Improving Curling, Strength, and Taber Abrasion in Cementitious Flooring with Short Stuff[®] Grade E620F



Shrinkage Reducing Admixtures (SRAs)

- Can be used to reduce drying shrinkage and curling, but.....
 - Are costly
 - Reduce Compressive Strength
 - Reduce Taber Abrasion

Short Stuff® E620F

 Reduces curling similarly while maintaining Compressive Strength and improving Taber Abrasion

Drying shrinkage - Mix Design

Product: Short Stuff[®] E620F

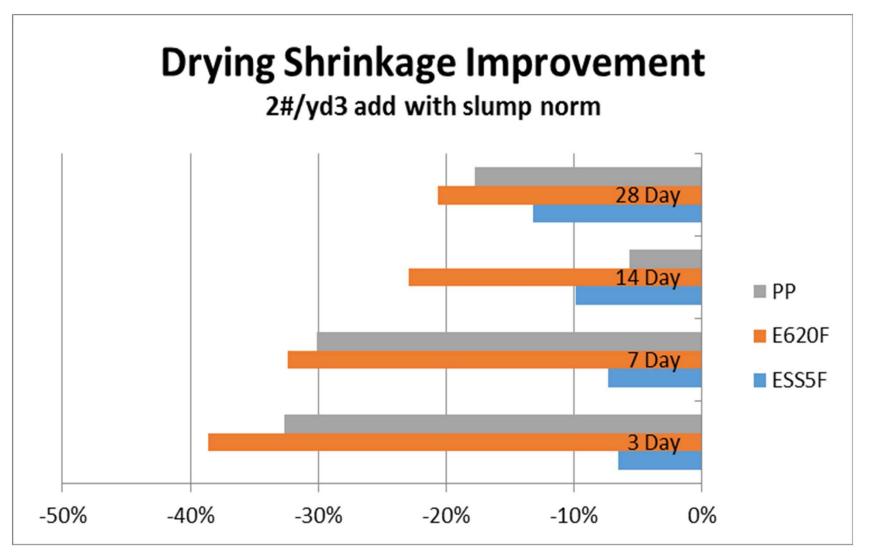
Load, typical: 2.0 #/yd³

Mini Fibers Concrete Mix Design			
Material	Specific Gravity	Weight, lbs.	Volume,cu.ft.
Cement	3.15	635	3.228
3/4" Limestor	2.66	1664	10.026
River Sand	2.65	1409	8.524
Water	1	292.16	4.682
Air Content	2%	0	0.54
Total		4000.16	27

Drying shrinkage - Results

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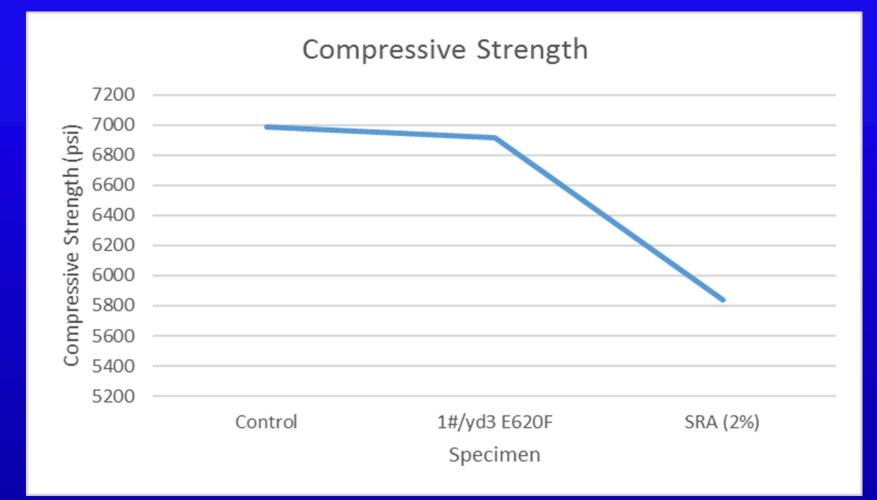


Basic Mix Design

Material	lb./cubic yard			
Lafarge Alpena Type I/II	900			
Natural Fine Agg SSD	2456			
Total Water (Includes SRA Water equiv.)	405			
Other Properties				
Designed Air %	4.0			
Cement /Sand Ratio	0.37			
Water/Cement Ratio	0.45			

