

Water Changes

Change 5 gallons of tank water after one week of feeding. Continue once a week, or more if needed.

1 Run replacement water

Water must run for 30 minutes to clear metals (copper and lead) and sediments.

2 Turn off filters / remove pie plate

If left on the motor will burn out. Remove pie plate with gravel and redd.



3 Remove 5 gallons

Having a helper is necessary. Use gravel cleaner to siphon food and fish waste from the bottom of tank. Remove water to 5 gallon bucket, never directly into a sink.

4 Rinse filters in removed water

The used water has no chlorine and will not harm the beneficial bacteria in the filters.



5 Dispose of dirty water

If too heavy to lift, use a clean ice-cream pail to scoop water from the 5 gallon bucket.

6 Fill bucket with new water

Use replacement water which has ran 30 minutes.

7 Add Aquasafe to bucket

Never add new water back to the tank without first removing the chlorine. To remove stir Aquasafe into the bucket.



8 Refill tank

Use ice-cream pail to scoop water from 5 gallon bucket back into the tank. Check that water is at correct level for filters.

9 Turn on filters

Ensure filter outflow is once again aimed at the refrigerator coils.

Change water on Wednesday!

If a problem occurs it can be corrected the next day.

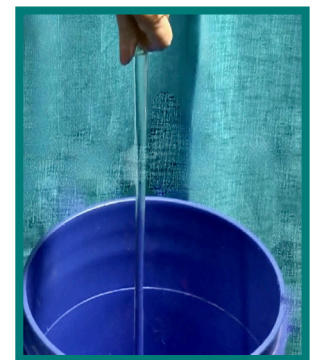
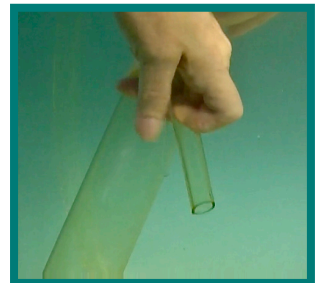
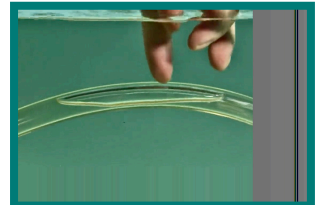
You will need:

- water which has run 30 min.
- 5 gallon bucket & ice cream pail
- gravel cleaner / siphon
- AquaSafe chlorine remover

To change the water:

- Immerse gravel cleaner in tank and fill with water - there should not be any air bubbles in the tubing as these prevent suction.
- Cover the end of small tubing with thumb to block water. While covering the end remove the small tube from tank and lower into 5 gallon bucket. Keep the large end of gravel cleaner in the tank under the water. The bucket must be lower than the tank to start siphoning out water.
- Remove your thumb from end of small tubing and water will begin siphoning into the bucket, (if not, check for air bubbles).
- Move the large tube of the gravel cleaner across the bottom of the tank to suction out uneaten food and waste from the fry.

HOW TO Remove Tank Water With Gravel Cleaner



Do not feed fry after water changes. They will be stressed and will not eat.