

# Introducing Discus Fish after Transport

**Important:** it is vital that you measure the temperature difference between the transport water and your aquarium water. If the **temperature difference is more than 4° C / 7°F**, it is vital that you carry out a **slow temperature acclimatisation** (see # 2 below). Otherwise, you **risk damaging the health of your fish!** You can make it, if the transport bag is full with pure oxygen.

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You will help your fish adapt more easily to their new surroundings, if you take the following steps prior to their arrival:

- lower the temperature of your aquarium water to 27° C / 80°F for the day the fish arrive (later, gradually increase to 28 – 30° C) 82,5 - 86°F.
- switch off your aquarium lighting for the duration of your fishes' acclimatisation phase, and
- only start feeding as of the 2nd day.

## 1. Measuring the transport water temperature

Measure the temperature difference between the transport water and your aquarium water. If the transport bag is sealed, hold the thermometer against the outside of the bag. If the temperature difference is:

**+ more than 4° C / 7°F ⇒ Temperature acclimatisation (see # 2)**

**- less than 4° C / 7°F ⇒ Blend water (see # 3)**

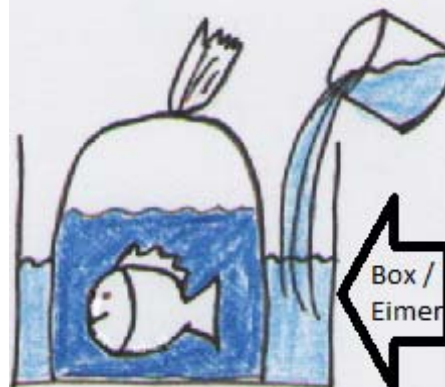


## 2. Temperature acclimatisation (for sealed bags)

(with a temperature difference of **+ more than 4° C**)

- place the sealed transport box in a bucket or in the transport box
- pour aquarium water into the bucket or transport box (use the same amount as is already inside the bag)
- repeat this step hourly until the temperature difference is less than 4° C / 7° F (then see # 3).

**CAUTION: Do not place transport bags into your aquarium for the temperature acclimatisation! Slow temperature acclimatisation can only be carried out with sealed transport bags!**



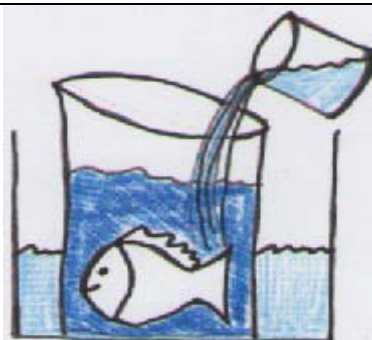
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## 3. Blending water (for open transport bags)

(with a temperature difference of **- less than 4° C / 7° F**)

- Open the transport bag and add the same amount of aquarium water as is already inside the transport bag.
- Wait approx. 5 minutes (then see # 4).

**CAUTION:** After opening the transport bag, you must remove the fish and place it in your aquarium after a **maximum of 15 minutes**, as otherwise the fish will run out of oxygen!



After opening the bag, place fish in the aquarium after **max. 15 min.!** Else: lack of oxygen!

## 4. Removing discus fish from transport bag

Carefully pour the fish and the water out of the transport bag, into a bucket or transport box filled with some of your aquarium water.

**CAUTION:** Do not use previously used buckets that may contain traces of cleaning liquid! It is essential that no traces of cleaning liquid end up in your aquarium!



## 5. Carefully place fish in aquarium using a fish net:



**Discard the transport water!**