



PRODUCT DATA SHEET

Sika® Stabilizer-1518 TBM CA

FOAMING AGENT FOR TBM-EPBM TUNNELING

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Sika® Stabilizer-1518 TBM CA is a specially designed liquid soil conditioning foaming agent without glycol. It has been formulated to be used with earth pressure balance machines (EPBM) for modifying the properties of the excavated soil particularly in highly cohesive soils.

WHERE TO USE

Produces a stable foam which can be easily injected into highly cohesive soils during tunnelling operations with earth pressure balance machines (EPBM).

CHARACTERISTICS / ADVANTAGES

- Modifies properties of the excavated soil
- Improves the excavation process and TBM performance
- Can be used in acid and basic soils
- Lubricating properties minimises friction between soil particles and reduces the cutting wheel torque
- Prevents clay from plugging
- Reduces dust in the air and decreases the wear of cutters in rock excavation
- Easy to handle and use
- Normal or hard fresh water can be used to produce the foam

PRODUCT INFORMATION

Composition / Manufacturing	Anionic surfactants and high efficiency polymer
Packaging	1040L IBC
Shelf Life	18 months from date of production
Storage Conditions	The product must be stored in original, unopened and undamaged packaging in dry conditions at temperatures between +5 °C and 35 °C. Always refer to packaging.
Appearance / Colour	Liquid / Clear, slightly yellow
Density	1,050 kg/l ±0,05
Solubility	Completely soluble in water
pH-Value	7 ± 0,05
Compatibility	Contact your Sika Canada technical sales representative for additional information.

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Recommended Dosage

Recommended dosage	~1,5 - 3,0 %
Foam Expansion Ratio (FER)	~1,5:5 to 1:20
Foam Injection Ratio (FIR)	~ 10 % up to 100 %

This information is a guide only and will be specific to each soil type. Preliminary trials in the laboratory must always be carried out to determine foam parameters, such as dosage FER and FIR. Contact your Sika Canada technical sales representative for additional information.

Mixing

Inject through standard TBM dosing and foaming equipment

BASIS OF PRODUCT DATA

Product properties are typically averages, obtained under laboratory conditions. Reasonable variations can be expected on-site due to local factors, including environment, preparation, application, curing and test methods.

ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH & SAFETY

User must read the most recent corresponding Safety Data Sheets (SDS) before using any products. The SDS provides information and advice on the safe handling, storage and disposal of chemical products and contains physical, ecological, toxicological and other safety-related data.

LOCAL RESTRICTIONS

Note that as a result of specific local regulations the declared data and recommended uses for this product may vary from country to country. Consult the local Product Data Sheet for exact product data and uses.

LEGAL NOTES

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