

Contractor Support for the Concrete Repair and Protection of Chimneys and Cooling Towers (in Accordance with EN 1504)



Sika Support for Contractors in the Successful Repair

In Accordance with European Standards EN 1504



Total Project Understanding and Technical Competance



Sika has long been the preferred partner of the pioneering specialist engineers. contractors and access equipment manufacturers, producing tailored products and systems for these very special structures and their unique requirements. In close cooperation with these leading experts Sika has developed problem solving repair and protection systems for all areas of chimney and cooling tower structures, zones 1, 2 and 3 externally, plus internally on large natural draft cooling towers.

The Sika Advantages

- Single source supply and support
- No split responsibilities

Integrated Proposals with Repair Systems to EN 1504



Sika is the clear global market and technology leader in concrete refurbishment and specifically in all of the materials necessary for the concrete repair, protection and strengthening of chimneys and cooling towers. All of these Sika products and systems are fully in accordance with European Standards EN 1504, indeed many Sika experts from many different countries were also involved in the development of these Standards.

The Sika Advantages

- Fully integrated materials systems
- Tested and proven compatibility

All Available Technologies and **Value Engineering Support**



Sika has all of the available material technologies in-house and produces all of the different materials required. This includes systems for all of the different methods of installation and application according to the condition, location and exposure of the concrete and steel surfaces. Threrfore Sika is your ideal partner to support value engineering and adaptions to service life requirements and site limitatins.

The Sika Advantages

- All available methods and materials
- Technically competent value engineering for every eventuality



and Protection of Reinforced Concrete



Worldwide Experience and Technical Expertise



Sika has more than 12 000 employees and manufacturing facilities in more than 70 countries. We have successfully completed reference projects for all different types of chimneys and cooling towers all around the world. Qualified Sika people are available to support you locally on every project. Unique Sika systems are available to suit all different climate and environmental exposure conditions, wherever the structures are located and at whatever time of year the works must be undertaken.

The Sika Advantages

- Global technical support
- Worldwide testing and approvals

Cost Performance for Competitive Advantage



Sika technologies and systems are also developed focussed on helping to achieve easier and faster application and reduced curing times. This results in faster overall project completion and reduced down times when combined with highly competitive cost performance pricing, these Sika advantages all help to dramatically reduce costs and extend service life, thus also reducing future maintenance requirements and costs. Sika gives you real competitive advantage.

The Sika Advantages

- Fully integrated materials systems
- Easier, faster, more cost effective

The Sika System Approach (acc. EN 1504)

These are the key stages in the repair process according to European Standard EN 1504 and as originally developed and established by Sika:

- Assessment of the structure: A detailed Condition Survey with Sika checklists to determine the type and extent of visible, non visible and potential damage.
- Identification of the type and causes of damage: Sika technical support to identify the type of concrete defects and attack – mechanical, chemical and physical, plus assess damage due to reinforcement corrosion
- Evaluation of repair objectives and options: Considering the alternative options and value engineering with different Sika technologies according to the limiting factors including access, structural and programme requirements.
- Selection of the appropriate repair principles and methods: With the Sika systems in accordance with EN 1504 and also specially developed and adapted for these structures
- Specifications and method statements: Full documentation and support from Sika for all of the necessary project proposals and contract documents.

The Complete Sika System Approach – to Repair and

Removal of the Damaged Concrete and Protection of the Steel Reinforcement



Surface Cleaning and Damaged Concrete Removal



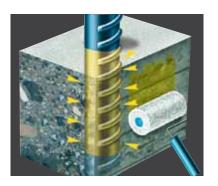
Complete surface cleaning and damage area identification and marking for removal or further investigation. Following the results of the Engineer's Condition Survey all of the damaged concrete must be removed following structural guidelines and any exposed steel reinforcement cleaned thoroughly – preferably by blastcleaning to a standard equivalent to SA 2¹/2. (In accordance with EN ISO 8501-1).

Exposed and Corroding Steel Reinforcement



There are several special Sika insulating and protective coatings to protect the clean, exposed steel prior to concrete replacement. These include **Sika**MonoTop®-910 and **SikaTop®**Armatec®-110 EpoCem®, which are both particularly suitable for the large exposed steel areas frequently required on cooling towers. They can be applied by brush or by spray for larger areas of steelworks.

