

## OASE 706759500401

# OASE SwimSkim Floating Pond Skimmer Instruction Manual

Model: 706759500401

## 1. PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The OASE SwimSkim Floating Pond Skimmer is designed to efficiently clean the surface of your pond. It features strong suction and an integrated pump, eliminating the need for a separate pump. This skimmer is ideal for retrofitting into existing ponds and automatically adjusts to varying water levels, provided the water depth is at least 16 inches. It effectively removes large debris such as pollen, leaves, and dust, contributing to a clearer pond surface and a healthier aquatic environment.

The compact design allows for flexible placement and operation. The unique skimmer flap creates powerful suction to draw in surface debris, while an integrated aerator helps oxygenate the pond water.

## 2. KEY FEATURES

- **Powerful Surface Cleaning:** Effectively skims pond surfaces up to 270 sq ft, removing debris.
- **Integrated Pump:** Operates without the need for an external pump.
- **Automatic Water Level Adaptation:** Adjusts to water levels from a minimum depth of 16 inches.
- **Easy Debris Removal:** Features a removable leaf basket for convenient cleaning.
- **Integrated Aerator:** Oxygenates pond water while skimming.
- **Efficient Suction:** Unique skimmer flap design enhances debris collection.

## 3. SETUP INSTRUCTIONS

1. **Unpack:** Carefully remove all components from the packaging.
2. **Assembly:** Follow the assembly diagrams provided in the product packaging. While some diagrams may require careful review, the assembly process is straightforward.

3. **Placement:** Position the SwimSkim in an area of the pond where debris tends to accumulate. For optimal performance, placing it towards the middle of the pond is often effective.
4. **Submerge:** Gently place the skimmer into the pond water. Push it down until the leaf basket is completely filled with water.
5. **Tethering (Recommended):** The power cord (15 ft long) may cause the skimmer to drift towards the pond edge. To maintain optimal positioning, it is recommended to tether the skimmer using a thin, durable line, such as fishing line, to a fixed point in the pond.
6. **Power Connection:** Once positioned and submerged, plug the skimmer into a suitable outdoor power outlet.



Figure 1: Diagram illustrating the OASE SwimSkim's function in a pond, showing water circulation and debris collection.

## 4. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

- **Automatic Operation:** The SwimSkim operates continuously once plugged in, automatically adjusting to the pond's water level to maintain effective surface skimming.
- **Aeration:** The integrated aerator will produce a stream of bubbles, indicating proper function and contributing to pond oxygenation.
- **Feeding Fish:** To prevent the skimmer from drawing in fish food, it is advisable to temporarily unplug or turn off the unit during feeding times.

