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## Making slip from JB1 Casting Powder.

## You need:

- 25 kg bag of JB1 Casting Powder.
- 12 litres of Water.
- 15 gms Soda Ash.
- 90 gms Sodium Silicate.
- 45 mls Dispex. (See notes)

## **Process:**

- 1. Add to the water, all of the Sodium Silicate and Soda Ash then mix thoroughly.
- 2. Do not add the Dispex until it is necessary.
- 3. Progressively add the casting powder and mix thoroughly.
- 4. When the slip thickens add the Dispex in small quantities to keep the slip fluid.
- 5. Once all of the casting powder has been added check the litre weight, if greater than 1775 gms/litre add water, if less add more powder.
- 6. Add the remaining Dispex in small quantities until the required fluidity is achieved.
- 7. Mix the slip for at least two hours.
- 8. Allow to stand over night.
- 9. Remix and add more Dispex, if required.
- 10. Pass through an 80# sieve before use.

## Please note:

- The amount of Dispex required is an estimate and can vary depending on the local pottery conditions and the potters specific requirements.
- As conditions vary from workshop to workshop it is recommended that comprehensive testing is undertaken to ensure the slip suits your requirements.

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