# **Barley-bio Algae Control**

# Controls blanketweed and green water

Ecopond Barley-bio Algae Control is an environmentally friendly product which controls algae and blanketweed. The product works by starving the algae and changing the water chemistry to inhibit algae growth.

## Benefits of Barley-bio algae control:

- Contains micro-organisms specifically selected for algae control
- Clean, simple and easy to use.
- o Cannot be overdosed
- o Safe for fish, plants, humans, pets and wildlife.
- **Dosage:** 125 mls per 4,500 litres (1000 gallons) initial dose 20 40 mls per 4,500 litres weekly thereafter 250 ml treats up to 4,500 litres of pond water

### Additional information:

- Natural products sometimes work less quickly than available chemical products but offer a safer solution
- o Barley-bio algae control does not contain any chemicals
- o The product will not cause any clouding of the water or leave any residue
- The micro-organisms are cultivated on a barley straw substrate.







# **Frequently Asked Questions:**

#### How do I use Ecopond Barley-Bio algae control?

We recommend dosing 125 mls per 4,500 litres (1000 gallons) as an initial dose followed by 20 - 40mls per 4,500 litres each week through the summer. This ensures a background level is maintained within the pond to stop further algae growth.

Remove as much blanketweed as possible before dosing and then stop manual removal. Removing existing blanketweed prevents dead algae creating nutrient-rich sludge at the bottom of the pond and speeds up the control process.

If using Barley-bio algae control as a preventative measure, we recommend starting to dose it at the beginning of March at a rate of 20 mls per week.

Please note that these dosages are given as a guideline, as all ponds and all algae are different and respond differently to treatment. Barley-bio algae control is a totally natural product, so it may take a few weeks before you see the full effect. If you are not satisfied that it is working quickly enough, you can add more as it will not harm your fish, pond plants, wildlife or pets.

It is best added near to a re-circulating system or pond pump to ensure it is well mixed, but otherwise, it can simply be sprinkled across the surface of the water. The 250ml, 500ml and 1 litre bottles have built-in measuring chambers. Simply remove the cap on the measuring chamber and gently squeeze the bottle to fill the chamber to the required level.

#### What are the benefits of using Barley-bio algae control?

Barley-bio algae control contains micro-organisms specifically selected for their ability to control algae. Unlike some powder algae control products, it will not cause any clouding of the water or leave any residue.

Its regular use will help control blanket weed algae & green water.

As it is totally natural and safe to use you can be confident that precious fish or plants will not be affected by it.

#### Is there any anything that stops Ecopond Barley-bio algae control from working?

Barley-bio algae control works well under most conditions, but you may require a higher dose in ponds with high silt content, or in very hard water areas.

#### Is there a situation where it cannot be used?

No, it is safe to use in even the most sensitive environments.

#### What happens if I add too much?

Don't worry. It is a totally natural product and no harm can be done by adding too much. It may even kill the algae more quickly.