

Reef GeeksTM Water Prep & Culture SOP

Clean • Sterilise • Neutralise • Grow

Purpose

To provide a simple, repeatable, reef-safe method for preparing clean water and maintaining healthy phytoplankton cultures using the Reef GeeksTM Water Prep & Culture Series.

Scope

This SOP applies to:

- Phytoplankton culture
- Reef aquarium water preparation
- Aquaculture and live food systems

using Reef GeeksTM branded solutions.



Step 1 — CultureClean Pro (Surface Preparation)

Product: Reef GeeksTM CultureClean Pro

What this does

Removes surface contaminants from tools, bottles, caps, tubing, and work areas before culture work begins.

Procedure

- 1. Wash all equipment thoroughly using warm water and mild detergent
- 2. Spray CultureClean Pro onto all tools and work surfaces until visibly wet
- 3. Allow a minimum contact time of 1 minute
- 4. Allow to air dry or wipe with a clean, lint-free towel
- Reduces contamination risk before water or cultures are handled.



Step 2 — **SteriMix Pro (Water Sterilisation)**

Product: Reef GeeksTM **SteriMix** Pro

What this does

Eliminates bacteria, spores, and unwanted microbes in culture water.

Procedure

- 1. Dose SteriMix Pro to prepared salt water as per label directions
- 2. 1 mL per 1 L water
- 3. Mix thoroughly
- 4. Allow 30-60 minutes contact time



⚠ Water is **not yet safe** for reef or phyto use until chlorine is neutralised.



Step 3 — **Dechlor Pro (Chlorine Neutralisation)**

Product: Reef GeeksTM Dechlor Pro

What this does

Instantly neutralises chlorine, making sterilised water safe for reef systems and phytoplankton.

Procedure

- 1. Add Dechlor Pro after SteriMix Pro contact time
- 2. Standard dose:
- 3. 1 mL per 1 L water
- 4. Mix well
- 5. Allow ~1 minute contact time

✓ Reef-safe • Phyto-safe • Overdose-safe



Product: Reef GeeksTM PhytoGrow Pro

What this does

Provides balanced nutrients to support strong, stable phytoplankton growth without guesswork.

Dosing

- Standard dose:
 - 1 mL PhytoGrow Pro per 1 L culture volume
- Add after chlorine has been fully neutralised
- Dose once at culture start

(Advanced users may adjust dosing based on species, density, and harvest schedule.)

Procedure

- 1. Add PhytoGrow Pro to prepared, chlorine-free water
- 2. Inoculate with phytoplankton starter culture
- 3. Provide continuous gentle aeration
- 4. Maintain appropriate light and temperature
- 5. Monitor colour and density; harvest as required
- Supports dense, healthy, repeatable phyto cultures.

┌ Reef Geeks™ Workflow Summary

- SteriMix Pro →
- lack Dechlor Pro \rightarrow
- **ThytoGrow Pro**

Simple chemistry. Repeatable results. Reef-safe by design.

Safety Notes

- CultureClean Pro is **flammable** use with ventilation
- SteriMix Pro contains bleach never mix with acids or ammonia
- Dechlor Pro is non-toxic and overdose-safe
- Always Use as per label directions