

Installation and Operation



# Aquarian

swimming pool chlorine

# Feeder



Automatic chlorination for in-ground and above-ground swimming pools





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# Installing the Tabex Aquarian Feeder

After reading the instructions for the Tabex Aquarian Feeder, determine the best location for your feeder. Make every effort to select a location near the pump and filter, and to install it as close to the water in the pond.

Open the feeder parts bag and check against Figure 5 to be sure the components are enclosed. Remove the tube locking nuts (G-9) and compression nuts (G-8) from the inlet and outlet tubes (G-5 and 6, respectively). **Do not remove the two-hole gasket (G-7).** Check the inlet and outlet tubes to insure they are free of any obstruction. (Blow air through them.)

Install the float arm assembly (G-1) inside the tablet-dissolving chamber (B) by inserting the inlet and outlet tubes through the holes provided in the front of the chamber. Replace the compression nuts on the inlet and outlet tubes and **hand tighten** to hold the float arm assembly in place.

Half fill the feeder chamber with water and check for leaks where the outlets come through the wall. Tighten the compression nuts only enough to stop any leaks, then empty the chamber. *Overtightening nuts may cause plastic to deform and aggravate a leaking condition.*

Shut the pump off. Using Figure 1 as a guide, select a spot on the **side** of the return line to the pond close to the filter that will accommodate the feeder pump assembly (E). (Point 1 in Figure 1). **A horizontal section of pipe is preferred to a vertical section.** Drill a hole through the pipe and remove all the burrs with a knife or file. Insert the tube pipe fitting and clamp it in place. Keep the fitting perpendicular to the pipe to insure a good gasket seal.

Use a 1/2" hole saw (C) to cut the end with the check valve (D) already installed and cut off a length of tubing long enough to reach from the feeder to the saddle clamp and end of ground return line.

As you work toward the pump end of the line, keep the water pressure in the water with the pump. *The water should run toward the feeder, toward the pump end of the tube, and toward the filter, away from the inlet and outlet tubes.* Cut the end of the tubing close to the saddle clamp and cut through the **inlet tube** marked "Inlet". **Hand tighten the tube locking nut.**

Insert the other end of the tubing through the tube locking nut into the tube pipe fitting and hand tighten the nut. **Hand tighten the tube locking nut.**

Drill a hole in the **side** of the return line from the pump to the pump end of the pipe. **Make this connection**

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As you open the hole in the return line, remove the burrs from the tube pipe fitting and clamp it in place. Keep the fitting perpendicular to the pipe and hand tighten it.

Attach the end of the remaining section of tubing to the tube pipe fitting in the next line by inserting the right tube locking nut into the tube pipe fitting.

Secure the tubing by hand tightening the tube locking nut. Insert the other end of the tubing through the remaining tube locking nut (G-9) and into the outlet tube (G-6) protruding from the float chamber in the feeder chamber (marked "Outlet").

**Hand tighten the tube locking nut.** The tubing may be cut to the most convenient length. Longer lengths of tubing, if needed, are available from your Tabex pump supply dealer.

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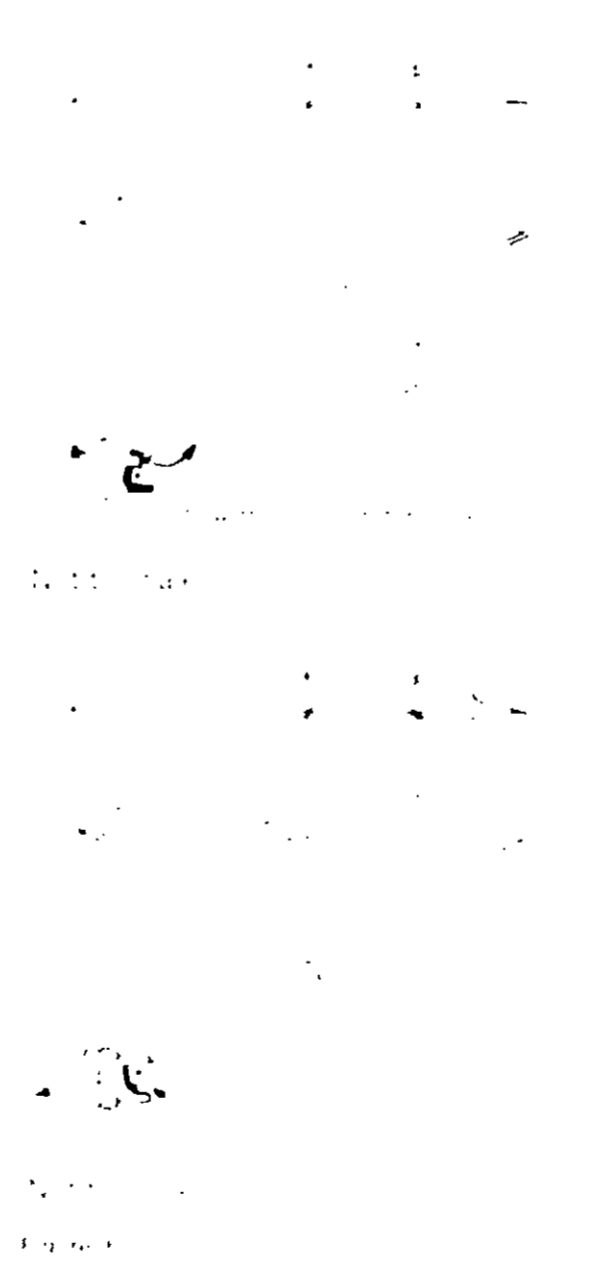


