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Technical Data Sheet

Solargel[®]

slurry explosives



Description & Application

Solar Gel is a high strength booster sensitive packaged emulsion explosives suitable for use in most types of blasting applications using small, medium and large diameter holes and represent the latest development in slurry explosives technology.

The product is chemically gassed and is specifically designed for blasts in open cut mines, quarries and construction. Superior rigid gel also ensures good handling.

Its high strength and high velocity of detonation ensures good fragmentation in hard strata and give excellent blast results in quarrying, road cutting, canal excavation and civil construction.

Product is relatively insensitive to accidental initiation due to impact, friction and fire. Hence it is very safe during handling, transportation, storage and usage.

Excellent water resistance allows usage in watery holes. Product has excellent fume characteristics post detonation.

Technical Properties

Nominal Density (g/cc)	1.20 ± 0.05
Relative Weight Strength*	75 %
Relative Bulk Strength*	100 %
Minimum Velocity of Detonation (Km/Sec)	3.5

*Compared to ANFO@ 0.85 g/cc

Notes :

1. REE is the Effective Energy relative to ANFO at a density of 0.85g/cc. ANFO has an effective energy of 2.30 MJ/kg.
2. VOD will depend on application including explosive density, blasthole diameter, temperature and degree of confinement. The minimum VOD quoted is based on unconfined test firing data and calculated energy values.

Packaging

Solar Gel is packaged in plastic film/layflats. Each box contains nominally 25kg of product with standard cartridge sizes and counts as follows :

Diameter mm	Nominal length mm	Nominal Mass gm	Cartridge per Box
83	460	2780	9
125	460	6250	4

Other diameter/grams combinations can be offered on request.

Recommendations for Use

- Excellent water resistance and high density allow use in wet blastholes.
- Requires Booster for reliable initiation.
- Suitable for use in ground temperatures up to 65°C.
- During charging ensure that cartridges are charged in a continuous column in the bore hole.
- Post detonation fume characteristics of the product make it suitable for both underground and surface blasting applications, however users should ensure that adequate ventilation is provided prior to re-entry into the blast area.
- Avoid extremes of shock, heat, friction or mechanical impact to prevent pre-mature initiation.



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Storage

For the best results, store under moderate temperatures and dry conditions in a well ventilated, approved magazine.

If stored in cool, dry, well ventilated magazine and handled properly, the shelf life of Solar Gel is 6 Months from the date of Manufacturing. However exposure to hot or cold extremes may cause the product to deteriorate pre-maturely.

All regulations pertaining to the handling and use of such explosives apply.

Shipping Information :

Authorised Name of Explosive : SOLAR GEL
Proper Shipping Name : EXPLOSIVE, BLASTING, TYPE E
Class / Div. : 1.1D
UN No. : 0241

Disposal

The disposal of explosives material is dangerous and require special training. Methods used for safe disposal may vary from case to case and will depend upon conditions under which the operations take place. For further information please contact Solar representative in your area.

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