

In-Pond Skimmer PS1000

Mfg# 19091 Item #129404

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SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

PUMP RECOMMENDATIONS

Use with pumps between 550 and 1900 gallons per hour

Tetra Pumps GPH @ 1 foot height

 WGP550
 550 GPH

 WGP700
 700 GPH

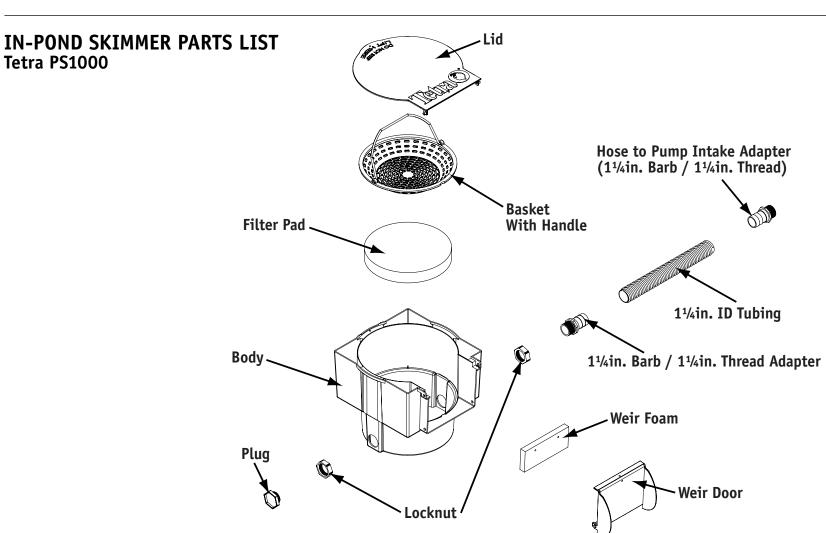
 WGP1000
 1000 GPH

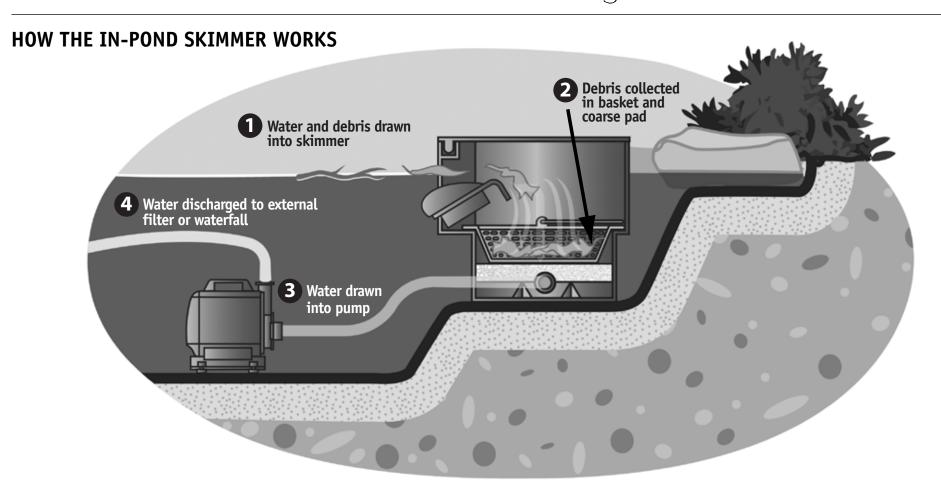
 WGP1200
 1200 GPH

 WGP1900
 1900 GPH



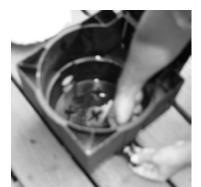
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ASSEMBLY OF IN-POND SKIMMER SYSTEM

Decide if pump should be attached to the left or right side of the skimmer.



A) Insert barb adapter to the "pump side" of skimmer.



B) Secure with locknut.

C) Insert plug into opposite side and secure with locknut.



D) Insert filter pad.



E) Insert basket on top of filter pad.



Add gravel in the corner pockets for weight.

