Microsol ECO Synthetic Micro Fibres

TECHNICAL DATA SHEET

6 mm Staple Fibre

Microsol – Polypropylene fibres for concrete and mortar reinforcement

Product Information

1. <u>Properties</u>

1.1	Appearance:	White staple fibre
1.2	Fibre Type:	Micro Polyethylene 6 mm
1.3	Chemical Name:	Polyethylene Terephthalate
1.4	Description:	Thermoplastic fibre, round and uncrimped
1.5	Fibre Diameter:	18 µm
1.6	Fibre count per gram:	462 800 for 6 mm (Calculated)
1.7	Density:	1.34 – 1.4
1.8	Melting point:	254 °C
1.9	Auto Ignition Temperature:	515 °C
1.10	Physical State:	Solid
1.11	Moisture Regain:	0.5%
1.12	Solubility in water:	Not soluble
1.13	Tenacity at break:	45 cN/Tex (+/- 5)
1.11	Elongation at break:	40 % (+/- 5)
1.12	Tensile Strength:	380 N/mm² min
1.13	Packaging:	250g water soluble bag or as per requirement

2. <u>Typical use in Concrete / Cementitious applications</u>

*	Foundations	*	Floor slabs	*	Floor and roof tiles
*	Roads and Pavements	*	Man-hole covers	*	Concrete ornaments
*	Precast products	*	Plastering	*	Hollow concrete blocks

3. Advantages of using Microsol

- 3.1 Reduces plastic settlement and plastic shrinkage cracking in concrete formed during hardening stages
- 3.2 Reduces water permeability thus helping to prevent walls from dampening as well as helping to avoid corrosion in reinforcing steel used in concrete
- 3.3 Adds Impact and abrasion resistance
- 3.4 Increase shatter and spalling resistance
- 3.5 Explosive spalling resistance

Caution: The addition of **Microsol** fibres helps to effectively limit plastic shrinkage and reduce cracks normally formed during dry shrinkage of concrete as well as improving other properties of the same. <u>It must not, however, be used as a replacement for structural or load bearing reinforcement materials.</u>

4. FIBSOL - Microsol dosage rate and directions for use

- 4.1 Dosage: 600 g/m³ to 1500 g/m³ (depending on Engineer's specifications) or approximately 0.2% by volume.
- 4.2 Directions for use:

<u>Transit mixer</u>: Simply add **Microsol** fibre bag in to revolving truck mixer, according to dosing recommendations, on top of concrete matrix;

<u>Mixer</u>: Sprinkle **Microsol** fibres in the rotating mixer on top of sand and stone. Allow dry aggregates to mix for 30 seconds, add cement, balance of water and allow rotating as usual;

Manual mixing: For best results, sprinkle fibres over dry aggregates (sand/stone) and manually mix as usual, add cement and mix once more before adding water

<u>Note</u>: For plastering applications, we recommend our 6 mm fibre whereas all other applications are best suited with our 12 mm fibre as used in our testing