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AQUA CREST AQU-WF28-2

AQUA CREST FQK1R Water Filter Instruction Manual

MODEL: AQU-WF28-2

Introduction

This manual provides instructions for the installation, operation, and maintenance of the AQUA CREST FQK1R replacement water filter. This filter is designed to reduce chlorine, heavy metals, bad taste, odor, sediment, and rust from your cold water supply. It is certified by IAPMO R&T against NSF/ANSI 42 for chlorine reduction and NSF/ANSI 372 for lead-free materials.



Image: The AQUA CREST filter with an 'Independently NSF Certified' seal, indicating compliance with NSF/ANSI 42 and 372 standards for water quality and safety.

Important Safety Information

- This filter is designed for use with cold water only. Do not use with hot water.
- Do not install the filter in direct sunlight.
- Ensure all connections are secure to prevent leaks.
- Flush the filter for several minutes after installation to remove carbon fines.
- Replace the filter every 6 months or 2,000 gallons, whichever comes first, to maintain optimal performance.
- This filter does not reduce Total Dissolved Solids (TDS).

Compatibility

The AQUA CREST FQK1R filter (Model: AQU-WF28-2) is compatible with the following filtration systems:

- GE GXULQK
- GE GXULQR (Hexagonal Head only)
- GE GXK140TNN
- FQK1R

Attention: This filter is only compatible with GE GXULQR systems that have a hexagonal head. It is NOT compatible with pentagon head GE GXULQR systems. Please verify your filter's joint type before installation.



Image: A visual comparison showing the correct hexagonal head connection (green checkmark) and an incompatible pentagon head connection (red cross) for the filter.



Image: A guide illustrating the correct AQUA CREST filter for GXULQR systems, distinguishing it from incompatible GXRLQR and FQK1K filters.

Setup and Installation

Follow these steps for easy and tool-free installation:

1. **Turn off Water Supply:** Locate the cold water supply valve under your sink and turn it off.
2. **Remove Old Filter:** Twist the old filter counter-clockwise to unlock it from the filter head. Pull it down to remove. Be prepared for a small amount of water to drip.
3. **Prepare New Filter:** Remove the protective cap from the new AQUA CREST FQK1R filter.
4. **Insert New Filter:** Align the new filter with the filter head. Push it up and twist clockwise until it locks securely into place.
5. **Turn on Water Supply:** Slowly turn the cold water supply valve back on. Check for any leaks around the filter connection.
6. **Flush the Filter:** Open the cold water faucet and let the water run for 5 minutes to flush out air and carbon fines. The water may appear cloudy initially; this is normal.



Image: An illustration showing the AQUA CREST filter installed under a sink, connected to the cold water line, demonstrating its compact design and ease of access for replacement.

Operating Instructions

Once installed and flushed, the filter operates automatically with your cold water supply. Simply open your cold water faucet to dispense filtered water. The filter is designed to provide a stable and consistent flow rate without significant pressure drops.



Image: A kitchen faucet dispensing a strong, clear stream of water, illustrating the stable and fast water flow provided by the filter.

Maintenance

For optimal performance and water quality, replace your AQUA CREST FQK1R water filter every **6 months** or after filtering **2,000 gallons** of water, whichever occurs first. Regular replacement ensures continuous reduction of impurities and prevents filter clogging.



Image: A graphic indicating the recommended replacement interval of 6 months or 2,000 gallons for the water filter.

Troubleshooting

- **Slow Water Flow:** If water flow is significantly reduced, it may indicate a clogged filter. Replace the filter. Ensure the filter was properly flushed after installation.
- **Leaking:** Check that the filter is securely twisted and locked into the filter head. Ensure the O-rings on the filter are properly seated and not damaged. If leaks persist, turn off the water supply and re-install the filter.
- **Unusual Taste or Odor:** If an unusual taste or odor persists after initial flushing, flush the filter for an additional 5-10 minutes. If the issue continues, replace the filter.

Specifications

Model Number	AQU-WF28-2

Material	Coconut Carbon
Product Dimensions	6.36"D x 3.18"W x 13.46"H
Item Weight	3.49 Pounds
Filter Life	6 Months or 2,000 Gallons
Operating Temperature	34-100°F (1-38°C)
Operating Pressure	20-100 psi (140-689 kPa)
Flow Rate	0.5 GPM (1.9 LPM)
External Testing Certification	IAPMO R&T against NSF/ANSI 42 & 372



Image: A cutaway view of the filter showing the internal coconut carbon block, highlighting the natural filtration material used.



Image: A diagram illustrating the multi-layer filtration process, showing how various impurities like chlorine, heavy metals, bad taste, odor, and sediments are captured.

Warranty and Support

For warranty information or technical support, please refer to the AQUA CREST official website or contact their customer service directly. Keep your purchase receipt for any warranty claims.

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