POSITIONING THE IN-POND SKIMMER

Options for positioning the skimmer: Pond with waterfall

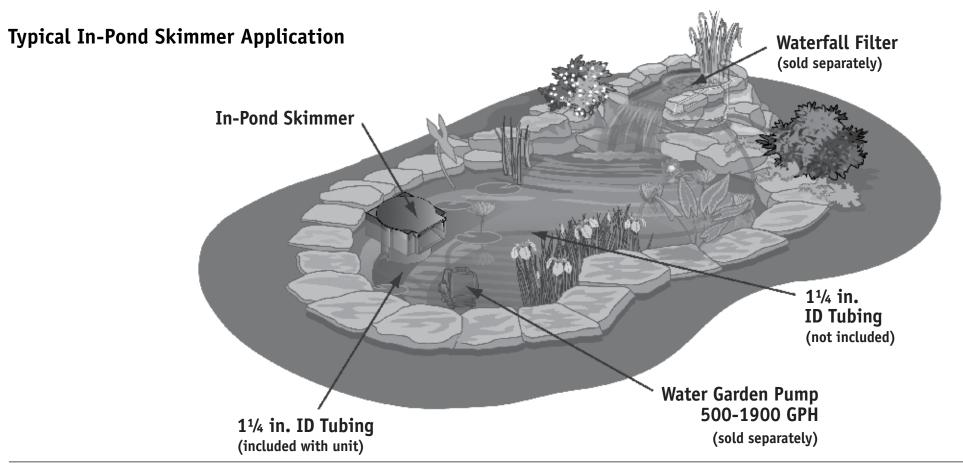
Place on a shelf on the opposite side of water feature (as shown in illustration)

Pond without waterfall

Place on a shelf anywhere around the pond

Water Level Considerations:

- Be sure to fill the pond to it's maximum height (to the point of overflowing).
- The skimmer should be placed at a depth so the pond water surface is 1 in. below the top of the weir B) opening. Do not place skimmer any deeper than this.
- To raise the skimmer to the ideal depth, place flat rocks under the skimmer, or a stable bed of gravel.
- If the existing pond shelf is not deep enough:
 - Lower the shelf (if practical) or
 - Place blocks or bricks on bottom of pond to elevate the skimmer to the ideal depth. b)



CONNECTING THE PUMP TO THE SKIMMER WITH TUBING



A) Thread the adapter into pump inlet. Supplied adapter Fits WGP550, WGP700, WGP1000, WGP1200



B) Push tubing onto hose barb.



Optional secure with hose clamp. (not included)



D) Attach the other end of tube to the skimmer. Optional: Secure with hose clamp. (not included) The assembly is ready to place in the pond.

HIDING THE SKIMMER IN THE POND

To create a natural looking pond environment, the skimmer can be concealed with rocks and plants.



A) Place a flat stone on top



B) Optional: Place small plants on the corners.

of the lid.

CAUTION: Do not step on skimmer.

MAINTENANCE

Pond Water Level Checking:

- Be sure to keep the pond topped off, so the water level never goes below the bottom of the weir opening.
- Always treat tap water that goes into the pond with a water dechlorinator.

CLEANING THE SKIMMER





Basket - Debris and leaves collect inside the skimmer in a basket. Open lid, remove and clean basket.



Skimmer Pad - The fiber mat should be inspected and rinsed off.

The interval between each cleaning is dependent on time in the season. Typically as pond season kicks in (early spring) or at the end (in the fall), cleaning of the skimmer must be done more often due to fallen leaves and debris. After that, a rule of thumb is about once a week.

CAUTION: If there is a high load of leaves and debris in basket, this may cause the pump to run dry. Check basket often especially at the start/end of the pond season.

Never use soap or detergents to clean any parts of the skimmer.

WINTER CARE

WARNING: Bring the skimmer indoors during the winter, before ice forms on the pond. The skimmer can be damaged if frozen in the water, and the warranty does not cover ice damage.

REPLACEMENT PARTS

Replacement pad available through your retailer RFPS1000 Mfg #19013 Item #316749 For other parts, please contact our specialists at Tetra Customer Care

Warranty

Tetra warrantees the product indicated below will be repaired or replaced free of charge for the specified number of years from the date of purchase if it fails to work because of defective material or workmanship. (Proof of date of purchase must be provided.)

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This warranty is subject to the following terms:

- 1. Should it become necessary to return the product during the warranty period, send the product directly to Tetra, Consumer Services, 3001 Commerce Street, Blacksburg, Virginia 24060-6671.
- 2. Tetra's decision on all questions relating to alleged defects and repair shall be conclusive.
- 3. This warranty does not invalidate your statutory rights, but preserves your full benefits.
- 4. Repair parts or replacement product will be given on an exchange basis and will either be new, equivalent to new, or reconditioned. All customer returned parts or products that we replace become the property of Tetra.
- 5. The warranty does not cover normal wear and tear, nor any deterioration suffered through overloading, improper use, negligence or accident. It does not cover foam media that can wear out and be replaced with purchased replacement pad. The warranty does not cover damage from freezing water. Similarly, any modification made by the purchaser to the appliance will invalidate the warranty.
- 6. Except as set forth in this Warranty, Tetra expressly disclaims any and all liability for any loss or damage whatsoever sustained by the purchaser to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law.



Questions? Problems? Missing Parts?

- ullet Before returning the product, please call our Customer Care department at **800-526-0650**, Monday–Friday 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Eastern USA Time.
- Or email us at consumer@tetrawatergardening.com Often times, our Customer Care Department can provide advice that will help you solve the problem.