

MasterFlow 980

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DESCRIPTION

MasterFlow 980 is a specially prepared, ready-to-use, non-shrink, high-strength grout, made with sulphate resistant Portland cement (HSR LA). It is formulated for use at any consistency from flowable to damp pack for precision grouting of equipment, concrete systems, structural building members, curtain walls, precast wall panels, beams and columns. It contains natural aggregates and provides a grout that is similar in appearance to concrete and mortar.

MasterFlow 980 is the ideal product to use for a natural coloured grout. The maximum grain size is 8 mm.

ADVANTAGES

- A ready-to-use grout that hardens free of bleeding, settlement of drying shrinkage when mixed and placed at any consistency: flowable, plastic or damp pack.
- A grout that retains good workability even after 1 hour at 20°C.
- A non-shrink grout that can be pumped into intricate areas or areas inaccessible to conventional grouting methods.
- A non-shrink grout for use where a grout similar in appearance to concrete and mortar is required or desired.
- A non-shrink, dense grout which contains no gas-generating or air-release agents such as aluminium powder, fluid coke, etc.
- A grout that develops high strengths at flowable consistency without vertical confinement.

APPLICATIONS

MasterFlow 980 is recommended for:

- Grouting precision equipment, baseplates, sole-plates, and columns.
MasterFlow 980 contains 8 mm silica quartz to reduce hydration heat.
If a layer thickness above 10 cm is required, we recommend the use of MasterFlow 980.
- Grouting application where shrinkage must be eliminated and where high-strength grout similar in appearance to concrete and mortar is required or desired.
- Non-shrink grouting of precast wall panels, beams and columns, anchor bolts and reinforcing bars.

STRENGTH DEVELOPMENT

The strength of the grout is often the determining factor in deciding when loads can be put on structural members or machinery that were grouted. The strength of the grout depends on:

- the amount of mixing water

- the temperature of the object grouted
- curing
- age of the hardened grout.
- ambient temperature and humidity.

The table below gives the minimal average strengths of 25 kg MasterFlow 980 at 20°C, mixed with 2,50 litres of water.

Days	Compressive strength Flowable* MPa (N/mm ²)	Flexural strength Flowable* MPa (N/mm ²)
1	30	5
7	55	6,5
28	65	8

Compressive and flexural strength tested by ASTM C-348 and C-349 on prism (4 x 4 x 16 cm).

* Flow between 450 and 550 mm in the flow trough.
Maximal air content: 5,0%.

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EN 1504-6 Cement based grout / Anchoring of reinforcing steel bar EN 1504-6 Principles 4.2	
Pull-out strength	Displacement ≤ 0,6 mm at 75 kN load
Chloride ion content	≤ 0,05 %
Reaction to fire	Euroclass A1
Dangerous substances	Complies with 5.3



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Note: The data shown are based on controlled laboratory tests. Reasonable variations from the results shown can be expected. Field and laboratory tests should be controlled on the basis of the desired placing consistency rather than strictly on the water content.

If the work requires that strength tests be made at the jobsite or in the laboratory, do not use cylinder moulds. Consult your BASF-CC representative for special procedures required when mixing and casting cubes of flowable, non-shrink grout for compressive strength tests.

PREPARATION OF THE GROUT

Do not add cement, sand or other materials to this quality-controlled product. For a grout with smaller grain building, we recommend to use MasterFlow 928. Do not use the contents of packages that are damaged or broken.

Use one or more mixers to permit mixing and placing operations to proceed simultaneously without interruption.

DO NOT MIX BY HAND.

Mix with potable water only. Put 3/4 of the water required in the mixer first, then slowly and steadily add the grout. Mix until smooth (2-3 minutes), add the rest of the water and continue to mix for at least 2 more minutes.

25 kg of MasterFlow 980 mixed with 2,50 litres of water produces approximately 12,2 litres of grout (flowable).

Use of ice water to produce mixed grout temperatures of +5°C to +35°C will reduce water required for a given consistency and increase strength and working time accordingly. Do not retemper grout by adding water or remixing after it stiffens.

