place where the temperature is not below 0°C. In case the product freezes, increase the temperature of the product to 30°C and remix.

## PRECAUTIONS

Health: **MasterGlenium ACE 8502** does not contain any hazardous substances requiring labelling.

It is safe for use with standard precautions followed in the construction industry, such as use of hand gloves, safety goggles, etc.

For detailed Health, Safety and Environmental Recommendations, please consult and follow all instructions on the product Material Safety Data Sheet.

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