AMC SAND FIX™

SPECIALTY PRODUCTS & CHEMICALS



Description

AMC SAND $FIX^{\mathbb{M}}$ is designed to support hole stability and minimise associated problems when drilling loose sands, cobbles and gravels and promotes bore hole stability in formations prone to shifting and collapse.

Application

AMC SAND FIX™ has been developed as an alternative to using bentonite or where bentonite based products are prohibited for use. AMC SAND FIX™ enters the pores of sands and gravels to quickly form a thick 'gel-like' barrier which binds and supports the unconsolidated formation to support the borehole. AMC SAND FIX™ properties are greatly enhanced when blended with select vegetable based oils and lubricants. AMC SAND FIX™ has a reasonable tolerance to saline environments however hardness should be below 400 mg / L, using SODA ASH if required, to maximise its effectiveness.

Typical Physical Properties

Appearance: White, free flowing granular powder

pH (0.5% solution): 7 – 8.5

Solubility: Swells rapidly on contact

Recommended Treatment

AMC SAND FIXTM is added at concentrations of 2.0 - 4.0 kg / m^3 (0.7 - 1.5l b / bbl) and allowed to mix until consistent before pumping through the hole.

Please Note: Several factors will dictate the most appropriate concentration rate. Please contact your nearest AMC representative for optimum results.

Advantages

- · Readily disperses in low-shear environments
- Improves drilling rates
- Controls fluid loss
- Improves hole stability in sands, cobbles and gravels
- · Compatible with most water-based drilling additives.

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