

### **Dramix®**

# Our recommendations, from handling to pumping

## Stacking of units

# Safety precautions

#### **Transport**

- · By truck: no stacking allowed
- By container: allowed with precautions\*
- Warehouse storage
- · Racks: no stacking allowed
- Floor: allowed with precautions\*

### Handling







#### Before adding fibres

#### Maximum dosage depends on:

- · Concrete composition
- · Placing method
- Type of application

#### **Bekaert recommendations:**

- Preferably use a central batching plant mixer
- · A continuous grading and sieve curve
- Sufficient fines and mortar content

#### Note:

· Depending on dosage and fibre type, fibres reduce the slump

\* Precautions: obtain stability of the upper unit (e.g. put wooden plate in between)

- Adjust required consistency preferably with mid-range or high-range water reducers
- If you plan to work with glued fibres, stored in < 6° C, in combination with automatic dosing systems, please contact our organization beforehand.

#### Dosing

#### Plant mixers

- Introduce fibres together with sand and aggregates, OR: Add fibres to fresh mixed concrete
- · Never add fibres as a first component

#### **Truck mixers**

- · Add fibres continuously at a maximum of 40 kg/min
- · Never add fibres as a first component
- Never fill drum completely with concrete in order to achieve even fibre distribution

#### **Mixing**

#### Plant mixers

No special mixing requirements in terms of speed or time of mixing.

#### **Truck mixers**

- Run maximum drum rotation during the addition of fibres.
- After addition of fibres, continue mixing the concrete for 1 min./m³ with a minimum of 5 minutes.

Mixing time depends on the efficiency of the mixing equipment

#### **Quality control**

- Workability
- · Air content
- Separation of fibre bundles when using glued fibres
- · Homogenious fibre distribution in the concrete

Before using fibre concrete, a preliminary test must be done

#### **Pumping**

Hose diameter > 80 mm

Place the shute min. 35 cm above the concrete pump hopper grill.

For complicated pump lines or concrete compositions, a trial is recommended prior to execution

