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How To:

GET AND KEEP YOUR POND CLEAN

..."Nature's Way"



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My name is Steve Fender,

from **Fender's Fish Hatcheries,** and we are one of the largest Fish
Hatcheries in the mid-west with hundreds of acres of Farm Ponds under management

and thousands of customers who rely on us each year to keep their ponds healthy and clean.



I have been taking care of ponds and lakes for better than 3 decades now and I have seen all the good, the bad and the ugly that come with ponds.

Healthy ponds are like lawns and gardens; you have to do maintenance to keep them healthy. This article has been written to share with you my experiences over the last several decades and is also a simple way that I can educate farm pond owners on the ways and benefits of keeping your ponds healthy and clean naturally, without the use of potentially harmful pond chemicals.



Pond algae problems are one of the most common problems to plague pond owners. Combine healthy soil and good water and you will grow algae. That is a

given, no way around it..... but you don't have to let it take over your water. In the parts of the country that white Amur (grass carp) are legal, using these fish is a very good way to help safely control algae and most other vegetation in your pond. This is a fish that will control vegetation and live up to 20 years.



Nature's Pond Conditioner...

is not a pond chemical treatment, it's a combination of good bacteria and fast acting enzymes along with food grade dyes. The good bacteria consume all of the dead and decaying organic matter on the bottom of your pond. The enzymes essentially speed up the whole process and facilitate the transformation into a healthy pond eco-system.

There are pond treatment options that will not financially break the bank and are environmentally friendly too. Many years ago, Koenders Water Solutions was the original innovator of pond conditioners and now we sell hundreds of gallons of their Nature's Pond Conditioner each year.

Every year in the late summer, when it is at its hottest, I will get phone calls from pond owners that have loads of algae and weeds and are losing fish. The most common scenario, the customer will tell me is that yesterday my pond looked fine and today all my fish are dead or dying. Every season your pond will have tree

leaves, under water vegetation, fish waste and dead fish which sink to the bottom and start to break down, you probably refer to this stuff as black, stinky muck.







Prevention is the best solution

I recommend to all pond owners that they utilize some kind of aeration. I like bottom aeration and we have been using and recommending Koenders Windmills and Electric Aerators for 20 years.

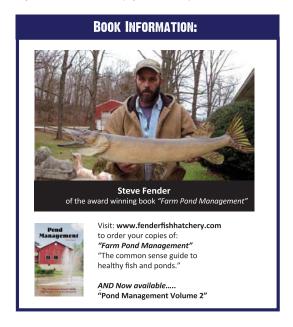
Koenders aeration systems pump air thru an air line down to an air stone that you place on the bottom of the pond, as the air comes out of the stone it is broken down in to a fine mist of bubbles.

Bottom- Up aeration does a very good job of bringing the bad water off the bottom and mixing it up with the good. Also as the bubbles break the surface the



gases from the decaying plant matter escape the pond and in turn the fertility levels begin to drop.

To clean the muck up even better, just pour Natures Pond Conditioner in your pond and the combination of the two systems will bring your pond back in to a healthy eco-state or keep your new pond new.



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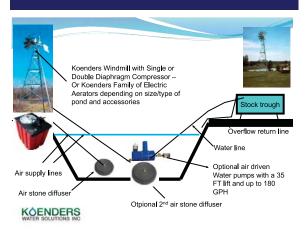
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Koenders Water Solutions Inc. is the innovator and world's leading manufacturer of windmill aeration systems. The Company was founded in 1988 to offer farmers and pond owners environmentally friendly and cost effective solutions to keep pond water clean.

Since this time, the company went on to design and manufacture Electric Aeration Systems in the 1990's. Then continued on to innovate Pond Conditioners in the early 2000's.

Working with a team of biologists and pond water application engineers, Koenders Water Solutions set out to design North America's first all-inclusive chemical free pond conditioner; an "All-In-One" complete natural solution for the Pond Care market. The result of this effort is "Nature's Pond Conditioner" which was launched in 2007.

Koenders' commitment to the environment, experience, and determination to change the way people care for their ponds has grown the business to over 60,000 customers in almost every region of the world.

Koenders' Pond Conditioners and Aeration products are an affordable, effective and sustainable alternative to getting ponds clean without the use of harsh chemicals.

"Saving the Planet's Water Nature's Way"™
is more than our corporate tag line...

... it's our PASSION.

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