# **Technical Datasheet**



## Formwork Retarders

#### Description

An environmentally friendly, non-flammable pigmented retarder designed to produce an exposed aggregate surface which gives an excellent key for subsequent concreting or surface treatments. Ideal for construction joints and rendering applications.

#### Advantages

- Eliminates the need for expensive and detrimental bush hammering
- Hard abrasion resistant film which is not easily displaced during concrete placement
- Can be applied onto all types of formwork both absorbent and non-absorbent
- Water based and has very low odour. Ideal for areas of poor ventilation
- Pigmented white to assist in uniform application
- Surface produced provides an excellent key for subsequent treatments
- Fully biodegradable

### **Technical Information**

Drying Time	1-2 Hours
Specific Gravity	1.32
Viscosity	Brushable paste
Coverage	6-10m <sup>2</sup> /litre depending on surface porosity
Stability	≥6 months, when stored at normal temperatures.

#### **Application Instructions**

1. Ensure the material is well stirred before use.

2. Apply by brush or roller one full coat. Aquatard will cure between one and two hours depending on ambient temperature. A second coat can then be applied

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3. The film should be allowed to dry before placing concrete.

4. Once applied the Aquatard Formwork must be protected from frost, snow and rain.

5. Concrete must be placed carefully to ensure the retarder is not removed prematurely.

6. Upon stripping the formwork, between 8-24 hours after concreting, the surface should be brushed and washed to remove the surface retarded matrix.

7. Clean formwork and equipment with cold water.

Note: Aquatard FWR will be removed along with retarded concrete.

#### Packaging

Aquatard Formwork Retarder is supplied in 5 litre containers.

#### Storage

The shelf life is 6 months when stored unopened in dry, normal conditions and away from direct sunlight. Protect from frost.





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#### **Health & Safety**

Product Safety Data Sheets (SDS) are available from Nufins. SDS sheets are provided to help customers satisfy their safe handling, use and disposal needs as well as assist with any conformance requirements made locally by health and safety regulations.

SDS are continually updated to provide the very latest information to our customers. We therefore recommend contacting our head office to obtain the most recent and accurate SDS before handling and using any product.

#### Limitations

Certain concrete admixtures can have a negating action with Aquatard Formwork Retarder. A trial area be prepared if admixtures are to be utilised. Remove splashed with clean water immediately.

#### **General Notes**

Varying factors affect the degrees of retardation. It is recommend that sample tests are carried out before proceeding with the main body of the work. Please note that small test panels may not be representative of larger units due to the exotherm produced in the latter.

Where a higher than average exotherm and/or ambient temperature is envisaged, please refer to the manufacturer.

#### Disclaimer

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Users must always refer to the most recent issue of the Technical Datasheets, copies of which will be supplied on request.

#### **Technical Support**

Through our technical department and laboratories we can offer a comprehensive service to specifiers and contractors. Technical contacts are available to provide further information and arrange demonstrations.



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