

**New generation of polycarboxylic ether plasticizer, specially designed for use in Manufactured Concrete Products**

**Description of Product**

RheoFIT<sup>®</sup> 771 is an innovative multi-purpose plasticizer based on polycarboxylic ether polymers, specially developed for earth-dry concrete. At the same time, RheoFIT<sup>®</sup> 771 accelerates the strength development, increases the tolerance to changes in moisture content and reduces the cycle time whilst the appearance is maintained or even improved.

Thanks to its unique principle of action on the cement grain, RheoFIT<sup>®</sup> 771 fully exploits the hydration potential of cement resulting in higher early strengths and shorter curing times.

**FIT 4 VALUE:**

RheoFIT<sup>®</sup> 771 is a key component to BASF's FIT 4 VALUE concept.

FIT 4 VALUE considers the four elements essential for MCP Manufactures:

- FIT for Economics
- FIT for Performance
- FIT for Aesthetics
- FIT for Durability

Here, FIT means meeting every requirement for economics, performance, aesthetics and durability.

**Fields of Application**

RheoFIT<sup>®</sup> 771 is suitable for Manufacturing Concrete Products, especially:

- Pavers
- Pipes & Drainage Products
- Blocks

**Features and Benefits**

RheoFIT<sup>®</sup> 771 offers the following benefits for the MCP industry to:

- Optimised mix design
- Increased tolerance to variation of moisture content in the mix and consequently, more homogenous mix properties
- Enhanced productivity due to shorter cycle time
- Higher early strength
- Optimised curing cycles due to shorter curing times

**Technical Data/Typical Properties**

Appearance	Brown liquid
Specific gravity @ 20°C	1.13 g/cm <sup>3</sup>
pH-value	6.0
Alkali content (%)	Less than or equal to 0.50
Chloride content (%)	Less than or equal to 0.10
Chlorine content (%)	Less than or equal to 0.10

**Application Procedure**

RheoFIT<sup>®</sup> 771 is a liquid ready-to-use admixture to be added to the concrete during the mixing process. The best results are obtained when the admixture is added after all the other components are already in the mixer and after the addition of at least 80% of the total water. The water content is adjusted to obtain the desired consistence or workability.

**Dosage rate**

The normally recommended dosage rate is 0.2 to 1.0 litres per 100 kg of cement.

Other dosages may be used in special cases according to specific job site conditions. In this case please consult our Technical Services Department.

## Compatibility

RheoFIT<sup>®</sup> 771 is compatible and recommended for use with:

- RheoFIT<sup>®</sup> 742, colour enhancer
- RheoFIT<sup>®</sup> 743/744, water repellent, to reduce water absorption (e.g. EN 1338, class 2 B)
- Rheofinish<sup>®</sup> 299C, cleaning and protection agent
- Rheofinish<sup>®</sup> 314J and 340M, form release agent, to enhance appearance

RheoFIT<sup>®</sup> 771 is not compatible with the RHEOBUILD<sup>®</sup> and GLENIUM<sup>®</sup> superplasticizers.

## Packaging

RheoFIT<sup>®</sup> 771 is available in 25 litre containers, 205 litre drums and 1000 litre (IBC) tanks.

## Storage

RheoFIT<sup>®</sup> 771 must be stored in original sealed containers and at temperatures between 5°C and 30°C. Store under cover, out of direct sunlight and protect from extremes of temperature. Failure to comply with the recommended storage conditions may result in premature deterioration of the product or packaging. For specific storage advice consult BASF Construction Chemicals (UK) Technical Services Department.

## Shelf Life

If stored in unopened containers according to manufacturer's instructions, the shelf life is 12 months.

## Handling and transportation

No special requirements must be observed while the product is used. Protection gloves and glasses are recommended. Do not eat, drink or smoke during the application. RheoFIT<sup>®</sup> 771 is non-flammable, non-toxic or irritant and is not subject to special transport requirements.

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## Health and Safety

\*For full information on Health and Safety matters regarding this product the relevant Health and Safety Data Sheet should be consulted.

The following general comments apply to all products.

As with all chemical products, care should be taken during use and storage to avoid contact with eyes, mouth, skin and foodstuffs, (which may also be tainted with vapour until the product is fully cured and dried). Treat splashes to eyes and skin immediately. If accidentally ingested, seek medical attention. Keep away from children and animals. Reseal containers after use.

## Spillage

Chemical products can cause damage; clean spillage immediately.

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