

CapcoNorm® SPCA218

Superplasticizer / Mid-Range Water-Reducing and Accelerating Admixture

CapcoNorm SPCA218 is a Superplasticizer / Mid-Range Water-Reducing Accelerating Admixture that is used to increase the concrete/mortar consistency without changing the water-to-cement ratio in cold weather or to reduce the water-to-cement ratio without reducing the consistency. Also, this admixture increases the 1-day compressive strength.

This product is produced based on the general Iran National Standard No. 2930-1 and the performance requirements of tables 1-3, 2-3, and 6 in the Iran National Standard No. 2930-2. Also, this admixture meets the requirements of grades C and F of the ASTM C494 Standard and Table 1 of the EN 934-1 standard, and the requirements of tables 1-3, 2-3, and 6 of the EN 934-2 Standard.

The physical and chemical properties of CapcoNorm SPCA218 are according to the following table and produced in the allowable changing range of Iran National Standard No.2930-1.

(The previous name of this product was Plastit SPCA218)

Physical State	Liquid
Color	Colorless to Amber
Chemical Base	Polycarboxylate Ether
Density	$g/cm^3 1.07 \pm 0.02$
Chloride Content	Little
The equivalent Alkaline Substance (Na ₂ O)	0.7%
pH	6 ± 1
Freezing Temperature	$-2 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}$

The advantages of using the admixture in concrete

- Reducing the water-to-cement ratio in an equal consistency and a significant increase in the compressive strength
- A significant reduction of water adsorption and penetration due to a high reduction of water to cement content ratio
- Increasing the abrasion strength of the concrete due to a reduction in the water-to-cement ratio
- A better distribution of the cement, improving the compaction in different conditions and increasing the compressive strength in an equal water-to-cement ratio
- Accelerating the initial and final casting and reducing the required time for molding

The effect of the admixture on fresh concrete

- It leads to a significant increase in the consistency in a constant water-to-cement ratio and a significant reduction in the water-to-cement ratio in a constant consistency
- It does not convey the initial setting time of the standard mortar at 20°C to less than 30 minutes in a congruous dosage.
- It conveys the initial setting time of the standard mortar at 5°C to less than 60 minutes of the time of the setting time of the mortar without admixture in a congruous dosage.

- The production of air bubbles in the fresh concrete is controlled in a way that the changes in the air percentage remain in the allowable standard range announced in the properties sheet.

The effect of the admixture on the hardened concrete

- It increases the 1-day compressive strength of the concrete in an equal water-to-cement ratio.
- It does not reduce the 28-day compressive strength of the concrete in an equal water-to-cement ratio and air bubble percentage.

- The instruction to use the admixture in the concrete

The allowable range for using The CapcoNorm SPCA218 is from 0.4% to 1.2% of the cement weight material (400 to 1200 grams per 100 kg of cementitious material including cement, silica fume, slag, fly ash, and other similar pozzolans). Specifying the optimum amount of the admixture should be accomplished with respect to the properties of the mix design and the implementation and weather conditions, and finally making the test mixes. The excessive use of admixture may result in the separation of components and concrete bleeding, specifically for the concrete containing quick-setting cement.

The instructions to add admixture to concrete

To use the admixture, it is necessary to dilute the admixture with water twice the volume of the admixture and add it to the concrete that has reached a low initial slump. It is also necessary to take the following notes into consideration:

- Mix the concrete for 2 to 5 minutes after adding the admixture and assure the uniform distribution of the admixture in the concrete.
 - Avoid the direct contact of the admixture with the dry cement and aggregates
 - Subtract the water used to dilute the admixture and the water as much as the admixture volume (Before adding to the concrete) from the mixing water of the concrete.

- In case of increasing the slump of the fresh concrete it is necessary to obtain the mix design in a way that does not result in separation of the components and concrete bleeding.

Safety tips while using the admixture

This product is not categorized as a dangerous substance; however, it can be allergic to contact with skin. Therefore, it is necessary to use a suitable gown, goggles, and mask while working and take the following tips into consideration:

- Blink in water for at least 15 minutes in case of eye contact
- Wash your skin with clean water for 15 minutes in case of any contact with the skin
- The contaminated clothes must be washed with suitable detergents to be usable for further work.
- It is necessary to visit a doctor if the injured individual still feels uncomfortable

Other necessary notes in using the admixtures

Compatibility of admixture with other products

The simultaneous use of this product with other admixtures of Capco Company is allowed except for the products based on Naphthalene in a mix design. However, it is necessary to batch each admixture separately and then add it to the concrete mixture.

The corrosion of admixture

This product does not start or extend corrosion in the buried bars in concrete, the pre-stressed steel, floor systems, and the roof made of galvanized steel. No Calcium chloride or any other compounds containing chloride is used in producing the CapcoNorm SPCA218.

Transportation and storage of the admixture substance

The conditions and maintenance temperature of transportation

The allowable transportation and maintenance temperature of this product is between 5 and 35 °C. It is also necessary to consider the following tips:

- Avoid putting the container having the admixture in direct exposure to sunlight
- Prevent the admixture from freezing

The admixture lifetime

If the containers of this product are conserved and stored in a standard condition, they will be usable for 18 months provided that the lid of the container is kept closed.

The admixture substance packaging

This product is supplied in 20 Kg gallons, 220 Kg barrels, and 1100 Kg Pallets.

Complementary information

Contact the technical section of Capco Company for complementary information. You can also refer to the performance form of (CapcoNorm SPCA218-PPI) SPCA218 for more information on the performance of this product and its efficiency in the characteristics of fresh and hardened concrete.