# **FTN** Water-reducing admixture for sprayed concrete

## Description

FTN is a high range water-reducing admixture developed to improve the quality of sprayed concrete. Because sprayed concrete is executed under varying conditions, several major concerns in terms of durability, workability and economy, increased rebounds and slump loss etc. of sprayed concrete exist.

Major improvements in terms of workability, durability and economy of sprayed concrete can be achieved if FTN is added to the base concrete.

### Uses

The amount of mix water can be greatly reduced for use in low-slump-loss concrete.

Three types of FTN admixtures are available:

- FTN-10 for use in general sprayed concrete.
- FTN-30 is the standard high range water-reducing admixture for high strength and high durability sprayed concrete;
- FTN-30S is a high range water-reducing and retarding admixture for high strength and high durability sprayed concrete.

| Performance of FTN<br>Illustration of JIS A 6204 Performance Test Results |                 |                                    |                     |       |                           |      |      |                      |      |  |  |  |  |
|---|-----------------|------------------------------------|---------------------|-------|---------------------------|------|------|----------------------|------|--|--|--|--|
|   |                 | AE Water                           | FTN-10<br>Test Rate |       | High Range AE             | FTN  | -30  | FTN-30S<br>Test Rate |      |  |  |  |  |
| Specific  | ations          | Reducing                           |                     |       | Water Reducing            | Test | Rate |                      |      |  |  |  |  |
| specifications  |                 | Standard 'l' Type<br>Standard Rate | 8cm                 | 18 cm | 'l' Type Standard<br>Rate | 8cm  | 18cm | 8cm                  | 18cm |  |  |  |  |
| Water Reduction Rate<br>(%)   |                 | above 10                           | 11                  | 12    | above 18                  | 18   | 18   | 18                   | 18   |  |  |  |  |
| Bleeding Ratio (%)  |                 | above 70                           | 62                  | 60    | below 60                  | 18   | 18   | 18                   | 18   |  |  |  |  |
| Setting Time  | Initial         | -60 ~ +90                          | +55                 | +60   | -30 ~ +120                | +35  | +35  | +20                  | +25  |  |  |  |  |
| Difference<br>(min)   | Final           | -60 ~ +90                          | +50                 | +65   | -30 ~ +120                | +25  | +25  | +25                  | +40  |  |  |  |  |
|   | 3 days old      | above 115                          | 130                 | 128   | above 135                 | 151  | 152  | 153                  | 154  |  |  |  |  |
| Compressive<br>Strength   | 7 days old      | above 110                          | 125                 | 126   | above 125                 | 141  | 143  | 147                  | 148  |  |  |  |  |
| Ratio (%)   | 28 days<br>old  | above 110                          | 118                 | 116   | above 115                 | 132  | 129  | 132                  | 132  |  |  |  |  |
| Elongation Rat  | tio (%)         | above 120                          | 100                 | 100   | below 110                 | 99   | 99   | 99                   | 99   |  |  |  |  |
| Freeze-Thaw Resistance<br>%   |                 | above 80                           | 97                  | -     | above 80                  | -    | 98   | -                    | 98   |  |  |  |  |
| Variation<br>Rate upon<br>Time  | Slump<br>(cm)   | -                                  | -                   | -     | below 6.0                 | -    | 2.5  | -                    | 1.5  |  |  |  |  |
| Elapsed (60<br>mins later)  | Air Rate<br>(%) | _                                  | _                   | _     | within ±1.5               | _    | 0.5  | _                    | 0.7  |  |  |  |  |

Admixture usage rate: FTN-10 = 10%, FTN-30=0.9%, FTN-30S=1.0%

## **Mortar Setting Test**

#### **Materials Used**

Cement : Regular Portland Cement (mixture of 3 types)

Fine Aggregates :River Sand (specific gravity = 2.74, FM = 2.94)

Admixture : FTN-10, FTN-30, FTN-30S

Adhesive Material : Denka Natmic T-5 (all-purpose type), Denka Natmic T-10 (high strength type)

| Mortar Mixture    |                    |     |     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|-------------------|--------------------|-----|-----|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Admi              | xture              | W/C | S/C |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Туре              | Usage Rate (C x %) | (%) |     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No addition       | -                  | 57  |     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| FTN-10            | 1.0                | 50  | 2 5 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| FTN-30<br>FTN-30S | 1.5                | 40  | 2.5 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |



#### **Test Conditions**

Targeted flow rate was set at 210  $\pm$  10mm after mixing for 15 minutes at 20°C. Tested based on same mixture at 20°C for 10°C and 30°C.

## Sprayed Test - High Strength Sprayed Concrete (1)

#### Materials Used

Cement : Regular Portland Cement (specific gravity = 3.16) Fine Aggregates : River Sand (specific gravity = 2.74, FM = 2.94) Coarse Aggregates : (specific gravity = 2.72) Admixture :FTN-30 Adhesive Material: Denka Natmic T-5, Denka Natmic T-10

| Properties of Concrete |         |         |            |            |      |     |                   |      |                  |  |  |  |
|------------------------|---------|---------|------------|------------|------|-----|-------------------|------|------------------|--|--|--|
| No. W/C (%)            |         | ι       | Jnit Weigh | t (kg / m³ | )    |     | Adhesive Material |      |                  |  |  |  |
|                        | W/C (%) | S/a (%) | w          | с          | S    | G   | FTN-30 (C x %)    | Туре | Addition<br>Rate |  |  |  |
| (1)                    | 10      | 60      | 100        | 450        | 1001 | 745 | 1.1               | T-5  | 7                |  |  |  |
| (2)                    | ) 40    | 60      | 180        | 450        | 1081 | 715 | 1.1               | T-10 | 10               |  |  |  |

