

SOP: Room D—Tank Cleaning



To prevent the possible spread of disease in this room cleaning tanks is essential.

Equipment needed:

1. Clean unused cleaning cloths
2. 1x 3.5 L net
3. 1x 8 L net
4. 1 breeding box
5. Hydrogen peroxide
6. Paper towel

Cleaning tanks:

- Determine the rack to be cleaned by checking the schedule in the cleaning binder in Rm B04
- Once determined, go to Room B25, scrub in according to the Room D access protocol
- Get multiple clean appropriate sized nets and place in the tank by the sink labelled 'nets'
- Start at one end of the rack (top or bottom) and clean tanks in a linear fashion
- Turn off water by lifting water supply tap up
- Remove tank carefully from location; make sure not to bang the tank when placing by the sink
 - Tanks can only be placed on the dirty side of the sink
- Remove lid from tank
- Fill breeding box with water from the tank by either gently pouring from corner (3.5 L) or dipping box in (8 L) tank
- Using a new clean net, net out all the fish fish and using proper netting methods
 - Check net afterwards to ensure that there are no fish stuck in the net
- Cover the breeding box with the net to prevent fish jumping out
- Using tap water and a new cleaning cloth, thoroughly clean
 - The baffle
 - The lid
 - The tank
 - The siphon
- Place cleaned items back onto the dirty sink
- Reassemble the tank

- Replace the fish into the tank by carefully pouring the water and fish into the tank from the breeding box
- Replace the lid
- Discard cloth into dirty cloth bucket
- Return tank to the appropriate location
- Turn water on by pushing water tap down
- Return to sink
 - Disinfect the used breeding box using disinfecting protocol
 - Disinfect dirty work surface using disinfecting protocol
- Start with a new tank