

# ALFAMOLDE 7RG

Ceramics

## PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Alfamolde 7RG is a formulated plaster designed for the ceramics industry to produce working moulds for the casting of sanitaryware.

## APPLICATIONS

Sanitaryware

## PRODUCT BENEFITS

- + Specially developed for slip casting
- + Good balance between mechanical properties & absorption

## TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Chemical name	Calcium sulphate hemihydrate
Chemical composition	$\text{CaSO}_4 \cdot \frac{1}{2}\text{H}_2\text{O}$
Minimum gypsum purity (%)	94
Plaster to water Ratio (by weight)	1.37:1
Water to plaster ratio (by weight)	73%
Plaster to water mix ratio (by weight)	100/73
Colour	White
Vicat ring fluidity (cm)	20 ± 3
Initial setting time (minutes)	12 ± 4
Flexural strength (MPa)	5
Brinell hardness (MPa)	20
Dry compressive strength (Mpa)	9
Particle size (% weight retained)	Trace at 200 µm < 2 % at 100 µm
Loose bulk density (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )	550

The technical data outlined represents typical figures only. For further details, please contact Saint-Gobain Formula directly.

## KEY INFORMATION

The recommended plaster to water ratio is between 1.32:1 and 1.42:1, with a mixing time of approx. 2 to 4 minutes. Water and Plaster must be measured carefully to ensure constant performances.

Add the weighed quantity of plaster slowly into the measured volume of water and allow to soak.

The precise consistency to use will need to be adjusted to suit the individual application. Changes to plaster to water ratio will influence product performance particularly setting time and strength.

Mixing utensils should always be clean and free from set plaster.

## PACKAGING AND SHELF LIFE

	Packaging Available	Shelf Life (Month)
Sack	25kg	6
Bulk Tanker	25T	Technical properties noted at receipt of goods

When stored under dry conditions and in its original packaging, the product will have a specified shelf life that commences from the date of manufacture that is displayed on each sack. Shelf life depends on the packaging type. For those products where a defined 'best before' date is applicable, BBE (Best Before End) followed by the date will be displayed on each sack.

## STORAGE

Plaster based products are not recommended for conditions where they are likely to be located externally or in any way subjected to weathering or excessive dampness.

Absorption of moisture can result to physical properties, including a reduction in the set strength of plasters and also a lengthening of setting time.

To help protect the product during use, open or part used bags should be carefully folded and closed. Each bag is date stamped and stocks should be rotated so that the oldest material is used first.

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