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Model: AP-104

1. INTRODUCTION

This manual provides essential information for the proper setup, operation, and maintenance of your AQUANEAT Aquarium Air Pump, Model AP-104. This air pump is designed to enhance oxygen levels in aquariums up to 100 gallons, as well as small hydroponic setups, promoting a healthier environment for aquatic life.

2. PACKAGE CONTENTS

Verify that all components are present in your package:

- 1x AQUANEAT Air Pump (Model AP-104)
- 1x 8-foot Airline Tubing
- 2x Check Valves
- 2x 2-inch Air Stones

3. FEATURES

The AQUANEAT AP-104 Air Pump offers several features for efficient and quiet operation:

- **Tank Compatibility:** Suitable for aquariums up to 100 gallons.
- **Quiet Operation:** Equipped with 4 rubber stabilizer feet to minimize vibration and noise.
- **Adjustable Air Flow:** A control knob allows for precise adjustment of air volume.
- **Dual Outlets:** Features two air outlets for connecting multiple air stones, sponge filters, or bubble wands.
- **Versatile Use:** Ideal for freshwater, saltwater tanks, and small hydroponic systems.



Image: AQUANEAT Air Pump showing its compact dimensions of 5.25 inches (length) x 2.75 inches (width) x 2.25 inches (height).



Image: Bottom view of the air pump, highlighting the adjustable control knob and product specifications label.

4. SETUP INSTRUCTIONS

Follow these steps to set up your AQUANEAT Air Pump:

1. **Prepare Tubing:** Cut the provided 8-foot airline tubing to the desired length for your setup.
2. **Connect Components:** Attach one end of the airline tubing to an air outlet on the pump. Connect an air stone to the other end of the airline tubing. If using both outlets, repeat this step for the second outlet.
3. **Position the Pump:** Ideally, place the air pump above the aquarium water level. This prevents water from siphoning back into the pump during a power outage.
4. **Install Check Valve (if necessary):** If the air pump must be placed below the aquarium water level, install a check valve between the air pump and the air stone. This is crucial to prevent water from flowing back into the pump and causing damage. Ensure the check valve is oriented correctly to allow airflow towards the aquarium.
5. **Secure Power Cord:** Plug the pump into a standard 110V-120V/60Hz electrical outlet. Create a "drip loop" with the power cord to prevent water from running along the cord and into the outlet.



Image: Close-up of the power plug, illustrating the connection point for the air pump.

5. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Once the pump is set up and plugged in, it will begin to operate. Adjust the airflow as follows:

- **Adjust Air Volume:** Use the control knob located on the pump to increase or decrease the air volume. Turn the knob towards "High" for more air and towards "Low" for less air.
- **Observe Bubbles:** Monitor the bubble output in your aquarium to ensure adequate oxygenation without creating excessive water turbulence that might stress fish.

6. MAINTENANCE

Regular maintenance ensures optimal performance and longevity of your air pump:

- **Air Stone Cleaning:** Periodically clean or replace air stones as they can become clogged with algae or mineral deposits, reducing airflow.
- **Tubing Inspection:** Check airline tubing for kinks, blockages, or cracks. Replace damaged tubing to maintain efficient air delivery.
- **Pump Exterior:** Keep the exterior of the pump clean and dry. Avoid submerging the pump in water.
- **Air Filter:** Some air pumps have an internal air filter. Refer to the manufacturer's guidelines for checking and replacing this filter if applicable to your model.

7. TROUBLESHOOTING

If you encounter issues with your air pump, consider the following common solutions:

- **No Air Output:**
 - Ensure the pump is plugged in and the power outlet is functional.
 - Check for kinks or blockages in the airline tubing.
 - Verify that the air stone is not clogged. Clean or replace if necessary.
 - If a check valve is installed, ensure it is not blocked or installed backward.
- **Reduced Airflow:**

- Adjust the air volume control knob to a higher setting.
- Inspect air stones and tubing for partial blockages.
- Ensure the pump's air intake is not obstructed.

- **Excessive Noise:**

- Ensure the pump is placed on a flat, stable surface. The rubber feet are designed to minimize vibration.
- Check if the pump is touching any other objects that could amplify vibrations.
- Verify that the air stone or tubing is not causing excessive back pressure.

8. SPECIFICATIONS

Specification	Detail
Model Name	AP-104
Brand	AQUANEAT
Color	Black
Material	Plastic
Product Dimensions (L x W x H)	5.25" x 2.75" x 2.25"
Item Weight	0.47 Kilograms
Power Source	Corded Electric
Voltage	110V-120V/60Hz
Operation Mode	Automatic
Hose Length	8 Feet

9. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

This AQUANEAT product comes with a **30-day warranty**. For any questions, technical support, or warranty claims, please visit the official AQUANEAT store on Amazon:

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