• Place aquarium on stand evenly so that all sides of the aquarium bottom are supported.
• Aquarium should be placed and filled on a level, suitably-designed and appropriately-sized aquarium stand.
• Carefully pour rinsed gravel into middle of aquarium.
• Spread gravel evenly around aquarium bottom.
• Gravel depth should measure 1” - 3” from the bottom.

1. place aquarium on Stand
2. add Gravel
   Rinse gravel in colander
   Make sure to level stand

Setup Guide for Aquarium Kits

Now Includes

3 Tips to Succeed

1. Success Tip 1
   Lighting
   Only keep aquarium lights on for 8-10 hours during the day, then turn off at night.

2. Success Tip 2
   Feeding
   Give your fish one small pinch of food 2 or 3 times per day.

3. Success Tip 3
   Water Changes
   Only change 25% of the water once per month.
   Never empty all the water at once.

Add Water Conditioner as directed

Making Success Simple

Drip Loop

Whenever you plug in any electrical appliance, it’s important to utilize a “drip loop”. This prevents water droplets from reaching the electrical outlet, which can cause a severe hazard.

To make a drip loop, follow the diagram to the right. Simply drop the power supply cord below the level of the outlet you’re plugging it into. This way, if any water should get on the cord, it will drip off before it reaches the electrical outlet.

See reverse for additional information.
2. add Gravel

- Carefully pour rinsed gravel into middle of aquarium.
- Spread gravel evenly around aquarium bottom.
- Gravel depth should measure 1" - 3" from the bottom.

3. add Plants, Décor

- Place plants and décor items into aquarium in desired location.
- Cover base of plants and bottom of decor items with gravel to hold securely in place.

4. add Water

- Pour room-temperature water into aquarium over hand to avoid moving gravel, plants and décor.
- Fill aquarium with water to 1/2" from top of frame.
- Add water conditioner.

5. place Filter

- Assemble filter and insert filter cartridge according to included instructions.
- Place filter in desired location on back of frame.
6. add Thermometer, Heater

- Place stick-on thermometer on outside of aquarium.
- (OPTIONAL) Not all kits include a heater. If yours does not, move on to step 7.
- Read and follow included heater instructions.
- Place heater to one side of the filter and suction to the back of the aquarium.

7. add Light Hood

- Place light hood on aquarium, making sure filter and heater cords flow through opening in back of light hood to ensure proper light fit.
- Plug in filter, light hood and heater using the “drip loop” method. (see above)

8. add Fish

- Turn off light, unplug and remove light hood.
- Place fish, while in bag from store, into aquarium. Let sit for 20 minutes.
- Open bag and add about 1/2 cup of aquarium water. Wait 5 minutes. Repeat once. Carefully allow fish to enter aquarium. Replace light hood and plug in.

**Simply Succeed!**

Follow the Three Tips to Succeed along with the setup guide instructions, and you’ll spend more time enjoying a healthy aquarium and less time maintaining it.

As an additional resource, you’ll find a variety of instructional video segments on our website: aqueonproducts.com/videos