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## **SIKA WINTERMIX**



Colour	Product Code	Pack Size	Box Qty
Clear Amber	SKWINT5	5ltr	4

## **Product Description**

Sika Wintermix is air entraining **chloride free** liquid admixture for mortar and concrete which also acts as an accelerator for work in sub - zero temperatures. Improves workability and freeze/thaw resistance in brick laying mortars and eliminates the need for a separate frostproofer. Conforms to EN934-3 (2009).

#### **Benefits**

- Increased frost resistance during setting.
- Non corrosive to imbedded metal (chloride ion free)
- Eases tamping down and alignment
- Improves workability/trowelability even in cold weather.
- Provides resistance to freeze/thaw cycling down to -8°C in both wet and dry mortar.
- Chloride free (chloride ion content < 0.1%).
- Reduces bleeding/segregation.
- Replaces lime in mix, hence reduces possibility of lime bloom and efflorescence.
- Reduces shrinkage (cracking and crazing reduced).
- Faster finishing times even in cold weather.

#### **Areas For Use**

As an air entraining water reducing admixture and accelerator/frostproofer for brick and block laying mortar, render (internal and external) and concrete. Accelerates setting time during cold periods. Suitable for:

- Load bearing brickwork
- Block laying
- External/Internal rendering
- Pointing/repointing brickwork.
- Floor screeds

#### Limitations

- Concrete must be covered after placing until the minimum strength is obtained or until the temperature rises above freezing.
- Do not use weak mixes during cold weather.
- Do not overdose.



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## **Surface Preparation**

All materials used must be free from ice and the temperature of the mix prior to placing not be less than 4°C. Concrete must be covered after placing until the minimum strength is obtained or until the temperature rises above freezing. Do not use weak mixes during cold weather.

## **Application**

Work should be carried out in accordance with the methods outlined in the Code of Practice BS5628 Part 3 for protection and use of mortars at low temperatures and DOE Advisory Leaflet No. 8. In all cases, add to mix at an addition rate of 2.5 to 5 litres per 50kg cement depending on the degree of plasticising/acceleration required. Note: remember to reduce required quantity of water accordingly. Alternatively, add to mixing drum at same time as water.

The following are examples of modified mix designs.

1: 0.25 : 3 cement : lime : sand. use 1 : 3 cement : sand : + Wintermix

1:1:6 cement : lime : sand

use 1:6 cement: sand + Wintermix

BRICKLAYING/POINTING Use a mix design appropriate to brick strength (1:3 to 1:6).

INTERNAL RENDERS 1:6 + Sika Wintermix

EXTERNAL RENDERS 1:3 + Sika Wintermix

# **Specific Data**

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Appearance	Clear/Amber Liquid	
Specific Gravity @ 20°C	1.2	
Freezing Point	-	
рН	9	
Chloride Ion Content	< 0.1% w/w (nil)	
Dosage	Ambient temperatures down to -4°C: 2.5Litres per 50Kg cement	
	Ambient temperatures below -8°C: 5Litres per 50Kg cement	
Typical Reduction In Setting	20-30% (@ 2.5Ltr/50Kg cement)	
Times		

## **Health & Safety**

Consult MSDS for full list of hazards.

# Storage

Store at moderate temperatures. Will reconstitute after freezing.

## **Shelf Life**

24 months from date of manufacture when stored according to manufacturer's instructions.



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