Figure 5



# Feeder operation

It is important to visit under tank pumps regularly to check for water leaks and to make sure that the pump is properly adjusted. The water level in the pool should be maintained at a level that is just below the top of the skimmer. Check the water level in the water in the pool regularly.

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It is essential that the water be tested daily and any necessary adjustments in the feed rate be made immediately. The float of the pump in the Tabex Chlorinator.

The two applications for use of Tabex Chlorine Tablets and the Aquarion Feeder are based on the presence of at least 33 parts per million of cyanuric acid in the pool water. A constant application of Tabex Chlorine Tablets at the rate of one pound per 10,000 gallons of water will maintain a level of Tabex Chlorine Tablets in the pool. Do not dilute if you are not certain. Check with your Tabex pool products dealer about the need to condition your pool. Take a sample of water to your dealer.

At the time of Feeder startup, the pool should be shocked to red by raising the chlorine level to at least 4 or 5 parts per million (ppm). This superchlorination insures that any initial chlorine demand is satisfied and gives the feeder a chance to reach its optimum chlorine output.

Set the water level in the feeder chamber so that approximately one Tabex Chlorine Tablet will be immersed for each 5,000 gallons of water in the pool. A reduction in tablet exposure may be made later on the basis of a test of the test results. The rate of application may be higher at the start of the season. Chlorine readings should be taken for each 2,000 gallons of water to determine if the pool is properly chlorinated.

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## Adjustment

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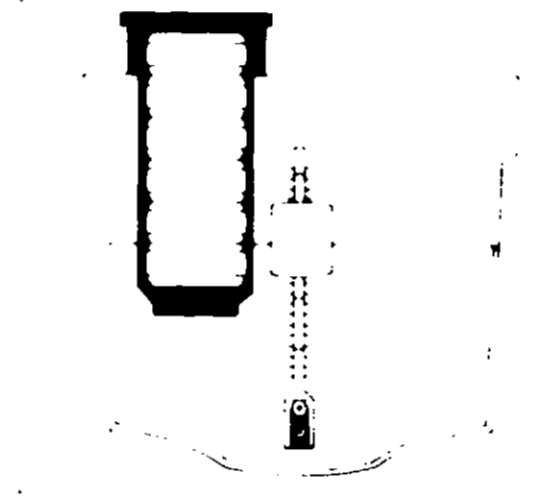


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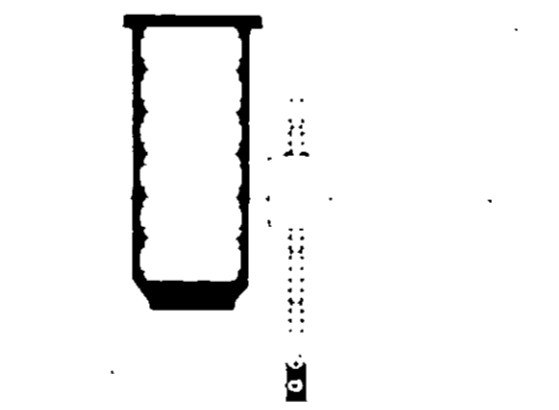


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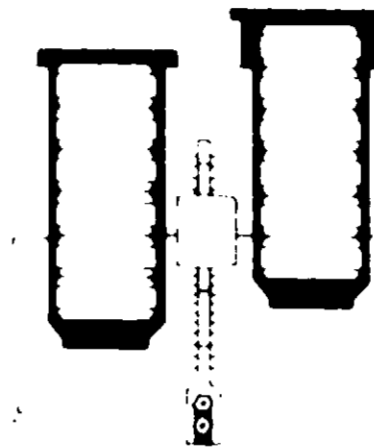


