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## 1. PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The Aqua-Flo 12" Pond & Aquarium Filter Media (Model 6X72EPG) is a high-quality, dual-sided filtration material designed for both freshwater and saltwater environments. Measuring 72 inches (6 feet) long by 12 inches wide and 1 inch thick, this versatile media effectively removes various particles to maintain crystal clear water quality.

It features two distinct layers: a coarser white layer for capturing larger debris and a finer green layer for trapping smaller remaining particles. This construction ensures comprehensive mechanical filtration. The material is slightly more rigid than comparable products, offering enhanced durability and performance.



*Image: Aqua-Flo 12" Pond & Aquarium Filter Media, rolled and packaged.*

## 2. KEY FEATURES

- **Dual-Sided Filtration:** Features a coarse white layer for large particles and a fine green layer for smaller debris, ensuring thorough mechanical filtration.
- **High Quality Material:** Constructed from a rigid, durable material designed for superior performance and longevity compared to standard filter pads.
- **Chemical-Free:** Manufactured without chemicals, making it safe for all freshwater and saltwater fish, tanks, and ponds.
- **Customizable Size:** Easily cut with standard scissors to fit any filter system or aquarium/pond setup.
- **Made in USA:** Proudly manufactured in the United States by an American company.

### 3. SAFETY INFORMATION

- Always handle filter media with clean hands to prevent introducing contaminants into your aquarium or pond.
- Ensure the filter media is securely placed within your filter system to prevent it from being dislodged and obstructing water flow.
- Do not use any cleaning agents or chemicals on the filter media, as this can harm aquatic life.
- Keep out of reach of children and pets when not in use.

### 4. SETUP & INSTALLATION

1. **Unroll and Inspect:** Carefully unroll the Aqua-Flo filter media. Inspect it for any damage or foreign particles.
2. **Measure Your Filter:** Determine the exact dimensions required for your specific filter system (e.g., hang-on-back, canister, sump, wet/dry filter, pond filter).
3. **Cut to Fit:** Using a sharp pair of scissors, cut the filter media to the measured size. The material is designed to be easily cut without fraying.



*Image: Demonstrating how to cut filter media to fit your filter system.*

4. **Orient Correctly:** Place the filter media into your filter chamber with the **white, coarser side facing the incoming water flow**. This allows the white layer to trap larger particles first, preventing the finer green layer from clogging prematurely. The **green, finer side should face away from the incoming water flow** to capture smaller particles.
5. **Secure Placement:** Ensure the media fits snugly within the filter compartment to prevent water from bypassing it.

### Video: Filter Media Demonstration

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*Video: This video demonstrates the water flow through a filter pad and how it can be cut to fit.*

### 5. OPERATION

Once installed, the Aqua-Flo filter media will immediately begin to mechanically filter your aquarium or pond water. Water will pass through the coarse white layer first, trapping larger debris, and then through the finer green layer, polishing the water by

removing smaller suspended particles.

Monitor your water clarity regularly. The effectiveness of the filter media will be evident in the improved visual clarity of your water. Reduced flow or visibly dirty media indicates it's time for maintenance.

## 6. MAINTENANCE

Regular maintenance is crucial for optimal performance and water quality.

- Inspection:** Visually inspect the filter media every 1-2 weeks, or more frequently in heavily stocked systems, for signs of clogging or excessive debris accumulation.
- Cleaning:** When the media appears dirty or water flow is reduced, remove it from the filter. Rinse the media thoroughly under cool tap water until the water runs clear. Avoid using hot water or soaps, as these can kill beneficial bacteria or introduce harmful chemicals.
- Replacement:** While the Aqua-Flo filter media is durable and can be rinsed multiple times, it should be replaced when it starts to break down, loses its structural integrity, or can no longer be effectively cleaned. Replacement frequency varies based on bioload and system size, typically every 2-4 weeks for heavy use or longer for lighter use.

### Video: Filter Media Cleaning Demonstration

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*Video: This video demonstrates the cleaning process of filter floss, showing how it removes accumulated debris from dirty water.*

## 7. TROUBLESHOOTING

- Cloudy Water:** If water remains cloudy after installing new media, ensure the media is correctly oriented (white side first) and that water is not bypassing the media. Check if the filter flow rate is appropriate for your tank size.
- Reduced Water Flow:** This typically indicates a clogged filter media. Remove and rinse or replace the media. Also, check other components of your filter system for blockages.
- Media Degradation:** If the media starts to fall apart or shed fibers, it's time for immediate replacement.

## 8. SPECIFICATIONS

|                    |                                                        |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| Product Dimensions | 72 x 12 x 1 inches (6 feet x 1 foot x 1 inch)          |
| Item Weight        | 0.32 ounces                                            |
| Manufacturer       | Aqua-Flo Industries                                    |
| Item Model Number  | 6X72EPG                                                |
| Material           | Synthetic fiber (dual-layer: coarse white, fine green) |
| Compatibility      | Freshwater and Saltwater aquariums and ponds           |

## 9. WARRANTY & SUPPORT

For any questions regarding the Aqua-Flo 12" Pond & Aquarium Filter Media, including product performance or replacement, please contact Aqua-Flo Industries directly. Refer to the product packaging or the manufacturer's official website for the most current contact information and warranty details.

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