

# Premium Polypropylene Fiber



Expressly formulated to address early age cracking problems, premium micro-synthetic polypropylene fibers prevent 80 -100% of all cracks in the plastic state, precisely when most cracks occur. During the plastic settlement phase, the fibers create a three-dimensional support network that resists the downward pull of gravity, thus keeping aggregates in suspension and promoting uniform bleeding. This network increases the tensile strain capacity of concrete during the plastic shrinkage phase as well.

# **PRIMARY APPLICATIONS:**

Applicable to all types of concrete which demonstrate a need for resistance to intrinsic cracking and improved water tightness and an aesthetic finish.

- · Residential & Light Commercial
- · Overlays / toppings
- · Slab on Grade
- Driveways / sidewalks / curbs
- Precast
- Stucco

### REDUCES CRACKING IN CONCRETE FROM:

- Plastic shrinkage & settlement
- Impact & shattering
- Fire Spalling

# **BENEFITS:**

- Safe & easy to handle
- Mixable reinforcement
- Durable & economical
- Non-Corrosive
- Provides perfect placement of reinforcement

### SPECIFY PREMIUM POLYPROPYLENE FIBER:

- Reduced plastic shrinkage cracking
- Improved impact, shatter and abrasion resistance
- Reduced water migration and damage from freeze/thaw
- Improved durability
- · Areas requiring nonmetallic materials

# PREMIUM POLYPROPYLENE FIBER MITIGATES EARLY AGE CRACKS:

Premium Polypropylene Fiber is ideal for use in concrete that has light duty reinforcement or no reinforcement at all. Premium Polypropylene Fiber mitigates early age cracking that all concrete experiences as it cures. Premium Polypropylene Fiber requires no installation, no prep work, and no additional finishing time and is always perfectly placed within the mix. InCide Technologies prides itself on backing up our claims with performance data.

Our Premium Polypropylene Fiber has been tested per ASTM C 1579 "Standard Test Method for Evaluating Plastic Shrinkage Cracking of Restrained Fiber Reinforced Concrete (Using a Steel Form Insert)". In this test, plain concrete samples are tested alongside concrete samples reinforced with micro fibers. Early age cracking is identified, quantified and compared in each sample. A crack reduction ratio (CRR 43) is then determined that describes the micro fiber's ability to mitigate early age cracking as compared to a plain concrete sample.

Based on latest results, Premium Polypropylene Fiber has a CRR of 40. Concrete with Premium Polypropylene Fiber will mitigate 43% MORE early age cracks than plain concrete. Considering that many long term cracking stems from these smaller early age cracking, that translates into real performance for the life of the concrete floor.

**Dosage:** InCide Technologies recommends dosing the concrete with 0.6 to 0.9 kg/m3 of Premium Polypropylene Fiber.

# PREMIUM POLYPROPYLENE FIBER REDUCES MATERIAL HANDLING:

6 pallets of Premium Polypropylene Fiber does the work of one truckload of welded wire fabric.

PACKAGING: 44 Lb Bag (20kg) that contains 20 1kg bags for easy measuring.

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## PRODUCT DATA SHEET

Premium Polypropylene Fiber is a micro-reinforcement system for concrete... 100% virgin homopolymer polypropylene multifilament fibers containing no reprocessed olefin materials. Specifically engineered and manufactured in an ISO 9001:2000 certified facility for use as concrete reinforcement at an application rate of 1.0 to 1.5 lbs per cubic yard (.60 to .90 kg per cubic meter). UL Classified. Complies with National Building Codes and ASTM C III6/C III6M,Type III fiber reinforced concrete.

#### **ADVANTAGES**

Non-magnetic • Rustproof • Alkali proof • Requires no minimum amount of concrete cover • Is always positioned in compliance with codes • Safe and easy to use • Saves time and hassle.

### **FEATURES & BENEFITS**

- . Inhibits and controls the formation of intrinsic cracking in concrete
- · Reinforces against impact forces
- · Reinforces against abrasion
- · Reinforces against the effect of shattering forces
- Reinforces against water migration
- · Provides improved durability
- Reduces plastic shrinkage and settlement cracking
- Alternate system to traditional reinforcement when used for secondary (crack control) reinforcing in concrete.

