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Attn: Matthew Fritze

Dear Matt,

I just wanted to take a moment and provide you with some feedback regarding the Aeromix Aquatornado I purchased last fall and installed in our lake in Luck, Wisconsin.

The product worked extremely well and kept a significant portion of our 45 acre lake open, allowing for effective aeration. This was a pretty mild winter but based upon the effectiveness of this operation this winter I know this product is going to provide all the necessary aeration in future years. We have experience periodic winter fish kill in our lake and I have no doubt this will completely prevent or significantly minimize that risk going forward.

I am including some suggestions for installation and would be happy to be used as a reference for anyone looking to install this product in their lake. I wish I had an opportunity to discuss with someone before doing our first installation. I'm sure it would have eliminated some of our mistakes with the installation of the barrier.

Thanks for your assistance and for providing such an effective product.



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## Suggestions for installation of Aquatornado – 2 horsepower version

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The purpose of this information is to share my experience with the installation of the Aeromix Aquatornado. I purchased the unit and installed it on a 45 acre lake in Wisconsin in January, 2005. The lake is about 16 feet deep and this product worked very well, keeping an area open about 75 feet wide and 150-175 feet in length.

The following are some suggestions as to how to install and hopefully can help you avoid some of our installation mistakes. In Wisconsin installation of an aerator requires the installation of a barrier around the area that is expected to be open water. This is the area I had the most problem with installation. Next year I expect the installation to be much easier because of the lessons learned the first time through.

Here are some suggestions for installation – (installing after lake freezes over):

1. Install the anchors before the lake freezes over, spacing them according to the instructions that are provided with the Aquatornado. Attach to a buoy that you can cut out once there is 4-5 inches of ice on the lake and you are ready to install.
2. If you are required to install a barrier around the unit, plan on installing the barrier before actually installing the Aquatornado. This will allow time for the barrier posts to freeze in place before starting the aeration.
3. After barrier posts are in place and frozen in, attach the fence or barrier rope and reflective tape as required by the laws where the unit is installed. Drawing of posts and use of rope (this is what I used) for barrier attached.
4. Cut the hole for the Aquatornado, attach the anchors and run the power line to the power source.
5. Apply power and your set to go.

Size of the barrier was a real problem. We did not make this a big enough area and ended up having to redo a couple of times because the area opened was greater than anticipated and the barrier was in the water. Next year we will create a barrier that is 125-150 feet wide and 225-250 in length. The aerator should be placed about 30-40 feet from the end of the barrier with the direction of water movement away from that end.

In the spring you will need to turn off the aerator before the ice melts to avoid the barrier getting tangled in the Aquatornado.

As a reference the operation of the unit we installed, the 2 horsepower, 220V version, cost a little less than \$3 per day to operate.

If there are questions feel free to call and I can share my experience with installation.