

ULTIMATE DATA

HYDRALIME

Product Data Sheet

A high-calcium, non-hydraulic, hydrated lime which conforms to the requirements of BS EN 459-1 *Building Lime*.

BUILDING APPLICATIONS

Hydralime is a quality-assured BS EN 459-1 CL 90-S hydrated lime, with independent third-party certification and carries CE marking. Hydralime is used to improve the plasticity, cohesiveness and water retention of Portland cement mortars and renders.

Hydralime may be used with Procem, Mastercrete, General Purpose Cement, Ferrocrete, Snowcrete and Sulfacrete.

Note that as Hydralime is non-hydraulic, it is not suitable for use in mortars and renders without a Portland cement.

The maximum benefit of Hydralime can be obtained by its use in a lime putty. This is produced by adding an excess of Hydralime to water in a clean container with constant stirring to form a paste, which is allowed to condition by standing for 24 hours before use. Do not allow to dry out during this time.

Guidance on mortar and render mixes and their suitability for various locations and conditions is given in the following:

- BS EN 1996-1-1: Eurocode 6 - *Design of masonry structures*.
- BRE Digest 362: *Building Mortar*.
- BSI PD 6678: *Guide to the specification of masonry mortar*.
- BS EN 13914-1: *Design, preparation and application of external rendering and internal plastering*.

A mortar of 1:1.5 to 6 (by vol) Portland cement:Hydralime:sand is equivalent to a 1:5-6 (by vol) Portland cement:sand + plasticiser in plasticity and strength.

MANUFACTURE

Hydralime is manufactured by the following method:

- Calcining limestone or chalk in a kiln at high temperature to produce quicklime.
- Hydrating (slaking) the quicklime under carefully-controlled conditions to produce a fine, dry, white, calcium hydroxide powder.



STORAGE

As Hydralime readily absorbs moisture and carbon dioxide it should be stored in a cool, dry, draught-free building. Packs should be stored flat, clear of the ground and away from walls to avoid the possibility of condensation.

This product should be stored in unopened bags and should be stacked in a safe and stable manner.

AVAILABILITY

Hydrated lime is available in 25 kg bags throughout the United Kingdom.

CONDITIONS OF USE

- Hydralime may not be used for general concreting, screeds or grout.
- For mortars and renders Hydralime should always be mixed with cement and sand components.
- The final finish quality of this material will depend on the operative having the required skills and a familiarity with the material and its application methods.
- Normal site practice to the relevant British and European Standards should always apply. Lafarge Tarmac Cement cannot be held responsible where workmanship has not been carried out in accordance with good practice.
- Manual handling should comply with *The Manual Handling Operations Regulations 1992*.

TECHNICAL SUPPORT

Further information and advice on this product and the full range of Lafarge Tarmac Cement products can be obtained through the contacts listed below.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

Contact with Hydralime may cause skin irritation, respiratory irritation and serious eye damage.

For further information refer to the appropriate Lafarge Tarmac Cement Health and Safety Information Sheets.



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