

CASTING PLASTER

Ceramics

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Casting Plaster is a hemihydrate unformulated plaster designed to produce working moulds for the slip casting of ceramic tableware.

PRODUCT BENEFITS

- + Designed for slip casting
- + High purity
- + Easy to use

APPLICATIONS

Tableware

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Chemical name	Calcium sulphate hemihydrate
Chemical composition	$\text{CaSO}_4 \cdot \frac{1}{2}\text{H}_2\text{O}$
Plaster to water ratio (by weight)	1.47:1
Water to plaster ratio (by weight)	68%
Plaster to water mix ratio (by weight)	100/68
Colour	off white
Vicat ring fluidity (cm)	16 - 22
Initial setting time (minutes)	10 - 16
Final setting time (minutes)	22 - 32
Linear expansion (%)	<0.20
Flexural strength (MPa)	>4.5
Bulk density (loose) (kg/m^3)	600-700
Water absorption (%)	>30%

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 1.40:1 and 1.55:1, with a mixing time of approx. 2 to 4 minutes, depending on batch size. Mixing utensils should always be clean and free from set plaster. Use distilled water only. For consistent results, attention must be given to the correct proportioning and mixing of the plaster and water. Add the weighed quantity of plaster slowly into the measured volume of water and allow to soak. Do not mix fresh plaster with that which has been mixed for some time previously. Changes to plaster to water ratio will influence product performance, particularly setting time and strength.

PACKAGING AND SHELF LIFE

	Packaging Available	Shelf Life (Month)
Sack	25 kg	6
Bulk Bag	1 T	6

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.

ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH AND SAFETY

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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 in changes 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.