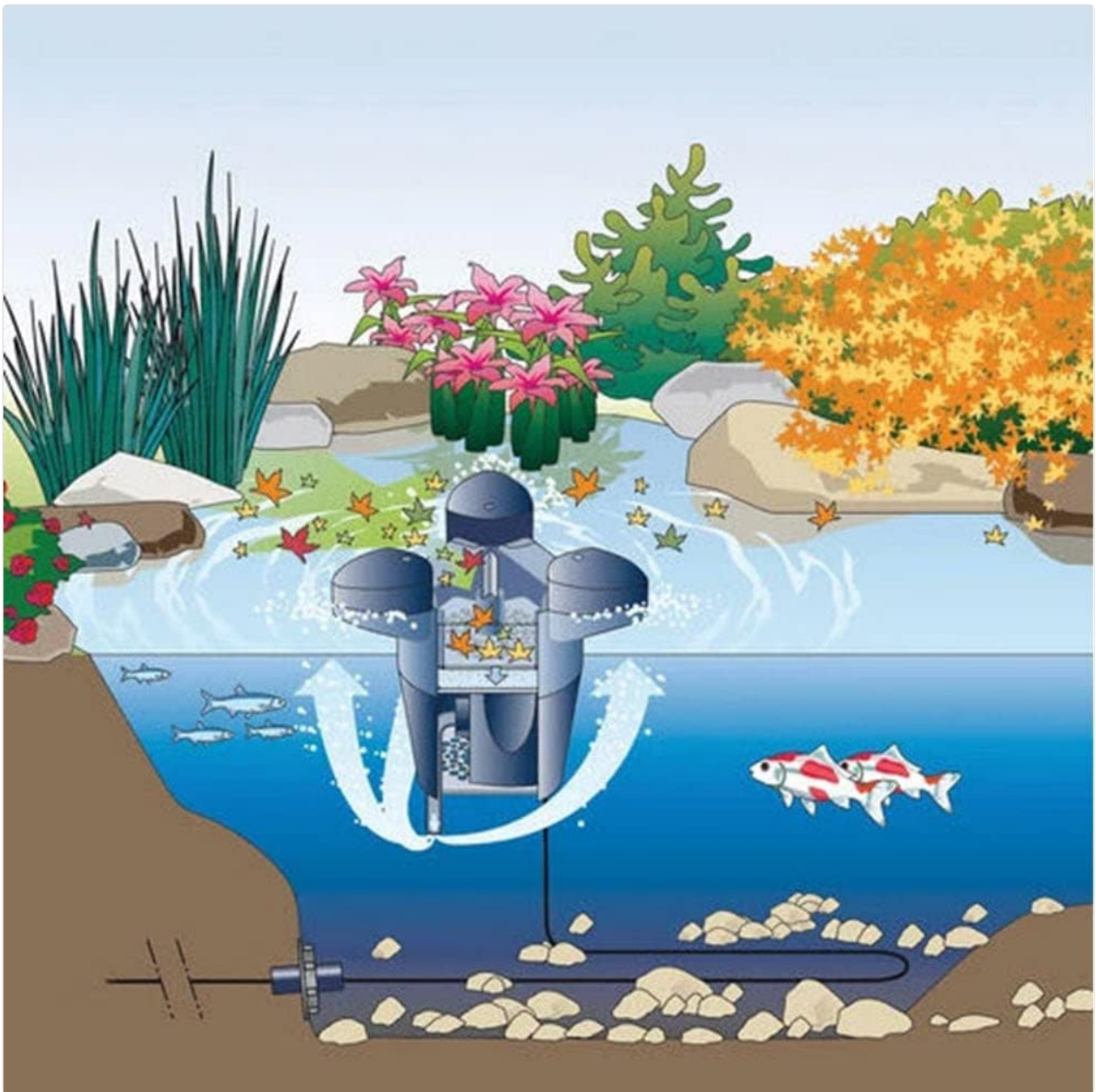


Figure 2: The OASE SwimSkim actively skimming the surface of a pond, creating water movement.

## 5. MAINTENANCE

Regular maintenance ensures optimal performance and longevity of your OASE SwimSkim.

1. **Emptying the Leaf Basket:** The accumulated debris in the leaf basket should be removed regularly. The frequency depends on the amount of debris in your pond. In the first week of operation, you may need to clean it twice daily; subsequently, once a day or every few days may suffice.
2. **Cleaning the Filter:** The filter, located beneath the leaf basket, can also be cleaned with a water hose. A fan-pattern spray setting on your hose nozzle can effectively clean the filter in a few passes.
3. **Visual Inspection:** Periodically inspect the skimmer for any visible damage or excessive buildup of algae or debris on its components.



*Figure 3: A hand demonstrating the removal of the leaf basket from the skimmer for cleaning.*



Figure 4: A close-up view of the OASE SwimSkim in operation, highlighting the water intake area and skimmer flap.

## 6. TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
No bubbles or reduced aeration	Clogged filter or intake.	Clean the leaf basket and the filter thoroughly. Ensure the skimmer flap is clear of obstructions.
Skimmer floats too high or intake is above water level	Clogged filter, insufficient water in the basket, or improper submersion.	Clean the filter. Ensure the leaf basket is full of water and the unit is properly submerged. Check for any air pockets.
Skimmer drifts to pond edge	Weight of the power cord pulling the unit.	Tether the skimmer to a fixed point using a thin line (e.g., fishing line) to maintain desired position.
Reduced skimming efficiency	Clogged filter, improper placement, or excessive pond debris.	Clean the filter and basket. Adjust skimmer placement. Consider more frequent cleaning if debris load is high.

## 7. SPECIFICATIONS

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- **Brand:** OASE
- **Model Number:** 706759500401
- **Item Weight:** 1 Pound
- **Item Form:** Device
- **Manufacturer:** Geo Global Partners
- **UPC:** 706759500401
- **Global Trade Identification Number (GTIN):** 00706759500401
- **Manufacturer Part Number:** 032230
- **Unit Count:** 1.00 Count
- **Target Species:** Fish (safe for aquatic life)

## 8. WARRANTY & SUPPORT

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The OASE SwimSkim Floating Pond Skimmer comes with a **1-year warranty** from the date of purchase.

For warranty claims, technical assistance, or further inquiries, please contact OASE customer support. Keep your proof of purchase for warranty validation.