

# Stendker 10 Golden Rules

## Preamble

We have been breeding our popular STENDKER discus fish for over 55 years in the 3rd generation in Germany and have accustomed our offspring to German tap water values. Our animals are therefore brilliant in colour, very robust, not easily frightened and used to people. Our STENDKER discus fish are DIFFERENT and cannot be compared with the wild caught discus fish from the Amazon.

## Our water parameters:

GH 15, carbonate hardness KH 8,

pH value 7, conductance 800  $\mu$ S,

at a water temperature of 28°-30°C (usually no osmosis system required).

Dealer recommendation for water parameters in specialist shops:

We keep our animals with a nitrate value NO<sub>3</sub> of approx. 200 mg/l. Our specialist dealers should therefore not make the water values too good and the NO<sub>3</sub> value should be around 100 mg/l. If you keep our animals at 100 mg/l nitrate it's an improvement and if the customer then has 50 mg/l it's an improvement again and so it's ideal for the fish and the customer. A permanent pH value below 8 is important. With a 1 x weekly water change of approx. 30 percent and 3 x daily feeding with our professional discus food Good Heart, our STENDKER discus fish usually have a long life expectancy (up to 15 years).