Embedded Steel Bars at Risk of Corrosion



Additional corrosion protection can also be provided to steel that is not yet exposed or actively corroding, but is at risk in carbonated or inadequate concrete cover, by the application of **Sika® FerroGard®** corrosion inhibitors. These are applied as the penetrating impregnation **Sika® FerroGard®-903+**, or as admixtures in the replacement concrete or mortar with **Sika® FerroGard®-901**.

The Sika Advantages

- Diagnostic support on site
- Minimise break out with Sika technologies

EN 1504 Part 10 Section 7

The Sika Advantages

- Anti-corrosion rebar coatings
- Spray application on large areas

EN 1504 Part 9 Principle 11 (CA), Method 11.2

The Sika Advantages

- Prevent incipient anode development
- Protects the steel even in carbonated concrete

EN 1504 Part 9 Principle 11 (CA), Method 11.3



Replace the Concrete Damage

Replacing and Restoring the Damaged Concrete



Hand/Trowel Applied Local Patch Repairs



Sika produces an extensive range of prebatched hand trowel applied repair systems for localised patch repairs. These include chemically resistant materials to protect against aggressive acidic gases and liquids. The most frequently used systems for these structures are **Sika MonoTop**® cementitious mortars for general repairs and **Sikadur**® epoxy resin based mortars for chemically exposed repairs.

The Sika Advantages

- Easy high build application and surface finishing
- Vapour tight and vapour permeable products

EN 1504 Part 9 Principle 3 (CR), and Part 3 Class R4

Machine Applied Repairs for Large Areas or Volumes



Pumped and spray applied Sika concretes and mortars are generally used for larger volume repairs and where complete recasting is required, or for larger areas and areas with difficult access. These are purpose designed for optimum flow and minimal shrinkage, or with non sagging high build properties and low rebound respectively. Sika® ViscoCrete® self Compacting Concretes, Sika MonoTop® 'wet' spray and SikaCem® Gunite 'dry' spray systems are ideal for these purposes on chimneys and cooling towers.

The Sika Advantages

- Every available application technique
- Fast and secure application by every method

EN1504 Part 9 Principle 3 (CR), and Part 3 Class R4

Levelling and Restoring the Concrete Surface



A fundamental pre-condition for the successful application of protective coatings to concrete surfaces is by the EN 1504-9
Principles for repair. The concrete surfaces must be clean and also free of surface defects such as blowholes/bargholes or voids that could allow the entry of aggressive agents. These must be filled with a surface levelling or smoothing coat such as with **Sika MonoTop®-723 N** generally, or with **Sikagard®-720 EpoCem®** to further increase the level of surface protection for high risk internal surfaces and externally in Zone 1 and Zone 2 where necessary.

The Sika Advantages

- Sealed and uniform concrete surfaces ideal for coating
- Additional corrosion protection

EN 1504 Part 9 Principle 3 (CR), and Part 3 Class R4

The Complete Sika System Approach — To Provide Fut

Protection of the Repaired and Exposed Concrete Surfaces



External Zone 1: The Tops of the Structures



Normally Zone 1 is the top 5m of the chimney or tower. The most severely exposed external surfaces should always be sealed and levelled with Sikagard® -720 EpoCem®. Special Sika systems are then applied to provide high levels of protection with lightfast finishes including ICAO Aircraft warning colours. These include Sika® Icosit®-2406 with SikaCor® **EG-5** Topcoat, or for surfaces subject to potential movement and cracking, the elastic crack bridging Sikafloor®-390 with Sikagard®-363 elastic topcoat.

External Zones 2 and 3: The Rest of the Structures Surface



Zone 2 – The middle section, normally 5-30 m and Zone 3-the rest of the external surfaces, up to 70% of the surface area. The ideal combination of **Sikagard®** hydrophobic impregnations followed by Sikagard®-680 S is widely used for the bulk of the external surfaces and this also conforms to the OS2 classification of the German Federal Regulations for concrete protective coating systems. Sikagard®-550 W elastic coating is used where additional crack bridging performance is required.

The Sika Advantages

- Highly chemically resistant
- Brush, trowel or spray application

EN 1504 Part 9 Principle 6 (PC) and Part 2

The Sika Advantages

- Anti-carbonation coatings
- Elastic crack-bridging properties

EN 1504 Part 9 Principle 6 (PC) and Part 2

Internal Surfaces of Natural Draught Cooling Towers



The level of internal chemical exposure is dependant on the level of the flue gas desulphurisation system (FGDS) installed. However the protection required is the same and only the thickness can be varied. All internal surfaces must first be sealed and levelled with Sikagard®-720 **EpoCem**[®]. Then the specially developed coating Sika® Icosit®-2406 are applied according to the local specifications and regulations. As the top section is also open to UV light and solar radiation, these areas require an additional top coat of Sikagard®-363 to provide the necessary additional protection for these extreme levels of exposure.

