

# MasterSet® R 122

## Set Retarding Admixture

Formerly POZZOLITH 122 R\*

### Description

MasterSet R 122 ready-to-use liquid admixture is used for making more uniform and predictable quality concrete while retarding its setting time to facilitate placing and finishing operations.

It meets ASTM C 494/C 494M requirements for Type B, retarding and Type D, water-reducing and retarding, admixtures.

### Applications

Recommended for use in:

- Prestressed concrete
- Precast concrete
- Reinforced concrete
- Shotcrete
- Lightweight concrete
- Pumped concrete
- 4x4™ Concrete
- Pervious concrete
- Self-consolidating concrete (SCC)

### Features

- Improved workability
- Reduced segregation
- Superior finishing characteristics for flatwork and cast surfaces
- Reduced water content required for a given workability
- Retarded setting characteristics
- Moderate to extended retardation – depending on the addition rate
- Full-Form deflection can take place (before concrete sets) in extended pours for bridge decks, cantilevers, nonshored structural elements, etc.

### Benefits

- Increased compressive and flexural strengths
- Flexibility in the scheduling of placing and finishing operations
- Offsets the effects of early hardening during extended delays between mixing and placing
- Helps eliminate cold joints
- Peak temperature and/or rate of temperature rise in mass concrete lowered, thereby reducing thermal cracking

### Performance Characteristics

**Rate of Hardening:** The temperature of the concrete mixture and the ambient temperature (forms, earth, reinforcement, air, etc.) affect the hardening rate of concrete. At higher temperatures, concrete hardens more rapidly which may cause problems with placing and finishing. MasterSet R 122 admixture retards the set of concrete. Within the normal dosage range, it will generally extend the setting time of concrete containing normal portland cement approximately 1 to 5 hours compared to that of a plain concrete mixture, depending on job materials and temperatures. Trial mixtures should be made with job materials approximating job conditions to determine the dosage required.

**Compressive Strength:** Concrete produced with MasterSet R 122 admixture will have rapid strength development after initial set occurs. It develops higher early (24-hour) and ultimate strengths than plain concrete when used within the recommended dosage range, under normal, comparable curing conditions.

When MasterSet R 122 admixture is used in heat-cured concrete, the length of the preheating period should be increased until initial set of the concrete is achieved. The actual heat-curing period is then reduced accordingly to maintain existing production cycles without sacrificing early or ultimate strengths.

## Guidelines for Use

**Dosage:** MasterSet R 122 admixture is recommended for use at a dosage of  $4 \pm 1$  fl oz/cwt ( $260 \pm 65$  mL/100 kg) of cementitious materials for most concrete mixtures using typical concrete ingredients. Because of variations in the job conditions and concrete materials, dosages other than the recommended amounts may be required. In such cases, contact your local sales representative.

## Product Notes

**Corrosivity – Non-Chloride, Non-Corrosive:** MasterSet R 122 admixture will neither initiate nor promote corrosion of reinforcing steel in concrete. This admixture does not contain intentionally-added calcium chloride or other chloride-based ingredients.

**Compatibility:** MasterSet R 122 admixture may be used in combination with any BASF admixtures. When used in conjunction with other admixtures, each admixture must be dispensed separately into the mixture.

## Storage and Handling

**Storage Temperature:** MasterSet R 122 admixture should be stored above freezing temperatures. If MasterSet R 122 admixture has frozen, thaw at 35 °F (2 °C) or above and completely reconstitute by mild mechanical agitation. **Do not use pressurized air for agitation.**

**Shelf Life:** MasterSet R 122 admixture has a minimum shelf life of 18 months. Depending on storage conditions, the shelf life may be greater than stated. Please contact your local sales representative regarding suitability for use and dosage recommendations if the shelf life of MasterSet R 122 admixture has been exceeded.

## Packaging

MasterSet R 122 admixture is supplied in 55 gal (208 L) drums, 275 gal (1040 L) totes and by bulk delivery.

## Related Documents

Safety Data Sheets: MasterSet R 122 admixture

## Additional Information

For additional information on MasterSet R 122 admixture or its use in developing a concrete mixture with special performance characteristics, contact your local sales representative.

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