DIRECTIONS FOR PRECISION GROUTING

1. PREPARATION OF THE FOUNDATION AND MACHINE

Clean out bolt holes and have foundation area to be grouted thoroughly clean, rough but level. To achieve a good bonding surface, the use of a small chipping hammer is preferable to the use of a bush hammer.

For maintaining proper elevation, base plates should be aligned and firmly bolted down, prior to grouting.

2. WATER SATURATION

Saturate the cleaned foundation and any bolt holes with water for at least 6 hours, preferably 24 hours. Just before grouting, remove all free water.

Always grout the clean, saturated (no free water) bolts first. If all free water cannot be removed, contact your local BASF-CC representative for suggested placing methods.

3. FORMS

Build strong, tight, well-braced forms.

On the grout-placing side, slant the form at approximately 45° outward and extend this form suitably high to provide a head of grout during placement. Grout should be poured directly on the sloped form to minimize entrapment of air during placement. Use methods of forming that will allow the grout to flow by gravity between the plate and the foundation and keep the grout in full contact with these surfaces until it has hardened.

4. PLACEMENT OF THE GROUT

After MasterFlow 980 has been mixed following the suggested procedure (see "Preparation of the grout"), the placing operation can be started as follows:

Before grouting, determine if there is excess vibration of the foundation or baseplate caused by nearby operating equipment.

Consider shutting down this source of vibration until after the newly-placed grout has taken final set. Excessive vibration can cause settlement and bleeding and disturb the set. Vibration can be determined by observing any disturbance of the surface of water in a pan resting on the base plate or foundation to be grouted.

Before pumping or dry packing MasterFlow 980, discuss the condition with the local BASF-CC representative.

When grouting in environments below +5°C or above +35°C, contact BASF-CC for our Hot Weather or Cold Weather grouting bulletins and/or job-site service.

Mix and place grout as close as possible to the plate being grouted. Have sufficient manpower, materials and tools to make mixing and placing rapid and continuous. Where grout must flow some distance, make the initial batch slightly more flowable than required; this lubricates the surfaces and avoids blockage of the grout that follows. The grout shall be poured continuously and from one side only to avoid entrapment of air while grouting. Make sure grout fills the entire space to be grouted and remains in contact with the plate throughout all of the grouting placement. DO NOT VIBRATE.

5. PRECAUTIONS

The temperature of both the grout and elements coming into contact with the grout should be in the range of +5°C to +30°C. Do not use water in an amount or at a temperature that will produce a consistency more than flowable or cause mixed grout to bleed or segregate.

When the grout will be in contact with steel which is or will be stressed to over 550 MPa, do not use MasterFlow 980. Contact your local BASF-CC representative in this case.

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6. CURING

Immediately after MasterFlow 980 is placed, cover all exposed grout with clean wet rags (burlap) and keep these moist until grout surface is ready to be finished, or until final set. Never remove forms or cut back grout below underside of object grouted before grout has hardened sufficiently to prevent penetration with a pointed mason trowel. Following removal of moist rags, forms, or finishing of shoulders, coat exposed grout with MasterTop CC 713 curing compound.

7. NOTE

The fatigue and impact resistance of MasterFlow 980 is exceeded only by metallic reinforced non-catalyzed MasterFlow 4800. The specially prepared metallic aggregate in this product contributes to impact resistance, a desirable property of grout to be subjected to severe dynamic operating forces and repetitive loading such as found in steel and aluminium rolling mills, crane rails, heavy presses, etc. For additional information on MasterFlow 980 or other non-shrink grouting materials, contact your local BASF-CC representative.

PACKING, STORAGE AND SHELF LIFE

MasterFlow 980 is packaged in 25 kg moisture-resistant bags. Do not use the product if bag is damaged. Kept frost-free and dry, MasterFlow 980 can be stored for 12 months in the tightly closed original packages.

WARNING!

As with other products containing Portland cement, the cementitious material in MasterFlow 980 may cause irritation. Avoid contact with eyes and prolonged contact with skin. In case of contact with eyes, immediately flush with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Call a physician. In case of contact with skin, wash skin thoroughly. Keep product out of reach of children. Consult the Material Safety Data Sheet for further information regarding this product.

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