



Quarantine: other treatment options

e.g. for the following purposes: isolation, care, treatment, recuperation of weak or sick discus fish, treating lack of appetite.

Temperature treatment in a quarantine aquarium:

If a fish is not growing well, does not display “competitive feeding”, or its excrement is white in colour, raising the water temperature to 33° – 34° Celsius / 91°- 93°F will often help. The rise in temperature speeds up the fish’s metabolism, increases feed intake, improves the rate of intestinal activity and strengthens the fish’s immune system.

Warning: temperatures of 36° C/96.8°F and above are lethal for discus fish.

Temperature treatment is preferable to using medication, since medication may weaken the fish’s immune system, which may cause other diseases to break out. Temperature treatment should be carried out in a quarantine aquarium and should be continued until the fish has regained strength and has been excreting dark faeces for at least three days. This usually takes two to three weeks of treatment. It is also important that you feed your fish with our Discus Feed, at least three times a day, to enable it to regain its strength.

Equipment for a quarantine aquarium

Heating rod, filter (already run in), aeration stone

TIP:

Aggressive, agitated behaviour = reduce temperature by 1 – 2 °C/1,8 - 3,5°F.

Overly tranquil, fish appears stiff and immobile = raise temperature by 1 – 2 °C/1,8-3,5°F.