

## STRATUM ACCLIMATION KIT INSTRUCTIONS



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TC plants are grown in a plastic bag containing a medium made of agar, plant food, and rooting hormone. They can live in the bag until the media runs out of nutrients or it is contaminated by fungus or bacteria.

If the plant doesn't have roots yet, let it continue to grow by placing it under a grow light or next to a window that provides bright, indirect light until roots grow. However, if the medium shows signs of contamination, open the bag and go to step 1.

1. Unpack the acclimation kit.
2. Clean the plants by removing ALL the medium under running water. Any media that is left on the plant is a prime breeding ground for fungus, so be sure to remove it all. Remove any yellow leaves or damaged parts. Rinse the plant in clean water.
3. Add distilled water to the line on the cup, add the Mancozeb, and mix. If the plant appears to be damaged, add 10-15 drops of betadine. Soak the plant for 3-5 minutes. Try to soak the entire plant from roots to leaves.
4. Rinse the plant in distilled water and let it dry on a paper towel.
5. Rinse out the cup, dry it off, and add a small layer of stratum to the bottom.
6. Dip the bottom of the plant in the rooting hormone and hold it on the layer of stratum from step 5 while you pour more stratum around it until it's able to stand upright on its own. If you mess up just pour the stratum out and try again. (TIP: dry stratum is much easier to pour back out than wet stratum, so try to keep things dry). Once you're satisfied, add water to the stratum until it's wetted but not soaked. The easiest way to do this is to listen for it to stop making the rice crispy noises. You don't want standing water.
7. Put the lid back on the cup to contain moisture and humidity. The plants like bright, indirect light, high humidity, and temperatures between 77\* and 85°F. If you see humidity beading on the inside of the cup you're in the right zone.
8. Add water when the top of the stratum gets dry.
9. In 3+ weeks when the plants have new leaves and the roots have fully colonized the stratum they can be replanted in a normal medium mix with fertilizer or moved to a larger container of stratum.



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