# PRIMARY APPLICATIONS

Applicable to all types of concrete which demonstrate a need for resistance to intrinsic cracking and improved water tightness and an aesthetic finish.

Slabs-on-groundSlope pavingSidewalks

CurbsExposed aggregateDrivewaysOverlays & toppings

# **CHEMICAL AND PHYSICAL PROPERTIES**

Absorption Nil

Thermal Conductivity Low
Electrical Conductivity Low
Alkali Resistance Alkali Proof
Acid & Salt Resistance High

# **DO SPECIFY**

# **Premium Polypropylene Fiber**

- Reduced plastic shrinkage cracking
- Improved impact, shatter and abrasion resistance
- · Reduced water migration and damage from freeze/thaw
- Improved durability
- Areas requiring nonmetallic materials
- Concrete that needs an architectural finish



### **PRODUCT USE**

**MIXING DESIGNS AND PROCEDURES:** Premium Polypropylene Fiber reinforcing is a mechanical, not chemical, process. The addition of Premium Polypropylene Fibers does not require any additional water or other mix design changes at normal rates. Premium Polypropylene Fibers are added to the mixer before, during or after batching the other concrete materials. Mixing time and speed are specified in ASTM C 94.

**FINISHING:** Premium Polypropylene Fiber reinforced concrete can be finished by any finishing technique. Exposed aggregate, broomed and tined surfaces are no problem.

**APPLICATION RATE:** The application rate for Premium Polypropylene Fibers is 1.0 to 1.5 lbs per cubic yard (.60 to .90 kg per cubic meter). Note: 0.75 lbs per cubic yard (0.44 kg per cubic meter) may be acceptable based on local building codes.

#### **GUIDELINES**

Premium Polypropylene Fibers should not be used to replace structural, load-bearing reinforcement. Premium Polypropylene Fibers should not be used as a means of using thinner concrete sections than original design. Premium Polypropylene Fibers should not be used to increase joint spacing past those dimensions suggested by PCA and ACI industry standard guidelines.

### **COMPATIBILITY**

Premium Polypropylene Fibers are compatible with all concrete admixtures and performance enhancing chemicals, but require no admixtures to work.

### **PACKAGING**

Premium Polypropylene Fibers are available in a variety of packaging options. Special packaging is available for full truckload addition. Premium Polypropylene Fibers are packaged, packed into cartons, shrink-wrapped and palletized for protection during shipping.

#### REFERENCE DOCUMENTS

- ASTM C 94/C 94M Standard Specification for Ready-Mixed Concrete.
- ASTM C III6/C III6M Standard Specification for Fiber Reinforced Concrete.
- ASTM C 1399 Standard Test Method for Obtaining Average Residual-Strength of Fiber-Reinforced Concrete.
- ASTM C 1436 Standard Specification for Materials for Shotcrete.
- ASTM C 1609/C 1609M Standard Test Method for Flexural Performance of Fiber-Reinforced Concrete (Using Beam with Third-Point Loading). Replaces ASTM C 1018.
- ACI 304 Guide for Measuring, Mixing, Transporting and Placing Concrete.
- ACI 506 Guide for Shotcrete.
   International Code Council (ICC) NER-414 Evaluation Report.

### **SPECIFICATION CLAUSE**

Use Premium Polypropylene Fiber only 100 percent virgin polypropylene multifilament fibers containing no reprocessed olefin materials and specifically engineered and manufactured in an ISO 9001:2000 certified facility for use as concrete secondary reinforcement. Application per cubic yard shall equal a minimum of 1.0 lb/yd3 (.60 kg/m3). Fibers are for the control of cracking due to plastic shrinkage, plastic settlement and thermal expansion/contraction, lowered permeability, increased impact, abrasion and shatter resistance. Fiber manufacturer shall document evidence of ten year satisfactory performance history, ISO 9001:2000 certification of manufacturing facility, compliance with applicable building codes and ASTM C 1116/C 1116M, Type III fiber reinforced concrete. Fibrous concrete reinforcement shall be manufactured by InCide Technologies, Inc.