Sika® Pump-Start-1
Concrete pumping aid

Product Description
Sika® Pump-Start-1 is a pumping aid for double piston concrete pumps. Sika® Pump-Start-1, dissolved in water lubricates the pipe walls and facilitates problem free pumping of cementitious mixes.

Uses
The contents of one bag of Sika® Pump-Start-1 is placed in the hopper of the concrete pump and mixed with approx. 50 litres of water. As soon as this mix assumes a “greasy” condition the pumping process can be started. The initial batch of concrete has to be placed in the hopper slowly to ensure that the Sika® Pump-Start-1 advance mix enters the conveying pipe before the concrete.

Sika® Pump-Start-1 has the following uses:
- Pump start of standard concrete mixes
- Pump start of shotcrete
- Pump start of mortar mixes

Characteristics / Advantages
The long chained organic molecules of Sika® Pump-Start-1 in contact with water produce a “greasy” film which lubricates the walls of the pump, pipes and hoses and thus facilitates trouble free pump starting.

Product Data

Form

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<th>Appearance / Colour</th>
<th>Powder, white</th>
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<td>Packaging</td>
<td>40 x 200 g plastic bags in a pail.</td>
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Storage

| Storage Conditions / Shelf-Life | 24 months from date of production if stored in unopened and undamaged original sealed containers protected from moisture at temperatures between +5°C and +30°C. |

Technical Data

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<th>Density</th>
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<td>pH Value</td>
<td>~ 8.0 (at +20°C)</td>
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## System Information

### Application Details

#### Consumption / Dosage

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<th>Diameter</th>
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<td>65 mm</td>
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<td>100 mm</td>
<td>~ 40 m</td>
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<td>125 mm</td>
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1 bag Sika® Pump-Start-1 dissolved in 50 l water, dependent on the diameter of the conveying pipe is sufficient for the following pump pipe lengths:

#### Application Conditions / Limitations

**Notes on Application / Limitations**

- Fair faced concrete: Sika® Pump-Start-1 should not come into contact with any of the desired fair faced concrete surfaces during the pump start process.
- High performance concrete: For concrete with special performance requirements, the initial “greasy” mix must be disposed of and not placed in the pour.

### Value Base

All technical data stated in this Product Data Sheet are based on laboratory tests. Actual measured data may vary due to circumstances beyond our control.

### Local Restrictions

Please note that as a result of specific local regulations the performance of this product may vary from country to country. Please consult the local Product Data Sheet for the exact description of the application fields.

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