# **BENTONE® GS**

### Rheological Additive for Water-Borne Construction Systems

### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

**BENTONE GS** additive is a beneficiated, powdered smectite clay specifically developed for construction applications.

### **CHEMICAL & PHYSICAL PROPERTIES**

Composition	highly beneficiated smectite clay
Color / Form	milky-white, soft powder
Apparent (bulk) density	approx. 0.4 g/cm <sup>3</sup>
Particle Size	25% < 200 mesh minimum

These are typical properties not to be used for specification purposes.

### APPLICATIONS

- (Lime) cement plasters
- Gypsum plasters
- Repair mortars
- Self-leveling floors
- Cement mortars
- Concrete

# **KEY PROPERTIES**

Rheological properties

- provides thermostable viscosity control of the aqueous phase
- imparts thixotropy

Application performance

- enhances texturing and stippling effects
- · improves workability/application of plasters
- reduces surface drag so an enhanced finish
- limits separation

### INCORPORATION

#### General

**BENTONE GS** can be added at any stage of production of a powder-based system like plaster or mortar. It will be fully activated during the normal processing conditions of hand or machine mixing.

Recommended incorporation levels are 0.03% to 0.25% (of the total powder) depending on the desired application properties.

For liquid products it is recommended to add **BENTONE GS** to the water. Mix at highest practical speed for 10 minutes. Then add the other ingredients.

# LEVELS OF USE

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### HEALTH AND SAFETY

Before using this product please consult our Safety Data Sheet (SDS) for information on safe handling and storage. The SDS can be found on the company website.

### STORAGE RECOMMENDATIONS

Store in a cool, dry location.

### SHELF LIFE

**BENTONE GS** has a shelf life of 4 (four) years from date of manufacture.

# **QUALITY ASSURANCE**

Since 1992 the company is a holder of the ISO 9001 / ISO 9002 certificates, which guarantees that all operations are conducted according to the stipulated standards.

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