

Mini Skimmer Over Producing

Do you see:

- Your skimmer producing clear skim-mate?
- Your skimmer overflowing the collection cup?
- Your skimmer producing excess bubbles in the aquarium?

If you answered YES to one or more of the above, then you likely have something in the water causing this issue. Whatever is in the water is causing the bubbles to stay intact longer than normal.

To help visualize, think of adding dish soap to sink water. Before adding soap, bubbles will break quickly and easily when the water is agitated or splashed. After the soap is added, the bubbles form and stay formed in the water for much longer.

The situation with the skimmer is like soap added to water.

To help remove the material causing the excess bubble production:

1. You can raise the skimmer height in the aquarium to slow the water flow through the skimmer.



STANDARD WATER OPERATING LEVEL



WATER LEVEL IF OVER-SKIMMING

2. You can turn the unit off for a few days and use carbon to remove the material causing the bubbles to form.

Because the Mini Skimmer is designed for 30 gallon and smaller aquariums, the ideal way to use carbon to remove the foreign material is a canister filter. There are many canister filters available and some can hang on the aquarium.



Important:

- Do not add the skimmed water in the collection cup back into the aquarium. This will continue the process of the skimmer over-producing bubbles.
- Take note to new items in the aquarium that cause the skimmer to over produce or overflow. Fish foods, aquarium additives and some filtration media are known to cause skimmers to over produce.

