

## CONCERA™ CP8480

# Water-reducing admixture ASTM C494 Type A

### **Product Description**

CONCERA CP8480 is a highly formulated polycarboxylate-based water reducer intended for the production of Control Flow Concrete, a highly flowable concrete utilizing conventional mix designs. CONCERA CP8480 has been formulated to extend slump-flow life while imparting extreme workability without segregation to concrete.

CONCERA CP8480 is supplied as a ready-to-use liquid that weighs approximately 1.06 kg/L. It does not contain intentionally added chlorides.

#### Uses

CONCERA CP8480 is recommended for use in the production of Control Flow Concrete, a highly flowable conventionally proportioned concrete category with slump flows that reside between conventional and self-consolidating concrete.

CONCERA CP8480 is used in conjunction with a polycarboxylate-based mid-range or high-range water reducing admixture. Starting slump before the addition of CONCERA CP8480 will typically be in the range of 125-200 mm.

- Produces concrete with extremely high levels of workability without segregation. Slump flows can vary from 410 to 635 mm with the types of materials used, but will typically range from 460 to 560 mm
- Provides superior water tolerance to the concrete, making it less susceptible to normal manufacturing moisture fluctuations
- Extends slump life to enable batch plant adjustments and predictable job site plastic properties

### **Product Advantages**

- · Uses conventional mix designs
- Enables production of extremely high-flowing, segregation resistant concrete
- Yields consistent and predictable slump flows
- Provides extended slump flow retention
- Reduces/eliminates job-site QC support
- · Easier and faster placement and finishing

### **Control Flow Concrete**

Control Flow Concrete is a highly flowable concrete utilizing conventional mix designs, which requires minimal external enegy to properly consolidate.

Control Flow Concrete produced with CONCERA CP8480 admixture has unique advantages over conventional flowing concrete and/or Self-Consolidating Concrete.

### Advantages compared to conventional concrete mixtures:

- **High flowability concrete** enhanced flow properties with no change in stability or segregation resistance.
- **Easy placement and finishing** minimized need for vibration due to high flow and high responsiveness to external energy.
- **Segregation resistant** increased window of mix designs that maintain acceptable cohesiveness.
- Minimized blocking high passing ability through congested reinforcement without aggregate "blocking" when produced with maximum size aggregate conforming to ACI 211.1
- **Fast construction** significantly faster concrete discharges and placement.
- Reduced equipment wear pumps at lower pressures.

### Advantages compared to self-consolidating concrete mixtures:

- Lower material costs uses conventional mix designs instead of specialized mix proportions.
- Superior moisture tolerance consistent and predictable flow properties through as larger range of manufacturing moisture fluctuations.
- Reduced jobsite quality control improved stability and segregation resistance reduces need for jobsite adjustments.

### **Addition Rates**

CONCERA CP8480 is an easy to dispense liquid admixture.

Dosage rates can be adjusted to meet a wide spectrum of concrete mix proportions and performance requirements.

Addition rates will normally range from 390 to 1045 mL/100 kg of cementitious material. Should conditions require using more than the recommended addition rate, please consult your GCP Applied Technologies representative.

### **Compatibility with Other Admixtures and Batch Sequencing**

CONCERA CP8480 admixture is compatible with most GCP admixtures as long as they are added separately to the concrete mix, usually through the water holding tank discharge line. However, it is not recommended for use in concrete containing naphthalene-based admixtures, including DARACEM 19.

In general, it is recommended that the product be added to the concrete mix near the end of the batch sequence for optimum performance. Please see GCP Technical Bulletin TB-0110, Admixture Dispenser Discharge Line Location and Sequencing for Concrete Batching Operations for further recommendations.

### Packaging & Handling

CONCERA CP8480 is available in bulk, delivered by metered tank trucks, in totes and drums.

CONCERA CP8480 will begin to freeze at approximately 0°C but will return to full strength after thawing and thorough agitation. In storage and for proper dispensing, the temperature should be maintained above 0°C.

### **Specifications**

Concrete shall be designed in accordance with Standard Recommended Practice for Selecting Proportions for Concrete, ACI 211.

The water-reducing admixture shall be CONCERA CP8480 water reducer as manufactured by GCP Applied Technologies, or its equivalent. It shall be manufactured to meet all the requirements of Specification for Chemical Admixtures for Concrete, ASTM Designation C494 as a Type A admixture.

The admixture shall be delivered as a ready-to-use, liquid product and shall not contain added chlorides. It shall be used in strict accordance with manufacturer's recommendations.

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