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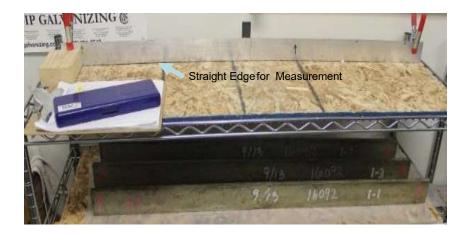
Compressive Strength



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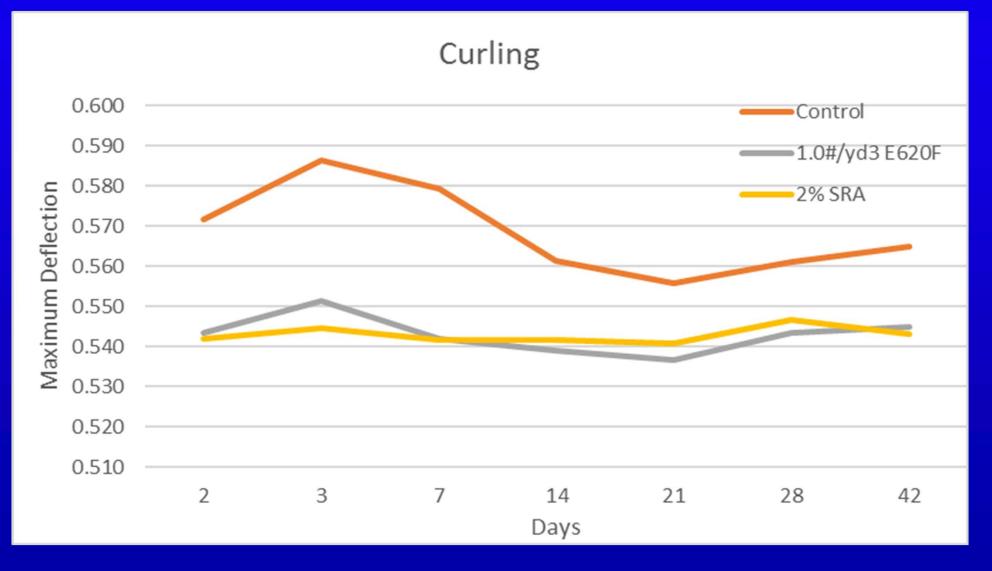
Curling

- Specimens in 50% RH for drying shrinkage
- Only one wide surface for drying
- Sample curls when moisture gradient is created (drier surface)
- Curl decreases once specimen comes to uniform moisture content





Curling Data



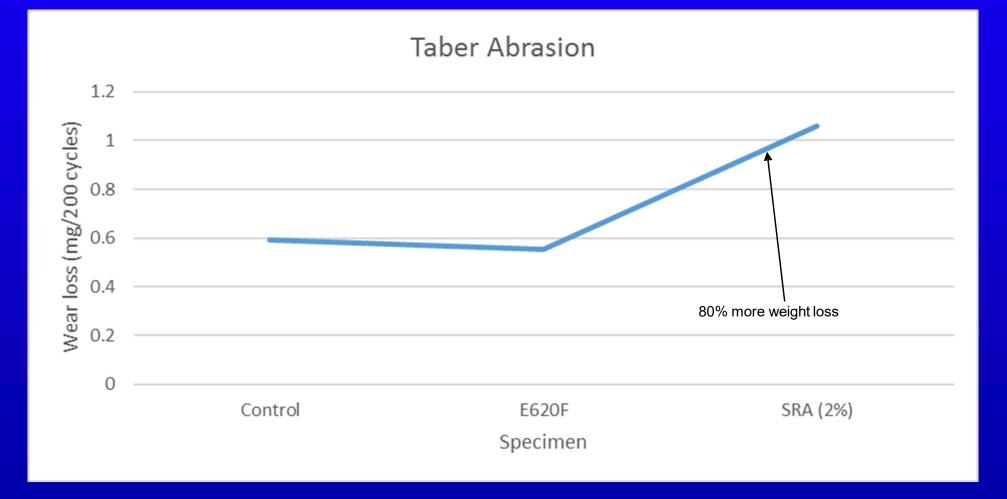
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Taber Abrasion Weight Loss After Abrasion





Taber Abrasion: ASTM G195 and C1803



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Short Stuff® E620F

- Gave equivalent curling reduction vs. an SRA
- Improved compressive strength vs. an SRA
- Improved Taber abrasion resistance vs. an SRA

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