



### Filtration using activated carbon:

Useful for removing (filtering) harmful and unidentified toxins from your aquarium water

If your fish become **shy and skittish** after a water change, or they **hide in dark corners**, this could be due to **toxins in the tap water** (e.g. traces of agricultural pesticides, which are often present in tap water in spring and autumn).

If the feeding behaviour of all of your fish starts to deteriorate, one or two weeks of filtration using activated carbon, or a water change of 30 % or more, will often be helpful.

To remove these toxins, we recommend filtering the water with activated carbon for one or two weeks. This is done follows:

Place around 500 grams / 17,5 oz of activated charcoal in a small sachet or nylon stocking (pantyhose) and wash it under tap water until the water runs off clear (not black). Place the sachet inside your filter, or if that's not possible, place it at the filter outlet, so that water flows through the carbon.

**Important: always remove the activated carbon sachet** after a **maximum of three weeks**, as activated carbon stores toxins. Once saturated with toxins, it begins re-releasing them again, after a short while. This would be **lethal for all of your fish**.