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BUBBLE TUBES

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

The non-interactive bubble tubes have a separate power supply. The four colors and bubbles may be made controllable by adding an interactive controller (US Item # 37563; CN Item # 375r63). The Aquarium Bubble Tube includes fish that appear to swim inside the tube.

CONTENTS

- (1) Base Unit
- (1) Base Cover (white plastic cover)
- (1) Bubble Tube Column (with drainage tube taped to it)
- (1) Power Supply Control Unit
- (1) Power Lead
- (1) Set of Fish (for Aquarium Bubble Tube)

*If the bubble tube is to be used in a cushioned platform (padded base), the base cover (white plastic cover) must be removed and discarded.

These products do not include an interactive controller (round with 5 buttons) to make the bubble tube interactive. This may be purchased separately (US Item # 37563; CN Item # 375r63).

Also, these products do not include a collar. You may wish to use a collar to secure your bubble tube to the wall. The collar is appropriate for these bubble tubes.

ASSEMBLY

1. Remove the plastic cover from the base unit. The bubble tube column needs to be fitted to the base unit using the four screws provided.
2. Remove the protective plastic film from the bottom of the bubble tube column. Attach the brown plastic pipe which is already attached to the pump to the bottom of the bubble tube column. **Note:** The tube enters by 0.8".
3. Remove the transparent pipe with blue ends (drainage valve on one end and blue screw on the other) from where it has been taped to the bubble tube column. Attach this transparent tube to the base of the tube, exactly opposite where you have just connected the brown plastic pipe. Screw the blue screw into the bottom of the column on the same side as the plastic vacuum bottle which is at the opposite side to the pump.
Please note: It is not possible to connect the brown tube and transparent tube to the column in the wrong place as the connection for the brown tube is smaller than that for the blue screw of the transparent drainage tube. Take care when screwing in the drainage valve that you do not cross-thread the screw. Check that the blue drain is closed—screwed fully clockwise.
4. The base cover needs to be fitted and fixed with the screws provided (unless the bubble tube is to be used inside a cushioned platform).
5. Check that the lights are working before filling with water. Place the bubble tube in its final position as it cannot be moved when full. The bubble tube should now be placed on a stable, level

surface in preparation to be filled with water. If the surface is not flat, the pump is likely to create more noise than a gentle background ‘humming’.

6. Fill with water carefully until the required level is achieved. This should be approximately 2" from the top of the tube. The water level will rise when filled with water. Approximate amount of water required: 40 liters. Put bubble tube cap on top of bubble tube.

OPERATION

1. Plug the IEC/mains lead into the power supply control unit (the socket between the fuse and the ON/OFF switch.
Plug the other end of the lead into the electricity supply. Two screw holes are on each side of the power supply control unit should you wish to wall mount the unit or secure it to the floor. No fixings are supplied as these depend on the surface to which the unit will be attached. The power supply control unit weighs 4.2 lbs. Plug the bubble tube into the power supply control unit using the 4 pin plug supplied (marked “Power Out”) on the power supply control unit.
2. Switch on at the wall. The power supply control unit has a switch at one end to switch on and off. Switch it on.
3. The unit will begin to flash, displaying a sequence of colored lights. Bubble will then begin to rise up the tube. Turn the wheel—see right—on the white base cover to adjust the speed of the light’s change.
Note: The balls-in-bubble tube will not become interactive without the interactive controller (**US Item # 37563; CN Item # 375r63**).
4. To control the color changes and bubbles an interactive controller is required. Switch off the bubble tube completely. Connect the interactive controller to the base of the bubble tube.

USING THE INTERACTIVE CONTROLLER (US Item # 37563; CN Item # 375r63) (THE ROUND 5-BUTTON SWITCH BOX—NOT INCLUDED)

5. To select a colored light press one of the five buttons (red, green, yellow, blue, and orange) on the top.
6. To stop the bubbles press the central button on the top. Release the button to make the bubbles start again. A dial labeled BUBBLES with two options—NORMALLY ON and NORMALLY OFF—is on the underside of the switch box. Switch between these so that one way the bubbles start if the central button is pressed and the other way the bubbles will stop if the central button is pressed.
7. To adjust the speed of the light change/flash rate use the SPEED and DELAY buttons underneath labeled COLORS.

SAFETY

1. The bubble tubes are suitable for use on a level horizontal floor. Do not attempt to move the bubble tube when it is full of water.
2. Always supervise this product’s use.
3. Regularly change the water and use a suitable water-cleansing agent.

