

# MonniRep Fiber

## Fibre Reinforced Shrinkage Controlled Mortar for Concrete Repair

### Product Description

MonniRep Fiber is a cement mortar composed of high resistance hydraulic binders, silica sand, selected aggregates, special additives and synthetic fibers. The ready to use blend is supplied in dry powder which requires the addition of clean water only to produce an easily workable mortar with thixotropic effect.

### Uses

- ▶ Repairs for edges of beams and pillars
- ▶ Risers of balconies & terraces
- ▶ Tunnels
- ▶ Terraces
- ▶ Degrade concrete castings
- ▶ Reconstruction of concrete structural elements-filling honeycombs in reinforced concrete, rigid joints filling, etc.

### Advantages

- ▶ Excellent adhesion to the old concrete
- ▶ Good mechanical resistance both flexure and compression
- ▶ Shrinkage compensation-reduces the risk of cracking
- ▶ Excellent thixotropic behavior
- ▶ Low permeability, gives excellent resistance to attack by Sulphates and other aggressive elements
- ▶ 2cm layer of the cured product is resistant against CO<sub>2</sub> diffusion in the same degree as 15 cm layer of concrete
- ▶ High thickness is achieved without formwork-saving time and expense of multiple applications.

### Usage Instructions

#### Concrete preparation

The surface of the concrete to be repaired should be sound, clean and uncontaminated. The decayed or damaged area to be repaired should be marked. Cut the marked area to a depth of at least 10mm using a hand held concrete saw or disc grinder to avoid feather edging and to provide a square edge. Break out or chip the complete repair area down to sound base using sharp tools or chipping hammer.

Oil and grease deposits should be removed by stiff brushing, detergent scrubbing with a heavy-duty cleaner/degreaser or steam cleaning.

#### Steel preparation

Any corroded steel in the repair area must be fully exposed. All exposed reinforcement shall be cleaned of corrosion products by wet grit blasting or other approved means to achieve a clean and bright finish. In case that reinforcing bars section is reduced due to oxidization, integrate them with additional bar reinforcement.

#### Steel Priming

The cleaned steel should be coated within 3 hours. Apply one coat of MonniRep CS, a corrosion proof cementitious based primer or MonniZinc, a two component Zinc rich EPOXY PRIMER, continuously with brush onto the cleaned bar reinforcement ensuring that the whole steel surface area is completely covered. Allow to dry before proceeding with the repair

#### Concrete Priming

If the concrete deterioration is due to Chloride attack, it is recommended to use MonniBond E50, an epoxy bonding agent. It will cure to form a barrier against Chloride ions.

However if the cause is Carbonation, dampen the surface with clean water (avoiding free standing water) and apply thin coat of MonniLatex ACR, an Acrylic bonding agent.

MonniRep Fiber must be applied before the bonding agent dries while it's still tacky to achieve a better bond between the fresh and cured section.

### Mixing

For mixing process, a slow speed drill (200-300rpm) fitted with a suitable paddle is recommended. Place 4.0-4.5 liters of cold clean water in the mixing bucket. With the drill in operation, add the entire content of the 25 kg bag of MonniRep Fiber while mixing continuously till a uniform lump free consistency mix is achieved. Powder must always be added to water.

Allow the obtained mix to stand for about 3 minutes and then remix before application. Under no circumstances should partial mixing be considered.

### Application

Apply the product manually with a trowel or spatula with full compaction, to primed substrate while it is still tacky.

The minimum applicable coat thickness is 10 mm and the maximum thickness shall be 50 mm for vertical and 25 mm for overhead sections. For small horizontal sections thickness should be from 10mm up to 100 mm. Application thickness is dependent on repair size and granulometry. High build applications can be achieved through temporary formwork.

If the application of the second coat is necessary the previous layer should be cross hatched and allowed to take up its initial set before applying the next coat. Use trowel or sponge for the finishing touch.

### Curing

The repaired area shall be cured in accordance with good concrete curing practice and protected from drying winds, sun or excessive heat. Curing shall be done with non-degradable curing compound MonniCure AR. Alternatively; a wet hessian cloth covered with polyethylene sheet can also be employed. Curing should begin as soon as final finish is achieved.

In fast drying conditions, supplementary curing with Polythene Sheets must be used.

### Cleaning

MonniRep Fiber should be removed from tools and equipment and mixers with clean water immediately after use. Cured material should be removed mechanically.

Equipment used for applying MonniBond E50, the epoxy bonding agent should be cleaned with Monneli Solvent 10.

## Technical Data

Category	Typical Values
Appearance	Grey powder
Density	2.1 Kg/L @ 25°C
VOC	1.0 g/L
Granulometry	0-2.5 mm
Thickness per coat	10-50 mm vertical 10-25 mm overhead 10-100 small pockets & horizontal
Water Impermeability (BS EN 12390 Pt 8)	< 10mm
Water Absorption (BS 1881 Pt 122)	< 2 %
Compressive strength @ @ 7 days @ 28 days (ASTM C 579)	34 N/ mm <sup>2</sup> >45 N / mm <sup>2</sup>
Tensile Strength @ 28 days (BS6319 Pt.7)	>3.5 N / mm <sup>2</sup>
Flexural strength @ 7 days @ 28 days (ASTM C 580)	5 N/ mm <sup>2</sup> 7 N / mm <sup>2</sup>
Drying Shrinkage @ 7 days @ 28 days (ASTM C157-93 )	< 300 microstrain < 500 microstrain
Linear Thermal Expansion (BS 6431-15)	<1 x 10 <sup>-6</sup> μm
Workability	>30 minutes @ 25°C
Application Temperature.	From +5°C to 35°C
Adhesion to concrete @ 28 Days (BS 1881 Pt 207)	1.6 / mm <sup>2</sup>

values are subject to 5-10% tolerance

### Yield

14.0 liters / 25 kg bag with 4.5 liters water addition

### Packaging

MonniRep Fiber is supplied in 25 kg bags

### Shelf Life & Storage

The product must be kept in dry and sheltered place. In these conditions, product shelf life is 12 months.

### Recommendations

- ▶ Do not apply the product at a temperature less than +5°C
- ▶ Do not add water once the mix has begun to set. MonniRep Fiber should not be exposed to running water either during application or prior to final set
- ▶ Do not mix the bag partially  
In warm weather, store the material in cool place. Make sure to use cool water to keep the mixed mortar temperature below 30 °C

### Health & Safety

MonniRep Fiber can be harmful to skin as it contains cement powders which may release alkalis when mixed with water.

During application, wear appropriate protective clothing, goggles, gloves and respiratory equipment if necessary.

In case of contact with skin, rinse with water and again wash thoroughly with soap and water. In case of contact with eyes, rinse with plenty of water and seek medical advice accordingly.

If ingested, obtain medical attention immediately. Do not induce vomiting.

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