

# Large Pond Management Overview



Controlling nuisance aquatic plants and/or algae is a problem nearly every pond owner is forced to deal with sooner or later. EasyPro® offers a wide selection of aquatic weed and algae control products, along with nearly five decades of experience to help you figure out your problem plants and how to deal with them.

When treating a pond, there are several options available. Ideally, you will take some time and understand what is causing the problem. Understanding what is causing the problem will help future treatment and control much easier. The following offers some ways to improve water quality and control aquatic growth.

## Aeration

Utilizing aeration will do several things, first, it maintains higher oxygen levels in the pond, particularly near the bottom. This allows organic materials to decompose rather than accumulate.

Secondly, aeration will allow natural and added bacteria to work faster at digesting the nutrients in the pond. Third, moving water is much healthier than stagnant water.

Aeration will prevent water stratification, creating more uniform water temperatures from top to bottom.



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## Beneficial Bacteria

Adding beneficial bacteria to your pond is extremely helpful in removing excess nutrients. Muck build up, if left in the pond, contributes significantly to future weed and algae growth.

Thousands of pond owners use Pond-Vive or Pond-Vive L from EasyPro® to help control muck build up. This proprietary blend of enzymes producing beneficial bacteria is formulated to consume and break down the waste in ponds and improve water quality.



## Aquatic Herbicide & Algaecide Treatments

The use of safe aquatic chemicals is the most common form of treatment. Each of the products we offer is safe for humans, fish, and pets when used in accordance with the label. Be sure to read and follow all instructions on the manufacturer label.

Proper identification is crucial to the success of any chemical treatment. Many aquatic weeds look very similar but some require totally different products to control them. Please see our How To Identify Aquatic Weeds & Algae Handout to identify specific aquatic weeds and algae. If you can safely identify your weed(s) from one of these pictures, then you can select the proper treatment from our Chemical Selection Chart.

Aeration, bacteria, or chemical use alone will not usually solve the problem. Used in conjunction, however, these products are extremely effective at reducing problems and improving water quality. Please contact us for assistance in determining the best plan of action for your pond.

## Need help or have questions?

You can call us at 231-834-7720 or fill out the online Contact Us form to submit your question or request and we will get back to you ASAP.