

# **Estogrout UW**

# Non-Shrink Cementitious Grout For Under Water Installations

### Description

**Estogrout UW** is supplied as a ready to use powder. The addition of a controlled amount of clean water produces a free flowing grout. The grout exhibits exceptional resistance to 'washing-out' of the cement phase when placed in stationary or moving water.

**Estogrout UW** is a blend of cement, graded fine aggregate and chemical additives which impart controlled expansion, water reduction and non 'wash-out' characteristics. The aggregate grading minimises segregation and bleeding whilst assisting the flow characteristics.

#### Uses

**Estogrout UW** is used for free flow or pumped grouting applications underwater or in tidal zones. There will be no significant 'wash-out' of the cement phase. Applications include bridge columns, quay pillars, concrete piling, slipways and dams.

# **Advantages**

- No risk of significant 'wash-out' of cement phase when placed underwater
- Displaces water effectively
- Shrinkage compensated
- High early and ultimate strength and exceptional resistance to freeze-thaw cycling ensure durability of the hardened grout
- Chloride free
- Pre-packaged needing only on-site addition of water

#### **Standards Compliance**

- BS 6319
- BS 5075 : Part 1 : 1982

# **Physical Properties**

The following results were obtained at water: powder ratio of 0.18 at 20°C.

25
35
55
2.0 - 2.5
4.0 - 4.5
Approximately 2200kg/m <sup>3</sup>
dependent on actual
consistency
Controlled expansion
occurs in the unset
material to ensure that the
grout, when cured, will
0 ,
original volume within the
confines of the void in
which it was placed

#### **Application Instructions**

#### Preparation

The substrate surface must be free from oil, grease or any loosely adherent material. If the concrete surface is defective or has laitance, it must be cut to a sound base. Substrates which are permanently immersed should be sand-blasted or cleaned with a high pressure water jet. Non-immersed or intermittently immersed substrates can be prepared using these techniques. Alternatively scabbling or bush hammering may be appropriate.

# Formwork

The formwork should be constructed to be leakproof, as **Estogrout UW** is a free flowing grout, using foam rubber strip or mastic sealant beneath the formwork and between joints. Coat all formwork with **Estoform** to enable easy formwork release.



#### Mixing and placing

#### Mixing

For best results a mechanically powered grout mixer should be used. It is essential that machine mixing capacity and labour availability is adequate to enable the grouting operation to be carried out continuously. This may require the use of a holding tank with provision for gentle agitation to maintain fluidity.

Measure 4.5 to 5.0 litres of water for each 25 kg bag into the mixer. Slowly add the **Estogrout UW** whilst mixing continuously. When all the powder is added mix continuously for 2 minutes ensuring a smooth even consistency is obtained.

### **Placing**

Place the grout within 20 minutes of mixing to gain the full benefit of the expansion process. Continuous grout flow is essential. The mixed grout should be poured or pumped through a flexible tremie tube to the lowest point in the formwork. Care must be taken at the start of the grouting operation to restrict the grout flow so that water is not entrapped. The tube may be raised as necessary to reduce any back pressure. It should not be raised above the surface level of the grout.

#### Curing

Curing will not be required in intermittently or totally submerged situations. However, when cast above water, exposed areas should be thoroughly cured with **Estocure** curing membrane, continuous application of water and/or wet hessian.

# Cleaning

Because of its water resisting properties, equipment used for **Estogrout UW** will be difficult to clean. The use of hot water for cleaning purposes will assist. Cured material can be removed mechanically or with Estop Acid Etch.

# Limitations

Estogrout UW must not be applied below 5°C.

# Packing & Size

Estogrout UW	25 kg bag
Yield	Approx 11 – 13 litres depending on
	water addition

**Note:** Allowance should be made for wastage when estimating quantities required.

### **Technical Support**

Estop offers a comprehensive range of high performance, high quality of repair product for both new and existing concrete surfaces. In addition, the company offers a technical support package to specifiers, end-users and contractors, as well as on-site technical assistance.

#### Storage

**Estogrout UW** has a shelf life of 12 months if kept in a dry store in sealed bags. If stored in high temperature and high humidity locations, the shelf life may be reduced.

#### **Precautions**

**Estogrout UW** contains cement powders which, when mixed or become damp, release alkalis which can be harmful to the skin. During use, avoid inhalation of dust and contact with skin and eyes. Wear suitable protective clothing, gloves, eye protection and respiratory protective equipment. The use of barrier creams provides additional skin protection. In case of contact with skin, rinse with plenty of clean water, then cleanse with soap and water. In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of clean water and seek medical advice. If swallowed, seek medical attention immediately — **do not** induce vomiting.

#### Fire

Estogrout UW is non-flammable.

#### **Additional Information**

Estop manufactures and offers a wide range of complementary products, which includes waterstops, waterproofing products, grouts, anchors, specialized flooring products. In addition, a wide range of products formulated for repair and refurbishment of spalled concrete are available.

# Important Note

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