| Characteristics Test Results |  |             |              |                   |                                     |                   |                  |                          |         |  |  |  |
|------------------------------|--|-------------|--------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|--------------------------|---------|--|--|--|
| No.                          |  | Characteri  | stics of Bas | e Concrete        | Characteristics of Sprayed Concrete |                   |                  |                          |         |  |  |  |
|                              | Slump (cm) (upper row)<br>Air Rate (%) (low row) |             |              | Compi<br>Strength | ressive<br>(N/mm²)                  | Tensile S<br>(N/n | Strength<br>nm²) | Core Strength<br>(N/mm²) |         |  |  |  |
|                              | Elapsed<br>Time<br>O min                         | 60 mins     | 90 mins      | 7 days            | 28 days                             | 3 h               | 24 h             | 7 days                   | 28 days |  |  |  |
| (1)                          | 18.5<br>2.3                                      | 17.0<br>2.2 | 14.5<br>2.0  | 48.6              | 56.8                                | 2.9               | 12.5             | 38.5                     | 42.4    |  |  |  |
| (2)                          | 18.0<br>1.9                                      | 16.0<br>2.2 | 13.5<br>1.9  | 46.6              | 56.6                                | 4.3               | 18.0             | 45.2                     | 57.9    |  |  |  |

Base Concrete Temperature : 18°C

## Sprayed Test - General Sprayed Concrete (2)

#### Materials Used

Cement : Regular Portland Cement (specific gravity = 3.15) Fine Aggregates : River Sand (specific gravity = 2.73, FM = 2.90) Coarse Aggregates : (specific gravity = 2.70) Admixture : FTN-30S Adhesive Material : Denka Natmic T-5

| Properties of Concrete |         |         |     |     |           |     |                     |  |  |  |  |
|------------------------|---------|---------|-----|-----|-----------|-----|---------------------|--|--|--|--|
|                        |         |         |     |     | Admixture |     |                     |  |  |  |  |
| Туре                   | W/C (%) | S/a (%) | w   | С   | S         | G   | Material<br>(C x %) |  |  |  |  |
| No Admixture           | 63.9    | 60      | 230 | 360 | 1034      | 681 | 7.0                 |  |  |  |  |
| FTN-30S C x 0.9%       | 52.2    | 60      | 188 | 360 | 1102      | 727 | 7.0                 |  |  |  |  |

| Characteristics Test Results |  |             |            |  |         |                                     |                  |                                      |         |  |  |  |  |
|------------------------------|--|-------------|------------|--|---------|-------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------------|---------|--|--|--|--|
|                              | c  | haracter    | istics of  | Base Concr                                     | ete     | Characteristics of Sprayed Concrete |                  |                                      |         |  |  |  |  |
| No                           | Slump (cm) (upper row)<br>Air Rate (%) (low row) |             |            | Compressive<br>Strength (N / mm <sup>2</sup> ) |         | Tensile S<br>(N/                    | Strength<br>mm²) | Core Strength (N / mm <sup>2</sup> ) |         |  |  |  |  |
|                              | Elapsed<br>Time<br>O min                         | 60<br>mins  | 90<br>mins | 7 days   | 28 days | 3 h                                 | 24 h             | 7 days                               | 28 days |  |  |  |  |
| No Admixture                 | 11.5<br>2.5                                      | 10.0<br>2.6 | 8.0<br>2.3 | 18.3   | 26.0    | 1.53                                | 11.1             | 16.3                                 | 25.6    |  |  |  |  |
| FTN-30S C x 0.9%             | 12.0<br>3.5                                      | 10.0<br>3.3 | 8.0<br>3.4 | 26.4   | 34.9    | 2.67                                | 16.2             | 22.5                                 | 33.5    |  |  |  |  |

Base Concrete Temperature : 23°C

## **Flowable Fill Test**

#### **Materials Used**

Cement : Regular Portland Cement (specific gravity = 3.16) Fine Powder : Fly Ash 100 mesh transit products (specific gravity = 2.70) Fine Aggregates : Lime Crushed Sand /Fine Mortar (F.M = 2.85, specific gravity = 2.65) Coarse Aggregates : Lime Crushed Stones/Mortar Stones (M.S = 15mm, specific gravity = 2.66) Admixture : FTN-30S

| Properties of Concrete         |                        |         |         |     |        |           |       |     |                    |  |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|---------|---------|-----|--------|-----------|-------|-----|--------------------|--|
| Targeted<br>Slump Flow<br>(cm) | Targeted               |         | S/a (%) |     | Unit \ | Veight (k | g/m³) |     | Admixture          |  |
|                                | Demolding<br>Time (hr) | W/C (%) |         | w   | С      | SF        | S     | G   | FTN-30s<br>(P x %) |  |
| 65 + 5                         | 15                     | 47.4    | 52.0    | 185 | 390    | 150       | 837   | 798 | 1.0                |  |

| Characteristics Test Results |                    |                               |             |                                |               |              |               |                |  |  |  |
|------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|-------------|--------------------------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|----------------|--|--|--|
| Concrete<br>Temp.<br>(°C)    | Slump (<br>Air Rat | cm) (upper r<br>e (%) (low re | ow)<br>ow)  | Compressive Strength (N / mm²) |               |              |               |                |  |  |  |
|                              | Immediately        | 30 mins                       | 60 mins     | 90 mins                        | Age<br>15 hrs | Age<br>1 day | Age<br>7 days | Age<br>28 days |  |  |  |
| 20                           | 64.0<br>2.0        | 64.5<br>2.1                   | 65.0<br>1.9 | 62.0<br>2.3                    | 5.73          | 12.0         | 47.0          | 59.5           |  |  |  |

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