



Technical Data Sheet

Cast Bond 7:3[®]

Cast Bond 7:3 is a low viscosity natural sodium bentonite blended with activated sodium bentonite exhibiting variable dry particle size.

Functional use: general purpose is green sand mold additive. Cast Bond imparts excellent dried and fired strengths to molding sand where high temperature pouring or firing occurs. This is applicable to both the foundry industries.

Purity: Hydrous silicate of alumina comprised principally of the clay mineral montmorillonite. Montmorillonite content 80% minimum. Contains small portions of feldspar biotite, selenite, etc.

Chemical Composition (% by weight)

Silica (SiO ₂)	56-65
Alumina (Al ₂ O ₃)	15-19
Iron Oxide (Fe ₂ O ₃ , FeO)	3.0-5.5
Magnesium (MgO)	2.3-3.5
Sodium & Potassium (Na ₂ O, K ₂ O)	1.4-2.4
Lime (CaO)	1.0-4.0

Physical Properties

Particle size (dry)	: passing 200 mesh 80% (min)
Moisture content (%)	: 10±2%
pH	: 9-11
Free swell (mls/2g.)	: 20 (min)
Methylene blue	: 50 ml/0.5g. (min)
Loose Bulk Density	: 0.75-0.85g/cm ³
Packaging	: kraft paper 50 kg. or 250 kg, 1 ton big bag

Foundry Properties

	Moisture (%)	Compact (%)	GCS (N/cm ²)	DCS (N/cm ²)	Wet Tensile (N/cm ²)	Permeability No.	MB. (meq/100 g.)	Free Swell (ml/2 g.)
Average NC*	2.13	40.5	11.70	22.87	0.419	131.67	104	19
Average C*	2.46	40	8.67	19.57	0.284	120.33	100	7

NC = Non Calcine (Fresh Bentonite)

C = Calcine (Fired Bentonite at 600C for 1 hr.)

The foundry properties were tested with sand grain fineness no. 60-65 and 7% bentonite according to AFS standard.

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