

FORTA-FERRO®

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GENERAL DESCRIPTION

FORTA-FERRO[®] is an easy-to-finish, color-blended macrosynthetic fiber, made of 100% virgin copolymer/ polypropylene consisting of a twisted bundle non-fibrillating monofilament and a fibrillating network fiber, yielding a high-performance concrete reinforcement system. FORTA-FERRO[®] is used to reduce plastic and hardened concrete shrinkage, improve impact strength, and increase fatigue resistance and concrete toughness. This heavy-duty macrosynthetic fiber offers maximum long-term durability, structural enhancements, and effective secondary/temperature crack control by incorporating a truly unique synergistic fiber system of long length design. FORTA-FERRO[®] is non-corrosive, non-magnetic, and 100% alkali proof.

APPLICATIONS

FORTA-FERRO[®] is mainly used with performance concrete applications such as slabs on ground, bridge decks, shotcrete, composite metal decks, overlays, pavements, precast products – anywhere that steel reinforcement reduction or replacement is the objective. Contact FORTA Corporation for design assistance.

INSTALLATION

Recommended dosage rate of FORTA-FERRO[®] is 0.2% to 2.0% by volume of concrete (3 to 30 lbs. per cubic yard) added directly to the concrete mixing system during, or after, the batching of the other ingredients and mixed at the time and speed recommended by the mixer manufacturer (usually four to five minutes).

PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

Materials.....Virgin Copolymer/Polypropylene Form.....Monofilament/Fibrillated Fiber System Specific Gravity......0.91 Tensile Strength......83-96 ksi. (570-660 MPa) Length......2.25" (54mm), 1.5" (38mm) Color.....Gray Acid/Alkali Resistance...Excellent AbsorptionNil Compliance....A.S.T.M. C-1116 Compliance.....A.S.T.M. D-7508 Compliance....SDI C-2011 Standard 13.a.3 Certified....UL # R18522

AVAILABILITY

FORTA-FERRO[®] can be purchased from FORTA Corporation or an authorized FORTA[®] products distributor, dealer or representative.

PACKAGING

Convenient incremental pound or kilogram mixer-ready bag packaging.

WARRANTY

FORTA[®] products are warranted to be free of defects in material and meet all quality control standards set by the manufacturer. FORTA Corporation specifically disclaims all other warranties, express or implied. The exclusive remedy for defective product shall be to replace the product or refund the purchase price. No agent or employee of this company is authorized to vary the terms of this warranty notice. FORTA Corporation has no control over the design, production, placement, or testing of the concrete products in which FORTA[®] products are incorporated, and therefore FORTA Corporation disclaims liability for the end product.

U. S. Patent Nos. 6,753,081 and 7,168,232. Additional patents pending.

FORTA Corporation's technical recommendations regarding synthetic fiber characteristics are based on years of engineering research and scores of concrete projects. FORTA[®] has developed a simple "4-C's" formula to help the specifier choose the right fiber for any concrete project application. By making a decision with each of the FORTA[®] "4-C's" categories – <u>Configuration</u>, <u>Chemistry</u>, <u>Contents</u>, and <u>Correct Length</u>–specifiers are assured of obtaining the desired fiber performance level for a given project. The following 4-C's formula specification has been prepared to accommodate the stated reinforcement objective for this FORTA[®] product grade.

REINFORCEMENT OBJECTIVE: To inhibit plastic and settlement shrinkage cracking prior to the initial set, and to reduce hardened concrete shrinkage cracking, improve impact strength, and enhance concrete toughness and durability as an alternate temperature/shrinkage reinforcement.

DIVISION – CONCRETE SECTION – CONCRETE REINFORCEMENT SUB-SECTION – SYNTHETIC FIBROUS REINFORCEMENT

Synthetic fibrous reinforcement shall be used in the areas noted in the structural specification and denoted in plans, and shall comply with the following fiber characteristics:

- 1. Configuration Fiber should be a macrosynthetic synergistic combination of a twisted-bundle non-fibrillating monofilament and a fibrillating network fiber system.
- 2. Chemistry Fiber shall be made of 100% virgin materials in the form of fully-oriented copolymer/polypropylene, gray in color.
- Contents Fiber shall be used at a rate of ___% by volume of concrete, resulting in a dosage of __pounds per cubic yard [i.e. 0.2%, 3.0 lbs./cu. yd; 0.27%, 4.0lbs./cu. yd; 0.33%, 5.0 lbs./cu. yd; 0.5%, 7.5lbs./cu. yd; etc]
- 4. Correct Length Fiber Length shall be 1 ½", 38mm, 2 ¼", 54mm.

Compliance: Fibers shall comply with A.S.T.M. C-1116 "Standard Specification for Fiber Reinforced Concrete and Shotcrete" and A.S.T.M. D-7508 "Standard Specification for Polyolefin Chopped Strands for Use in Concrete". The approved product is FORTA-FERRO[®] macrosynthetic fiber as manufactured by FORTA Corporation, Grove City, PA, U.S.A. Phone: 1-800-245-0306 or 1-724-458-5221; Fax: 1-724-458-8331.



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