



## PICO-c

*The PICO-c is a multipurpose tank that has been designed to make nano reefs easy to keep and also allows those with larger systems to quarantine specimens before adding them to their main tank. Using a removable, easy to clean biological filter, the PICO-c quickly and efficiently performs ammonia conversion and proper gas exchange. With its 13.5" x 5.5" footprint, the PICO-c is small enough to fit on a desk while providing adequate filtration to sustain its inhabitants.*

*To place your PICO-c into operation:*

1. *Inspect all parts of the filter assembly. You should have:*

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| <i>(1) Tank body</i>              | <i>(1) Light Fixture</i>      |
| <i>(1) return powerhead</i>       | <i>(1) Light Stand (pair)</i> |
| <i>(1) fish screen</i>            |                               |
| <i>(1) Bio Bale™ filter media</i> |                               |
| <i>(1) Filter pad</i>             |                               |

*If any parts are damaged or missing, please contact your dealer immediately.*

- 2. Make sure that the return powerhead is attached to its outlet, which should be mounted inside the filtration section of the PICO-c. This may be detached during shipping.*
- 3. Place substrate on the bottom of the tank before adding water.*
- 4. Partially fill the PICO-c with water and add any Live Rock and arrange on top of the substrate.*
- 5. Continue to fill the tank up until water begins to flow into the filter portion of the PICO-c. Fill this until the water level is about three or four inches above the return pump.*
- 6. Plug the powerhead in. The PICO-c is now in operation.*
- 7. Wait 24 hours to allow the substrate to settle and add any livestock to the PICO-c.*

## Maintenance

1. You should perform a partial water change at least twice a month. The frequency of water changes depends heavily on the amount of fish and invertebrates in your tank and your feeding rate.
2. Rinse out the filter pad at least once a week. Replace the filter pad as it becomes worn.
3. The Bio-Bale™ filter media should be removed and cleaned every three months, or as needed. Remove the Bio-Bale™ and place it in a bucket of saltwater, preferably water from your PICO-c. Gently swish the Bio-Bale™ around in the water to remove any algae or detritus. Shake off any excess water before returning the Bio-Bale™ to the filter chamber. Never use detergent of any kind on the Bio-Bale™ and do not allow it to dry out. When placing the Bio-Bale™ back into the filter chamber, be sure not to pack it too tightly.
4. The outside of the PICO-c may be cleaned with a non-abrasive cloth. Do not use detergents on any surfaces that may come in contact with aquarium water. Never use any solvents on the acrylic or grazing may occur.
5. Clean the powerhead at least once a month and replace the impeller assembly once a year for the most efficient operation.