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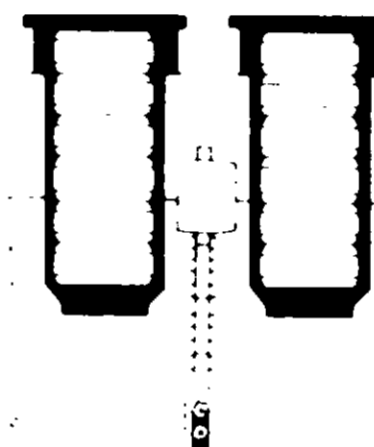


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## Winterizing the feeder

When pool is to be shut down, disconnect feeder tubing from pool suction and return lines and from the feeder. Remove chamber and all tablet pieces from feeder chamber. Empty liquid contents of feeder chamber into pool. Wash out feeder and float control system with warm water. Flush out tubing. Store in a warm, dry area. Allow unused tablets in chamber to dry. Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area away from children and equipment. Use Tabex Winterizing Kit to protect pool and equipment for winter.

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# Introduction to your Tabex Aquarian Feeder

## Read carefully before starting to assemble feeder.

The Tabex Aquarian Feeder is designed and engineered for installation on residential swimming pools equipped with water circulation and filtration systems. It can be used on both in-ground and above-ground pools when installed as directed.

### How it works

The feeder consists of a chamber in which Tabex slow-dissolving chlorine tablets are suspended in a canister. The feeder chamber is connected to the pool circulation system by 1/2" diameter tubing.

A small portion of the circulating pool water is diverted into the feeder chamber through the tubing connected to the return line to the pool. The water is chlorinated in the feeder and returned to the suction side of the pump. (See Figure 1.)

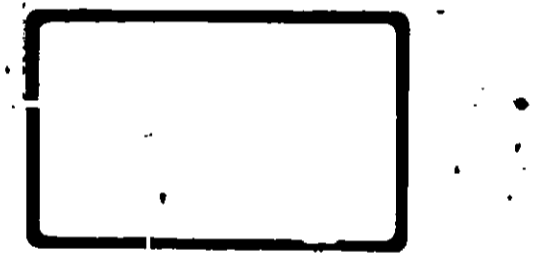


Figure 1 Top View of Feeder on Recirculation System

The quantity of chlorine liberated into the water is adjusted by exposing one or more Tabex chlorine tablets. This may be accomplished by changing the level of water in the feeder chamber or by adjusting the level of the canister.

A check valve is provided in the return line tubing. The check valve prevents loss of prime to the pump.

### Locating the feeder

Adequate suction at the pump and pressure in the return line to the pool are essential to successful operation of the Tabex Aquarian Feeder. The most desirable location for the feeder chamber is near the filtration equipment and above the level of water in the pool.

Figure 2 shows the most desirable installation for the Tabex Aquarian Feeder. The filtration equipment for the in-ground pool is located at or above the level of the water in the pool and the feeder is adjacent to the filter and pump.

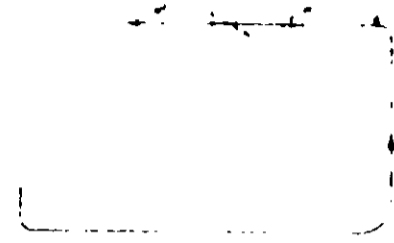


Figure 2 Normal in-ground pool installation

The Tabex Aquarian Feeder is designed for installation on pools with water circulation and filtration systems. The feeder is connected to the pool circulation system by 1/2" diameter tubing. The feeder is installed near the filtration equipment and above the level of water in the pool.

Where the filtration equipment is below the pool water level (Figure 3) the feeder should be elevated to the level of the water in the pool or higher, with longer tubing used if necessary to connect the feeder to the circulation system.

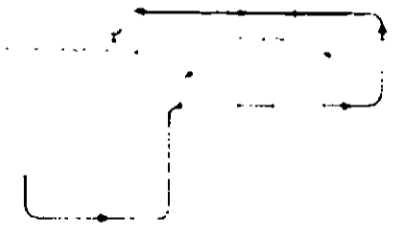


Figure 3 In-ground pool with pump and filter located below ground

Below water level installation is not recommended. If a feeder must be located below water level, the check valve must be reversed and inserted into the water outlet tube to prevent possible flooding. Professional installation is recommended.

For an above-ground pool (Figure 4), installation is not unlike the situation in which the filtration equipment is located below the pool water level. The feeder should be located on a deck at or the pump and filter if at all possible. A simple feeder bracket, available for the Tabex Aquarian Feeder at a nominal cost, The bracket attaches to a support leg of the pool.

On above-ground pools with feeder located above pool water level, the check valve.

If it is necessary to locate the feeder below the pool water level, install with your Tabex pool professional dealer. Do not attempt a professional pool installation to make the installation. Never install the feeder in a basement area. For more information

contact your dealer or write to: Tabex, Inc., P.O. Box 100, 10000 W. 10th Ave., Denver, CO 80201.