CARE AND MAINTENANCE TO EMPTY BUBBLE TUBES

1. Remove the base cover and then locate the drain hose.
2. Fix extension hose onto blue drain valve.
3. Make sure the extension hose’s outlet is placed into a suitable drainage reservoir. Turn blue drain valve anti-clockwise to start flow and clockwise to stop the flow.
4. Refill the bubble tube.

GENERAL CARE

1. Wash the exterior of the bubble tube with a slightly soapy cloth. Wipe excess soap away with a damp cloth.

NOTE: Never use solvents or liquid detergents inside bubble tubes.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Bubble Tube

Pump: 12 Volt 50/60 Hz, Schwarzer Prazision, type SP 203 S.

Power Supply Control Unit : 230 Volt (110V)

50/60Hz Output: 12V DC, 60W

Supply Fuse: T500 mA (T1 Amp)

Output Fuse: T5 Amp (T5 Amp)

The power supply may be switched between 230V and 110V operation.

Lead from power supply to plug: 240v

The power supply was designed and is produced with the total double-installation system as laid down in EN60335/1.

TROUBLESHOOTING

In the unlikely event of product failure, please check the following:

Problem: No lights, no bubbles.

- Check that the bubble tube is plugged in at the wall.
- Check the Power ON/OFF button on the power supply.
- Check that the mains cable is connected to the kettle lead 3 pin MAINS IN **socket** and that the cable to the bubble tube is connected to the four pin POWER OUT socket.
- Check that the VOLTAGE SELECTOR is set to the correct voltage—240V for UK customers, 120V for USA customers.
- Replace the two fuses on the power supply.

Problem: Lights but not bubbles.

- Check the plastic vacuum bottle which should fill with air. If you notice that the bottle top is cracked, air will be escaping and there will be fewer bubbles. Replace bottle top.
- Is the bottle top lightly attached? If not, tighten it.
- Try switching the bubble tube off and then on again. Wait a minute or so for the vacuum bottle to fill with air.
- Check all pipes are firmly connected and free of kinks/bends. Check the pipes have not become loosened. Occasionally vibrations/transportation may loosen pipes.
- Have you connected an interactive controller to the bubble tube? Is the connection firm? Turn the interactive controller over. Is it set to “Bubbles On”? If it is not, set it to this.

Problem: The Interactive Controller does not work.

- Is the interactive controller firmly connected? Turn it over. Is it set to ‘Bubbles On’? If it is not, set it to this.
- If this suggestion does not work, it is possible that the pump has failed. Contact FlagHouse for advice.

Problem: Water leaking into the base.

The blue non-return valve (in the base of the bubble tube) has loosened. This valve stops water flowing into the pump. Reattach this valve securely if there aren't any bubbles but the water has leaked.

RECOMMENDATIONS

To prevent the growth of microbes in the water:

- Change the water monthly (use a universal pump to siphon out water).
- Empty the tube altogether if it is not to be used for long periods.
- A suitable water-sterilizing tablet may be added to the water. Consult your local health and safety executive for guidelines. Do not use with ball bubble tubes as this could discolor the balls.
- Do not add bleach, colored dyes, or salt to the water.
- To prevent the bubble tube from being knocked over we recommend the use of a collar. This should be secured to a wall with adequate fixtures.
- **PRE-PROGRAMMED** (US Item #s 37559, CN Item # 375r59)
US Item # 37560, CN Item # 375r60);
- **INTERACTIVE**
60"H x 6" dia (US Item # 37595; CN Item # 375r95)
70"H x 6" dia (US Item # 37598; CN Item # 375r98)
26"H x 4" dia w/ 10 ½"-dia. base: (Interactive Portable Bubble Tube)
US Item # 37680; CN Item # 376r80)
- **AQUARIUM BUBBLE TUBE**
Two sizes available:
60"H x 6" dia (US Item # 37596; CN Item # 375r96)
70"H x 6" dia: (US Item # 37599; CN Item # 375r99)
- **PORTABLE** bubble tube: (US Item # 37625; CN Item # 376r25)
Also available:
27"H x 4" dia (US Item # 39085; CN Item # 390r85)
70"H x 6" dia. (US Item # 39086; CN Item # 390r86)

DISCLAIMER: THIS PRODUCT MUST ALWAYS BE USED UNDER THE DIRECT SUPERVISION OF A CAREGIVER.
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