

# **Product information**

# Namex<sup>®</sup> XA

# Expansive additive for reduced thermal shrinkage of cement-based products.

### Description

Namex<sup>®</sup> XA is a highly efficient addition, made up from a special mineral mix and milled to the particle size of cement. Namex® XA has been modified to reduce and compensate the thermal shrinkage of cement-based construction products.

Namex<sup>®</sup> XA reacts with water with expanding volume.

## Chemical composition (M.-%, approx.)

MgO	> 80
SiO <sub>2</sub>	4
CaO	5
Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	2
CI	< 0,1

## **Physical properties (approx.)**

Appearance	reddish, easy handling and flowing powder	
Specific density	3,6 g/cm <sup>3</sup>	
Bulk density	0,6 g/cm <sup>3</sup>	
Particle size	> 200 µ < 90 µ	< 1 % > 80 %

#### Function

Namex<sup>®</sup> XA reacts with water producing new hydration products. Together with the hardening phase of the cement these will produce a volume increase (expansion). This structure contains a pre-stress that will counteract the tensioning stresses of concrete in its cooling phase.

#### **Advantages**

Depending on the addition level:

- reduced shrinkage
- increased impermeability to water
- increased mechanical strength
- ease of handling.



Applications	
	Namex <sup>®</sup> XA can be used in a variety of applications, such as:
	<ul> <li>high density mortars and concrete</li> <li>industrial flooring</li> <li>tile adhesives</li> <li>flooring</li> <li>self-healing cracks in concrete</li> </ul>
	To give the required expansion, it is necessary to assure enough availability of water over long periods.
Addition level	
	Typical addition levels are $3 - 6$ % on the cement weight. Expansion and reduced shrinkage are proportional to the addition level. It is highly recommended that laboratory trials should first be carried out to determine the correct addition level of Namex <sup>®</sup> XA.
	A too high addition level of Namex <sup>®</sup> XA will result in extremely strong expansion, with re- duced strength, high porosity and reduced frost resistance.
Compatibility	
	Namex <sup>®</sup> XA is compatible with Portland cement and hydraulic binders, including ground blast furnace slag, fly ash and hydrated lime.
Health & Safety	
	Namex <sup>®</sup> XA is alkaline and should be handled like other cements. Avoid contact with skin or eyes and wear protective gloves and goggles. In case of contact with eye flush immediately with plenty of water. Refer to Material Safety Data Sheet for full details.
Storage	
	Namex <sup>®</sup> XA is sensitive to moisture and should be stored in cool, dry conditions.
Packaging	
	In bags of 20 kg, or big bags of 1000 kg.

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