

## PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Crystacal C3 is an alpha based plaster. This product is used for high demanding investment powder formulations when high mechanical properties are essential. It can be used as base plaster in formulations.

## PRODUCT BENEFITS

- + Very strong mechanical behaviour
- + Designed for demanding investment powder formulation

## APPLICATIONS

Other

## TECHNICAL INFORMATION

| Plaster to Water Ratio                                       |  |
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| Plaster to Water Ratio (by weight)                           | 2.86:1                                   |
| Water to plaster ratio (by weight)                           | 35%                                      |
| Plaster to water mix ratio (by weight)                       | 100/35                                   |
| Chemical Properties  |  |
| Chemical Name  | Calcium Sulphate Hemihydrate             |
| Chemical Composition   | CaSO <sub>4</sub> , 1/2 H <sub>2</sub> O |
| Colour   | White                                    |
| Colorimeter (L value)  | 91.5 to 95.5                             |
| Colorimeter (a value)  | -0.5 to 1.5                              |
| Colorimeter (b value)  | 1.5 to 5.0                               |
| Setting Parameters   |  |
| Initial setting time (minutes)                               | 5  |
| Linear Expansion (%)   | 0.55%                                    |
| Final setting time (minutes)                                 | 7  |
| Mechanical Properties  |  |
| Dry compressive strength (Mpa)                               | > 44                                     |
| Wet Compressive strength (Mpa)                               | > 20                                     |
| Physical Properties  |  |
| Particle Size Distribution (mesh size and % weight retained) | 0.15% at 250 µm                          |

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

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

Additional technical characteristics:

- + pH= 5 to 8
- + Specific surface area 4000 to 5000 cm<sup>2</sup>/g

## PACKAGING AND SHELF LIFE

|         | Packaging Available | Shelf Life (Month)                                  |
|---------|---------------------|---|
| Big Bag | 1400 kg             | 6   |
| Bulk    | 30 T                | Technical properties noted are 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.

## ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH AND SAFETY

Material Safety Data Sheets of Saint-Gobain Formula plasters and gypsum minerals are available for all products and may be obtained directly on our website in the [product](#) and [documentation](#) sections. No liability is accepted by Saint-Gobain Formula for injury to any person or loss or damage to property by improper use of the product.

## NOTIFICATION

The plaster to water ratios quoted are those used in Saint-Gobain Formula's standard test methods and are not necessarily those used in practice. 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. Unless otherwise stated, Saint-Gobain Formula's standard test methods apply. To obtain a copy of the test method, please contact Saint-Gobain Formula directly. This literature cancels and replaces any previous document. All information given is provided in good faith and may be subject to change. It's advisable to contact Saint-Gobain Formula in case of any doubt arising from the content of such information.

## 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.

Gypsum minerals can be affected by absorption of moisture and may change physical properties.

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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