

# TECHNICAL INFORMATION SHEET

## Admixtures No.2 - Spillage Control

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Although all admixtures are chemical-based, the majority are water-based, labelled non-hazardous or irritant and many are derived from natural raw material sources such as corn or wood.

The admixtures themselves are generally harmless and safe to handle, but all are supplied with safety data sheets detailing any specific precautions.

Due to the volumes of admixtures stored it is normally good practice for tanks to be bunded and/or located in a bunded area.

The greatest risk from the majority of admixtures comes from their high biological oxygen demand which could cause problems if a large spillage entered the watercourse, drains, rivers etc. For this reason all spillages should be contained and absorbed with an inert absorbent material (e.g. sawdust, sand or earth). Although not essential proprietary spill kits, booms and drain covers are suitable.

A small number of exceptions exist. In these cases the admixtures may be labelled corrosive (due to very high or low pH) or toxic (due to the presence of certain inorganic salts). Specific care and attention should be paid to handling, storage and spill response of any hazardous materials. The use of proprietary spill kits, booms and drain covers are recommended in this instance. Contaminated absorbents may require disposal as hazardous waste.

The above are general recommendations and further reference should be made to the specific product safety datasheet and local and national regulations. Large uncontained spillages should be reported to local authorities.

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