A-40
ACCELERATING & PLASTICIZING ADMIXTURE- NON-CHLORIDE

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION: Specco A-40 is a non-chloride accelerator and water reducing admixture for concrete, that reduces the setting time of the mix, increases strength development, reduces bleeding and segregation and improves workability. A-40 also provides rust protection for all iron rebar. A-40 can be used to accelerate ready mix, mobile mix, block, precast, prestressed, lightweight concrete, mortars and grouts.

BENEFITS:
- Cost effective option verses other types of non-chloride based accelerators
- Reduces set times.
- Improves workability.
- Increases strength development in Portland cement mixes at crucial early stages.
- Can be used for integrally colored concrete or mortar mixes with no changes to color hue

LEED CREDIT CONSIDERATIONS: MR Credits 5.2: Regional materials-Greater than 20% extracted, processed and manufactured regionally at production location: Kanakakee, Illinois 60901. 90%. Content- Harvested within 500 miles.

COMPOSITION: A solution of non-chloride, rust-inhibiting accelerators and superplasticizers. A-40 does not contain any calcium chloride or intentionally added chlorides that would initiate or promote corrosion of reinforcement steel, or contribute to efflorescence.

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<th>PHYSICAL PROPERTIES at 70° F (21°C)</th>
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<td>Weight per gallon</td>
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<td>Viscosity –Brookfield</td>
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TECHNICAL DATA: Specco A-40 Accelerator is formulated to comply with ASTM C-494 Type C and E guidelines.

DOSAGE: Specco A-40 is typically dosed at 16-32 oz. per 100 lbs. of cement (1040-2080 ml/100 kg) for most applications. The dosage can be increased as needed to accelerate the setting time and both early and ultimate strength gain, or if colder application temperatures are present. Specco recommends a field test or trial mix be run in order to determine the optimum dosage needed for set time and rate of strength gain requirements. The dosage will vary with jobsite temperatures and air movement, concrete temperature and mass; mix design components or other admixtures, as well as heat, insulation, or windbreak protective measures used.

DIRECTIONS FOR USE. Specco A-40 Accelerator must be added to the batch water and aggregates. Do not add A-40 to dry cement. A-40 Accelerator contains a high range water reducer that reduces water requirements approximately 5% to 7%. When used to protect concrete from freezing, dosage will vary with different types of cement and ambient temperatures.

CAUTIONS: For temperatures below 32° F (0° C) use warm water and heated aggregates to keep the concrete temperature above 60° F (16ºC) if possible. Refer to ACI 306.1 report “Standard Specification for Cold Weather Concreting” for recommended protection methods of concrete placement in sub-freezing temperatures. Keep mortar from freezing until a minimum of 1,000psi (7 Mpa) is achieved. Do not use severely frozen aggregates, block or bricks.
CAUTIONS: In extremely cold weather, provide heated enclosures. Do not exceed 90º F at any time. **A-40 Accelerator** will freeze at 15º F, but may be completely restored by thawing at room temperature and thoroughly mechanically agitating. Do not use pressurized air for mixing or agitation. **A-40 Accelerator** should be stirred before using if the material has set for an extended period (3-6 months).

**GHS HAZARD RATINGS: WARNING:**

**IRRITANT:** SKIN IRRITATION.

FIRST AID: Refer to product S.D.S. (Safety Data Sheet) for complete health and safety information before using this product. FOR MEDICAL EMERGENCIES ONLY – CALL INFOTRAC AT 800-535-5053.

WARNINGS & SAFETY INFORMATION: **A-40 Accelerator** is designed for use by qualified professional contractors and trained applicators. Although it is non-corrosive to skin, avoid prolonged skin contact. Wash skin with soap and water if exposed to avoid irritation. Wear splash resistant eye protection and impervious gloves when handling. There are no fumes associated with **A-40 Accelerator** when applied manually by high volume, low pressure or pump up sprayers. Keep containers closed. Avoid ingestion, skin and eye contact and inhalation of the spray mist. Keep away from food and drink. Wash hands thoroughly after use and before eating. DO NOT TAKE INTERNALLY. FOR INDUSTRIAL USE ONLY. KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.

**H.M.I.S. CODES:**
HEALTH = 1, FLAMMABILITY = 0, REACTIVITY = 0, PERSONAL PROTECTION = C (GLOVES, GOGGLES, APRON)

**SHIPPING NAME:** Concrete Admixture - Water base - Not regulated.

**SHIPPING CLASS:** ITEM 33880, SUB 2, Freight Class 55.

**STORAGE:** Ideal storage is between 60º F to 80º F

**SHELF LIFE:** 1 year properly stored.

**PACKAGING:** 1 Gallon (3.78 L), 5 Gallon (18.9 L), 55 Gallon (208 L), 265 Gallon (1000 L) containers.

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