# **BUILDING TRUST**

# PRODUCT DATA SHEET

# Novocon® FE-1050

#### STEEL FIBRES FOR CONCRETE

## PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Novocon® FE-1050 steel fibres are designed specifically for the reinforcement of concrete, mortars and other cementitious mixes. Novocon® FE-1050 is a cold drawn wire fibre, deformed with flat ends (FE) to provide optimum performance within the concrete mix. Novocon® FE-1050 steel fibres are European Standard-EN 14889-1:2006 compliant and have been specifically designed to meet or exceed the defined performance requirements.

## **USES**

- Ground supported slabs
- Precast
- Suspended Floors
- Overlays
- Jointless Floors
- Walls
- External roads & pavements
- Blast-resistant concrete

# **CHARACTERISTICS / ADVANTAGES**

- Provides uniform multi-directional concrete reinforcement
- Increases crack resistance, ductility, energy absorption or toughness of concrete
- Improves impact resistance, fatigue endurance and shear strength of concrete
- High tensile strength fibre bridgies joints and cracks to provide increased load-carrying capacity
- Increased ultimate load-bearing capacity allows possible reduction of concrete section
- Requires less labour to incorporate into concrete than conventional reinforcement
- Offers economical concrete reinforcement solutions with greater project scheduling accuracy
- Ideally suited for hand or vibratory screeds, laser screeds and all conventional finishing equipment
- Requires no minimum amount of concrete cover
- Always positioned in compliance with codes
- Safe and easier to use than traditional reinforcement

- Reduces construction time
- Improved durability

# **APPROVALS / STANDARDS**

- Complies with European Standard EN 14889-1:2006
   Fibres for Concrete Part 1:Group I and carries CE marking
- Conforms to ASTM A820 /A 820M 04, Type 1 cold drawn segment wire

#### **Reference Documents**

- European Standard EN 14889-2: 2006 Fibres for Concrete
- ASTM 820 Standard Specification for Steel Fibres for Fibre-Reinforced Concrete
- ACI 304 Guide for Measuring, Mixing, Transporting and Placing Concrete
- ASTM C1116/C1116M Standard Specification for Fibre-Reinforced Concrete and Shotcrete
- ASTM C1399 Standard Test Method for Obtaining Average Residual-Strength of Fiber Reinforced Concrete
- ASTM C 1550 Standard Test Method for Flexural Toughness of Fibre Reinforced Concrete (Using Centrally Loaded Round Panel)
- ASTM C 1609 /C 1609M Standard Test Method for Flexural Performance of Fibre-Reinforced Concrete (Using Beam With Third-Point Loading)
- JCI-Sf4 Method of Test for Flexural Strength and Flexural Performance of Fiber-Reinforced Concrete (Replaces ASTM C1018)
- Concrete Society (UK) Technical Report 63 Guidance for the Design of Steel Fibre Reinforced Concrete
- Concrete Society (UK) Technical Report 34 Concrete Industrial Floors
- Concrete Society (UK) Technical Report 66 External In-situ Concrete Paving

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## PRODUCT INFORMATION

Chemical Base	Bright and clean wire (flat ends)		
Packaging	Novocon® FE-1050 fibres are available as standard in 25 kg packaging.		
Shelf Life	24 months from date of production if stored properly in undamaged, unopened, original sealed packaging.		
Storage Conditions	The pallets should be protected against rain and snow. Do NOT stack pallets on top of each other.		
Dimensions	Fibre Length	Diameter	Aspect Ratio
	50mm	1.0mm	50

#### **TECHNICAL INFORMATION**

Specific Advice	It is recommended that gloves and eye protection be used when handling or adding Novocon® FE-1050 steel fibres to concrete. Full Safety Data Sheets are available on request.
Tensile Strength	1150 N/mm²

# APPLICATION INFORMATION

Recommended Dosage	The fibre dosage will vary depending on the type of application, concrete mix design and the performance/toughness requirements of each particular project. Typically, steel fibre dosage will be in the range of 20 kg to 40 kg per cubic metre. Sika technical staff can offer advice on dosage requirements once performance requirements have been established by the project designer/engineer.
Compatibility	Novocon® FE-1050 steel fibres are compatible with all curing compounds, superplasticisers, water reducers, hardeners and coatings.

#### APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

#### Mixing

Novocon® FE-1050steel fibres can be added during or after the batching of the concrete but should never be added as the first component. Such devices as conveyor belts, chutes and dispensers may be used to add fibres to the mixer at the ready mix plant. After the fibres have been added, the concrete should be mixed for sufficient time (minimum 5 minutes at full mixing speed) to ensure uniform distribution of the fibres throughout the concrete mix. The use of mid or high-range water reducing admixtures can be advantageous, but is not essential.

#### **Placing**

Novocon® FE-1050 steel fibres can be pumped and placed using conventional equipment. Hand or vibratory screeds and laser screeds can be used with Novocon® FE-1050 steel fibres.

#### **Finishing**

Conventional finishing techniques can be used when finishing Novocon® FE-1050 steel fibre concrete. In some cases, an extra bull float process is advised and lowering the angle of the power float blades will help to minimise fibre exposure on the surface.

#### **VALUE BASE**

All technical data stated in this Product Data Sheet are based on laboratory tests. Actual measured data may vary due to circumstances beyond our control.

## **LOCAL RESTRICTIONS**

Please note that as a result of specific local regulations the performance of this product may vary from country to country. Please consult the local Product Data Sheet for the exact description of the application



# **ECOLOGY, HEALTH AND SAFETY**

For information and advice on the safe handling, storage and disposal of chemical products, users shall refer to the most recent Safety Data Sheet (SDS) containing physical, ecological, toxicological and other safety-related data.

# **LEGAL NOTES**

The information, and, in particular, the recommendations relating to the application and end-use of Sika products, are given in good faith based on Sika's current knowledge and experience of the products when properly stored, handled and applied under normal conditions in accordance with Sika's recommendations. In practice, the differences in materials, substrates and actual site conditions are such that no warranty in respect of merchantability or of fitness for a particular purpose, nor any liability arising out of any legal relationship whatsoever, can be inferred either from this information, or from any written recommendations, or from any other advice offered. The user of the product must test the product's suitability for the intended application and purpose. Sika reserves the right to change the properties of its products. The proprietary rights of third parties must be observed. All orders are accepted subject to our current terms of sale and delivery. Users must always refer to the most recent issue of the local Product Data Sheet for the product concerned, copies of which will be supplied on request.

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