PoreX 100 is supplied as a powder admixture. The material is a combination of a plasticising agent and a gas producing expansion medium. The plasticising agent allows the use of a reduced water/cement ratio with consequent increased strengths and durability. The expansive medium counteracts the natural settlement and plastic shrinkage of the grout and aids stability and cohesion. Sufficient restrained expansion is developed to ensure a high degree of interfacial contact.

PoreX 100 is an admixture for cementitious grouts where a reduced water/cement ratio and positive expansion is required. Applications include bed grouting, duct grouting, non-shrink infilling and jointing.

**Advantages**

- Gaseous expansion system compensates for plastic shrinkage and settlement in properly designed cementitious grout.
- Reduced water/cement ratio mixes in the grout mix ensures low permeability and long term durability in service.
- Gives high grout fluidity with low water/cement ratio, thus making placement or injection of the grout easy.
- No metallic iron content to corrode and cause staining or deterioration due to rust expansion in the grout.
- Composition allows high early strength development in grouts, without the use of chlorides.

**Specification**

**Performance specification**

All grouting (specify details and areas of application) must be carried out with a cement based grout incorporating a plasticised, expanding powder admixture. The admixture must be iron-free and chloride-free and shall be added to the grout in the proportions 225 g of admixture per 50 kg of cement. The admixture shall provide an expansion of up to 4% in the plastic grout, by means of a gaseous system. The admixture must be stored, handled and mixed strictly in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions.

**Supplier specification**

All grouting (specify details and areas of application) must be carried out using a cement based grout, incorporating PoreX 100 manufactured by La Greens and applied strictly in accordance with the manufacturer’s technical data sheet.

**Properties**

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<td>Chloride content</td>
<td>Nil to BS 5075</td>
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<td>Compressive strength</td>
<td>The plasticising action of PoreX 100 allows reduction of the water / cement ratio of cementitious grouts whilst maintaining now properties. This gives improvement in strength and long term durability when cured under restraint.</td>
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<td>Setting times</td>
<td>PoreX 100 does not significantly affect the setting times of cement based grouts.</td>
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<td>Expansion characteristics</td>
<td>The controlled positive expansion in unset grouts incorporating PoreX 100 overcomes plastic settlement when measured in accordance with ASTM C827. An unrestrained expansion of up to 4% is typical.</td>
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<td>Time for expansion</td>
<td>15 minutes - 2 hours. Temperatures above 20°C may slightly reduce these times.</td>
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<td>Compatibility</td>
<td>PoreX 100 is compatible with all types of Portland cement. PoreX 100 may be used in mixes containing certain other La AdCrete admixtures.</td>
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**Instructions for use**

**Mixing**
For best results proper paddle mixer must be used. For quantities up to 50 kg a slow speed drill fitted with a high shear paddle is suitable. Larger quantities will require a high shear vane mixer.

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. The selected water content should be accurately measured into the mixer. Slowly add the cement (and sand if required) and PoreX 100. Mix continuously for 5 minutes, making sure that a smooth even consistency is obtained.

**Application**
Areas to be grouted should be prepared to ensure substrates are clean, sound, and then pre-wetted. The unrestrained surface area of the grout must be kept to a minimum. Place the grout within 20 minutes of mixing to gain the full benefit of the expansion process. Adopt usual placing or pumping procedures ensuring a continuous operation.

**Curing**
On completion of the grouting operation, any exposed areas which are not to be cut back should be thoroughly cured by means of water application, La CureCrete curing membrane or wet hessian.

**Cleaning**
Grouts mixed with PoreX 100 should be removed from tools and equipment with clean water immediately after use. Remove cured material mechanically.

**Limitations**
PoreX 100 is not compatible with High Alumina Cement.

**Estimating**

**Supply**
PoreX 100 : 225gms Sachet

**Dosage**

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<td>50 kg</td>
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<td>20-22 litres</td>
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**Note**: For grout, mortar or concrete mixes with an aggregate/ cement ratio more than 1, use 4x225 g units or 900 g of PoreX 100 per 100 kg of cement.

**Effects of Overdosing**
Overdosing of PoreX 100 increases expansion and may cause frothing.

**Storage**
PoreX 100 has a shelf life of 12 months if kept in a dry store in its original packaging. High temperature and humidity storage may reduce this period.

**Health & Safety**
PoreX 100 is of low hazard. Contact with the skin and eyes, or inhalation of dust should be avoided. Wear suitable protective clothing, gloves, eye/ face protection and dust mask. After contact with skin, wash off with clean water. In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical attention.

For further information see Product Material Safety Data sheet.

PoreX 100
Plasticised expanding grout admixture

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