The Sika Advantages

- Systems with the highest UV and chemical resistance combined
- Unique Sika cooling tower solutions

EN 1504 Part 9 Principle 6 (PC) and Part 2



ure Protection for the Concrete Surfaces

Additional Sika Remedial Technologies and Solutions



Cracks and Joints: Repair, Bonding and Sealing



Cracks and joints must be sealed to prevent the ingress of aggressive agents. Structural cracks are resealed and bonded with Sika® Injection systems to transfer load as intended. 'Non-moving' surface cracks are sealed with Sika MonoTop® repair and levelling mortars. Fine surface cracks can be safely accom-modated by the **Sikagard®-500** range of elastic crack bridging coatings. Large moving cracks with no structural significance are treated as moving joints, witch are sealed with the **Sikaflex**® joint sealant or the Sikadur® Combiflex® System, a highly chemically resistant over-banding joint/crack sealing solution.

The Sika Advantages

- Secure crack sealing and bonding
- **Elastic movment joint sealing**

EN 1504 Part 9 Principle 4 (SS), Method 4.6 and Part 5

Structural Reinforcement and External Strengthening



Sika® AnchorFix® cartridge packed adhesive fixing and resin anchoring systems include ETA and ICBO approved materials and are in accordance with EN 1504 Part 6. Where additional external structural strengthening is required, this is achieved by the bonding of external plates in accordance with EN 1504 Part 4. This uses the innovative composite CFRP based Sika® CarboDur® plates and SikaWrap® fabrics, bonded with chemically resistant Sikadur® epoxy resins. These are all fully tested and proven in practice on many cooling towers and chimneys.

The Sika Advantages

- Full design details and guidelines
- Detailed method statements for installaion

EN 1504 Part 9 Principle 4 (SS), Methods 4.2 and 4.3, plus Part 6

Associated Steelwork: Durable Corrosion Protection



During the concrete refurbishment of huge structures it is usually also an opportunity to refurbish the associated structural and ancillary steelwork surfaces. This is also an area of special Sika expertise. This steel surface exposure is classified as being at least according to ISO 29 444 Part 2: 'Heavy Industrial'. Sika produces systems for every requirements: Sika® Poxitar system for direct chemical exposure: Sika® Poxicolor system for aggressive industrial atmos-pheres: plus the SikaCor® EG system for the highest combined stress of high chemical exposure in direct UV light and solar radiation.

The Sika Advantages

- World beating performance
- Complete range of systems

ISO 12944 Part 2: Heavy Industrial

Contractor Support for the Concrete Repair and Protection of Chimneys and Cooling Towers

(in accordance with EN 1504)



Your Partner in any Part of the World

Sika is a globally active company in the speciality and construction chemicals business. It has subsidiary manufacturing, sales and technical support facilities in over 70 countries around the world. Sika is the global market and technology leader in waterproofing, sealing, bonding, dampening, strengthening and protection of buildings and civil engineering structures. Sika has approx. 12'000 employees worldwide and is therefore ideally positioned to support the success of its customers.

Also available from Sika















Sika Services AG

Business Unit Contractors Speckstrasse 22 8330 Pfäffikon Switzerland Phone +41 58 436 23 80 Fax +41 58 436 23 77 www.sika.com The information, and, in particular, the recommendations relating to the application and end-use of Sika products, are given in good faith based on Sika's current knowledge and experience of the products when properly stored, handled and applied under normal conditions. In practice, the differences in materials, substrates and actual site conditions are such that no warranty in respect of merchantability or of fitness for a particular purpose, nor any liability arising out of any legal relationship whatsoever, can be inferred either from this information, or from any written recommendations, or from any other advice offered. The proprietary rights of third parties must be observed. All orders are accepted subject to our current terms of sale and delivery. Users should always refer to the most recent issue of the Product Data Sheet for the product concerned, copies of which will be supplied on request.

Our most current General Sales Conditions shall apply. Please consult the Product Data Sheet prior to any use and processing.







