

# MasterCell® 30

# Foaming Agent for Controlled Low Strength Materials (CLSM)

# Description

MasterCell 30 admixture meets the requirements of ASTM C 869, "Standard Specification for Foaming Agents Used in Making Preformed Foam for Cellular Concrete."

# **Applications**

Recommended for use in:

- Tunnel Annulus Grouting
- Floor Fill
- Nuclear Decommissioning
- Thermal Insulation
- Basement Abandonment
- Unstable Soil Replacement
- Mining Backfill
- Slab Jacking
- Pipeline/Storage Tank Abandonment
- Roof Decks
- Pipe Bedding
- Roadbase/Abutment Fill
- Load-Reducing Fill
- Void Fill
- Mine Abandonment
- Slipliner Grouting
- Trench Fill
- Backfill
- Structural Fill
- Highway Barriers
- Lightweight Precast Panels

MasterCell 30 admixture is a highly concentrated foaming agent for use in producing Controlled Low Strength Materials (CLSM), and engineered, cellular cementitious mixtures (mortar, concrete, or grout) for numerous applications. MasterCell 30 admixture is suitable for use in combination with various types of foam generating equipment, especially equipment that generates foam via air pressure such as the Master Builders Solutions foam generating equipment.

#### **Features**

- Liquid, easy to dispense
- Produces stable air and density (unit weight)
- Pre-selected strength and density values

#### **Benefits**

- Good thermal insulation
- Reduced bleeding, consequently reduced segregation
- Optimum workability
- Easy placement by means of chutes, pumps, or buckets
- Lightweight structural material

#### **Performance Characteristics**

#### Example

Cement Factor, lb/yd³ (kg/m³)	600 (356)
Water, lb/yd³ (kg/m³)	270 (160)
w/c	0.45
Target Density, lb/ft³ (kg/m³)	35 (561)
Initial Density, lb/ft³ (kg/m³)	118 (1890)
Density After Foaming, lb/ft³ (kg/m³)	36.8 (590)
<b>Density After Pumping, lb/ft³ (kg/m³)</b> 50 ft (15.2 m) 100 ft (30.5 m) 150 ft (45.7 m)	37.8 (606) 40.7 (652) 40.6 (650)
Compressive Strength at 7 days, psi (after foaming after pumping 150 ft (45.7 m)	<b>MPa)</b> 60 (0.41) 100 (0.69)
Compressive Strength at 28 days, psi	(MPa)

after foaming

120 (0.83) after pumping 150 ft (45.7 m) 220 (1.52)

Laboratory mixture. Foamed material pumped 150 ft (45.7 m) in increments of 50 ft  $(15.2 \, \text{m})$ 

#### **Guidelines for Use**

Dosage: There is no standard dosage for MasterCell 30 admixture foaming agent. The dosage is dependent upon the required density and end use. A trial evaluation must be conducted to determine the foaming time necessary to obtain the required density. Contact your local sales representative for mixture proportioning assistance.

Air Pressure Systems: MasterCell 30 admixture is a ready-to-use solution for producing lightweight cellular concrete.

#### **Pre-Foamed Method:**

- 1. Dilute MasterCell 30 admixture with water at a 40:1 ratio.
- 2. Using the Master Builders Solutions foam generating equipment adjust the amount of compressed air and flow of diluted MasterCell 30 admixture in order to obtain appropriate foam volume.
- 3. Introduce foam into either a continuous mixer or agitator truck directly and mix well with mortar or concrete.

## **Product Notes**

When needed, set-controlling admixtures (i.e., accelerators or retarders) meeting ASTM C 494/C 494M requirements may be used to control the rate of set. However, the set-controlling admixture should be added separately to the mixture.

# Storage and Handling

Storage Temperature: MasterCell 30 admixture can be stored at 34 °F (1 °C) or above. Low temperatures may cause flocculation (clumping) of the material.

If flocculation occurs, allow product to warm at room temperature, 70 to 73 °F (21 to 23 °C) and reconstitute by gentle agitation. Do not use pressurized air for agitation.

Handling: Any prolonged contact with MasterCell 30 admixture should be avoided, as it may cause irritation. If such contact occurs, the affected area should be washed thoroughly with water. In case of eye contact, seek immediate medical advice. When using MasterCell 30 admixture, the use of chemical gloves and goggles are recommended.

**Shelf Life:** MasterCell 30 admixture has a shelf life of 12 months. Depending on storage conditions, the shelf life may be greater than stated. Please contact your local sales representative regarding suitability for use and dosage recommendations if the shelf life of MasterCell 30 admixture has been exceeded.

### **Packaging**

MasterCell 30 admixture is supplied in 3 gal (11.4 L) pails, 55 gal (208 L) drums and 275 gal (1,040 L) totes.

#### **Related Documents**

Safety Data Sheets: MasterCell 30 admixture

#### Additional Information

For additional information on MasterCell 30 admixture or its use in developing a concrete or mortar mixture, contact your local sales representative.

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