

## Aquarium Helper.

### ***“Should that fish be floating on top of the water?”***

That's not something anyone with an aquarium wants to hear! Aquarium Helper allows you to monitor details about your fish population and water quality so you can do as much as possible to prevent those little disasters.









### Using Aquarium Helper

Aquarium Helper is broken down into three parts:

1. My Fish. This is the database. In this section you can record and maintain details of your fish population.
2. Calculations: This section contains calculation screens to help you work out much water your aquarium contains (imperial and metric). You can also calculate how many inches or centimetres of fish should be housed in different sized tanks.
3. Reminders: You can set alarms to remind yourself that certain tasks are due. Never forget to change that water again!

### Interface

Throughout the program, the following icons may be seen:

-  Add a new record to the database.
-  Go to previous record in the database.
-  Go to next record in the database.
-  Delete current record from the database.
-  Go to the notes screen
-  Go to table view
-  Go to a help screen
-  Done. Tapping this icon will take you up a menu level, either back to the screen you came from, or sometimes to the main menu if there wasn't a previous screen.

### Shareware

Aquarium Helper is Shareware, but very inexpensive. Not much to pay for a program that can help prevent fish loss and assist you to maintain a pleasing aquarium. Please try Aquarium Helper for 7 days. After that, it will stop working. You can register Aquarium Helper at the location you downloaded it from. This will remove the nag screen and the 7 day limit.

### Main Menu

This is the screen you start at. Three buttons take you to different parts of the application.

**My Fish:** This button takes you to the view fish screen. If you have some fish in your list, you can tap on that line of the table to go to the add/edit screen. You can also get there by tapping add/edit at the bottom of the screen.

*Add/Edit Fish Info:* This screen lets you add or edit information about your fish. Using the buttons described above, you can add or delete records, and navigate between records. To the left of the Name field, you will see a *List* button. Tapping this takes you to a “choose fish” screen. Here you can pick from a list of the more common Aquarium fish. Tap the triangle and choose from the list. Then tap “add name”. You will be taken back to the add/edit screen. Fish name and its scientific name will have been added to the record. You can also tap the note button to record info about the current fish you are viewing. Once you are finished adding fish, tap the *table* button to go back to view fish, or the *tick* to exit to the main menu.

**Caution!** Make sure you create a new record before using the list button; otherwise the present record will be overwritten!

## **Calculations**

This button takes you to the calculations screen. Here it is possible to work out your aquarium’s water capacity, and the quantities of fish a particular sized aquarium can effectively hold. These calculations assume the aquarium is adequately aerated and maintained.

*Tank Volume – Metric:* Add your metric aquarium measurements then tap the calculate button. Tank volume in litres is calculated. It is essential to know this when adding chemicals to your aquarium so you don’t use too little or much of the chemical.

*Number of Fish – Metric:* Add your aquariums metric measurements. Tapping calculate will work out how many fish can safely fit in that sized aquarium. This is measured in centimetres. For example, if you calculate have 60 cm of fish, you could have combinations of 60 eg. 10 x 6cm fish, 12 x 5cm fish etc. This calculation is a generally accepted method of determining fish population – increasing population in excess of this recommendation could increase fish stress and lead to other problems.

*Tank Volume – Imperial:* Same as the metric version using Imperial input.

*Number of Fish – Imperial:* Same as the metric version using imperial input.

## **Reminders**

This screen contains several alarm fields. Since keeping fish requires regular aquarium maintenance, you can remind yourself when to change water, add chemicals etc. The last field on this screen has been left for you to enter a personalised task.



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