

### Ensuring that the AQUAvalve5 floods and drains correctly

- 1** Making sure your AQUAvalve5 floods and drains correctly is simply achieved and only takes a few seconds.
- 2** Hold the AQUAvalve5 at eye level so that you can see the silicone fitted to the top float resting on the hole below it.
- 3** The silicone must create a tight seal when touching the hole.
- 4** If it looks like it is not sitting parallel on the hole below, simply lift the top float and apply pressure to one side of the silicone, drop the float and hold at eye level again. Repeat the procedure if necessary.

### Care and maintenance

- 1** At the end of your growing season, clean the AQUAvalve5 using warm soapy water. Using an old tooth brush will help.  
  
The AQUAvalve5 is easily disassembled. The top float will slide all the way across and the bottom float is unclipped from its pivoting position. The circular discs fitted to the top float can also be removed by using pliers to grip the raised point.  
  
At this point it is advisable to remove the silicones to avoid them being lost.
- 2** It is also handy to have a paper clip or pipe cleaner to hand so that you can push it through the AQUAvalve5 nozzle, this will remove any lime scale build up that may have occurred during the growing season.  
  
Blowing through the AQUAvalve5 nozzle will also help to remove any build up. Do not under any circumstances use a drill & drill bit to clear the AQUAvalve5 nozzle.  
  
**This will potentially damage the AQUAvalve5 beyond repair.**

## Your XXL 8Pot set-up guidelines



8Pot XXL 50  
(50L pot - excl. adaptive collar)

8Pot XXL 35  
(35L pot - incl. adaptive collar)

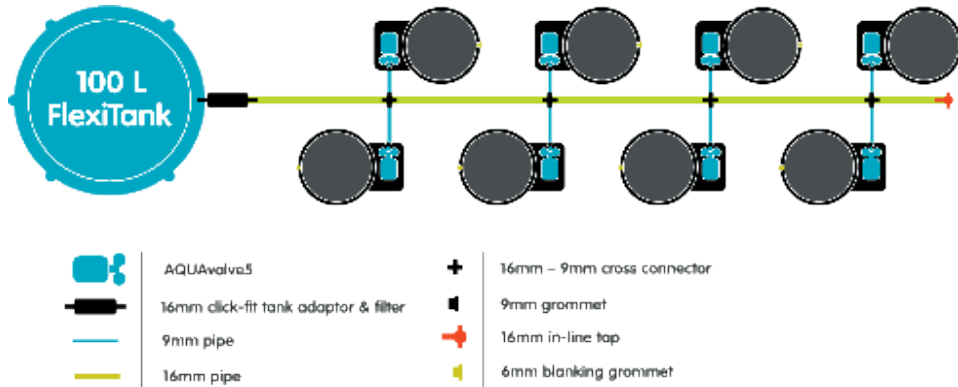
## XXL 8Pot System contents

- 1x 100L FlexiTank ('with tank' option)
- 1x 16mm click-fit adaptor & filter
- 8x 1Pot XXL tray, lid & 9mm grommet
- 8x 6mm blanking grommet
- 8x XXL adaptive collar (XXL35 Only)
- 8x 35L or 50L fabric FlexiPot
- 4x 16-9mm cross connector
- 8x AQUAvalve5
- 4 metres of 16mm pipe
- 4 metres of 9mm pipe
- 8x FlexiPot PotSock Ref: 9mm pipe - Outside  $\varnothing$  9mm/Inside  $\varnothing$  7mm
- 1x 16mm inline tap 16mm pipe - Outside  $\varnothing$  16mm/Inside  $\varnothing$  13mm

## Plan views and options

### Suggested layouts

System requires minimum 100L reservoir  
Elevate reservoir 150mm to maintain gravity pressure



### Advice

- Please note that multiple FlexiPots may increase room humidity due to the exposed surfaces of the fabric pots.
- Pot up your plants, water through, then allow your plants to establish in the pots for a period of 7 to 10 days before turning your system on. This will encourage a stronger and healthier root system.
- Always raise your reservoir to a minimum of 150mm above the highest AQUAvalve and re-fill the reservoir when there is approximately a 1/3 of the solution left - NEVER ALLOW THE RESERVOIR TO RUN EMPTY.
- With AQUAvalve5 systems mineral or organic fertilisers may be fed via the reservoir and pipework. Organic fertilisers will require a water pump in the reservoir running for 15 mins every 2 hrs and cleaning of the reservoir, pump, and filter each time the reservoir empties. Flush pipework with plain water every time the reservoir empties.
- Clean all substrate from the bottom and sides of the pots before placing in trays to ensure AQUAvalve functionality.
- Always use free draining substrates, for example: soil/perlite, coco/perlite, soil/clay pebbles, coco/clay pebbles, rockwool/clay pebbles.

## XXL 8Pot setup instructions

- Fill FlexiPot with grow media and pot up plants.
- Fit FlexiPot PotSock over the base of FlexiPot  
Water through pot and allow to drain outside the tray. Brush off debris.
- The 6mm Blanking Grommet should come ready-fitted in the hole in the front of the tray  
If growing outdoors remove this grommet. **If growing indoors keep this grommet in place.**
- The 9mm grommet (with hole) will need fitting into the square section of the tray.  
From the outside of the tray push the 9mm grommet into the hole in the tray wall.
- Thread approx 30cm of 9mm pipe into the tray through the grommet.  
Wetting the pipe end with cold water helps harden it, aiding insertion.
- Remove AQUAvalve collar  
Push 9mm pipe through collar and attach to AQUAvalve nozzle  
Rescrew collar - **DON'T overturn...** when you feel it grip **STOP**
- Remove any slack in the 9mm pipe by drawing excess out of the tray.
- Align the 'half moon' section on the rear of the AQUAvalve with the 'T' section in the tray.  
Firmly push the AQUAvalve onto the 'T'.
- Cut 9mm/16mm pipe to appropriate length
- According to the size of your system connect your 9mm/16mm pipe to relevant fitting or tank...
- If using 35L FlexiPot only:**  
Fit adaptive ring to rim of module tray
- Place FlexiPot into the tray. Make sure it is **CLEAN!**  
Place lid over AQUAvalve compartment on the tray.

Using your front instruction sheet, repeat the module set up instructions for the number of trays.

**Allow your plants to establish for 7-10 days before turning system on**

### Advice

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