The Tabex Aquarian Feeder should be installed at the water level or below. Although the feeder may be installed in the feeder chamber, the feeder may be submerged to make the installation easier to install.

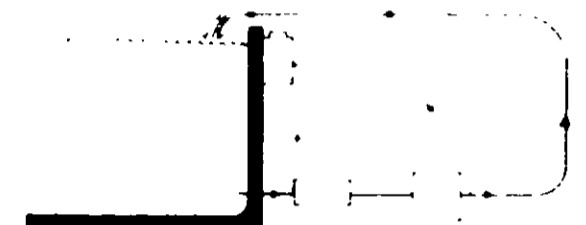


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## DIRECTIONS:

1. Adjust pool water pH to 7.2-7.8 range as determined by suitable pH test kit. Use Tabex pH Up (if pH is low), Tabex pH Down (if pH is high) or Tabex pH Stabilizer (if water alkalinity is 100 ppm).
2. Stabilize pool water with 30 ppm conditioning agent by adding one lb. of Tabex Conditioner for each 4,000 gallons. Thereafter, regular use of Tabex Chlorine Granular will provide any needed makeup conditioner.
3. Before first use of Tabex Chlorine Concentrate Granular, superchlorinate (shock treat) pool water to 4 ppm chlorine residual by adding 9 oz. of Tabex Chlorine Concentrate Granular for each 10,000 gallons of pool water with dosage to be repeated until residual is obtained as determined by use of a chlorine test kit. Before using pool, allow chlorine residual to return to 1.0-1.5 ppm level as determined by use of a chlorine test kit.
4. Add 2½ ounces every other day (or 1¼ ounces daily) or more as needed of Tabex Chlorine Concentrate Granular per 10,000 gallons of pool water as determined by use of a suitable chlorine test kit to maintain a chlorine residual of 1.0 to 1.5 ppm at all times.
5. During the summer and peak bather loads, superchlorinate (shock treat) pool water to 4 ppm chlorine residual with Tabex Rapid Chlor Tabs as directed on that container label. Failure to superchlorinate could result in growth of pool water algae. For such a condition, use Tabex Algae Out as directed on the container.

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Active Ingredient: Sodium Dichloro-s-Triazinetrione 100%  
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Tabex Chlorine Concentrate Granular is a stabilized chlorine which will provide effective control of bacteria and algae when used as directed. For the convenience of continuous, automatically fed chlorine and relief from frequent hand feeding, try the Tabex Aquarian Feeder with its patented slow dissolving tablets. For free bulletins on pool water chemistry, write the manufacturer, Dept. A, giving pool size, gallonage and type (for example: gunite or vinyl; above-ground or in-ground).

**DANGER:** May cause eye damage. Harmful if taken internally. May cause burns on wet skin. Rinse hands after handling. Strong oxidizer: Do not mix with any other chemical—mix only with water. Do not get into eyes. If in eyes, rinse with cold water, call physician. Avoid inhalation of dust and vapors. Keep away from organic matter (may cause fire), heat or open flame. Keep dry—chlorine and equally toxic gases liberated when wet. Do not reuse container. Destroy when empty.

Antidote: Drink milk of magnesia, vegetable oil or whites of eggs and call physician.

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1. Adjust pool water pH to 7.2-7.8 range as determined by suitable test kit
2. Stabilize pool water with 30 ppm conditioning agent (100% cyanuric acid).
3. Before first use of the feeder canister, superchlorinate (shock treat) pool water to 4 ppm chlorine residual, as determined by use of a chlorine test kit. Avoid entering pool until the chlorine residual drops to 2.0 ppm.
4. Before using the feeder canister, remove bottom cap (to permit water circulation) and remove tab over vent hole in top lid (to avoid air lock).
5. Maintain a chlorine residual of 1.0 to 1.5 ppm at all times (as determined by daily or more frequent use of a chlorine test kit) by immersing one Tabex chlorine tablet (or more until residual is obtained) in the Tabex Aquarian Feeder for up to 10,000 gallons of pool water per tablet. By the positioning of the canister in the feeder and/or adjustment of the water level in the feeder chamber, up to three tablets in a canister may be immersed. Two canisters may be inserted into the feeder; thus up to 6 tablets may be immersed at one time. This canister of tablets is designed for use in the Tabex Aquarian Feeder only. Tablets in canister should not be emptied directly in the pool as discoloration of the pool liner or paint could occur.
6. During the summer and peak bather loads, superchlorinate (shock treat) at least twice monthly as directed in "3" above. Failure to superchlorinate could result in growth of pool water algae. For such a condition, use Tabex Algae Out as directed on container.
7. Replace canister when last tablet drops into feeder.

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