

"TO FLUSH OR NOT TO FLUSH ?" THAT IS THE QUESTION !

ALOT OF "OLD TIME" OR "ORGANIC SOIL GROWERS" SWEAR THEY CAN TASTE CHEMICALS IN HYDROPONICALLY GROWN POT. THIS MAY VERY WELL BE TRUE AS THE STEADY SUPPLY OF STRONG HYDROPONIC CHEMICALS TO THE PLANTS, CAN CREATE NUTRIENT, AND SALTY BUILD-UPS. ITS THESE BUILD-UPS THAT CAN AFFECT THE TRUE TASTE OF YOUR MARIJUNANA. ITS ALSO CONCLUDED THAT THE BURNING OF THESE CHEMICALS AND SALTS BUILD-UPS CAN CREATE TOXINS WHEN BURNED THROUGH SMOKING. THESE ARE CONCLUSIONS MADE BY ALOT OF ORGANIC GROWERS, AND ONE OF THE REASONS, IF NOT THE ONLY REASON WHY HYDROPONICS IS NOT THERE CHOICE AS A METHOD OF GROWING. THERE IS NO DOUBT HYDROPONIC GARDENING CAN OUT GROW ANY SOIL GROWN OPERATION, IT IS SCIENTIFICALLY PROVEN, AND HENCE WHY HYDROPONICS IS SUCH A BIG BOOMING BUSINESS TODAY, ESPECIALLY IN CANADA. LEAMINGTON, ONTARIO, CANADA, IS THE TOMATOE CAPITOL OF CANADA BABY! AND ALL THE GREENHOUSES THERE , ARE GROWING NOW WITH HYDROPONICS. MYSELF I DONT FEEL SO STRONGLY ABOUT THIS, AND HAVE NOT NOTICED ANY CHEMICAL TASTE IN HYDROPONICALLY GROWN MARIJUANA. BUT TO SOLVE ANY DISCREPENCIES, AND TO MAYBE CATCH ON TO A FEW TIPS AND TRICKS, LETS TALK ABOUT "FLUSHING"

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FLUSHING IS A PROCESS DONE BOTH BY HYDROPONIC GARDENERS. ITS DONE TO WASH AWAY OR CLEAN THE PLANTS OF THOSE CHEMICAL BUILD-UPS WE WERE TALKING ABOUT. VERY BASIC AND DONE WITH ONLY WATER. IM SUGGESTING TO HYDRO GROWERS TO ADAPT THIS PROCESS FIVE DAYS PRIOR TO HARVEST, AND FOR THE SOIL GROWERS, TWO WEEKS PRIOR TO YOUR HARVESTING. BUT LIKE EVERYTHING IN THE MARIJUANA GROWING WORLD THIS IS ENTIRELY YOUR OPTION, TO DO WHEN YOU WANT. HYDROPONIC GROWERS WILL EMPTY THERE RESOVOIRS OF ITS NUTRIENT SOLUTION, AND REPLACE IT WITH PLAIN WATER. NO NUTRIENTS. THEY WILL RUN THERE PLANTS ON STRAIGHT WATER, FLUSHING THE PLANTS ROOTS CLEAN, AND GIVING THE PLANTS TIME TO USE UP ANY EXCESSIVE CHEMICALS THEY HAVE STORED. EVERY DAY THEY WILL CHANGE THIS WATER, FOR THE FIVE DAY PERIOD OR WEEK ECT.

WHAT ABOUT IF YOUR ON A "SYSTEMATIC HARVESTING SYSTEM ?" OR THE WHOLE PLANT HAS NOT MATURED.

WELL THATS ANOTHER AWESOME THING ABOUT HYDROPONICS, THAT THE SYSTEMS AND THINGS YOU CAN DO ARE SO ADAPTABLE. IF ONLY THE "TOPPS" OF YOUR PLANTS HAVE MATURED, THE STILL OBVIOUS THING TO DO IS TAKE ONLY THE FULLY MATURED BUDDS. SO WHEN THE REMOVAL OF THOSE BUDDS HAS BEEN COMPLETED, ITS EASY TO, AND WE DO, SWITCH THEM BACK TO THEIR REGULAR NUTRIENT FEEDING SYSTEM. ALSO FOR THE GARDEN GROWERS WHO HAVE PLANTS COMING DOWN AT DIFFERENT TIMES AND INTERVALS THIS IS JUST AS EASY TO DO AS WELL. WE CAN CUT THE PLANTS SOURCE TO THE MAIN FEEDING LINES, BY TAKING AWAY THOSE INDIVIDULE FEEDING DRIPPERS. OR JUST TRANSFER THE DRIPPERS TO THE PLANTS NEXT TO THIS ONE. NOW WE CAN HAND WATER THIS PLANT INDIVIDUALY, AND SEVERAL TIMES A DAY. AS WATER IS NEEDED TO BE ADDED TO THE RESOVOIR DAILY ALREADY, THE WATER WILL RUN THROUGH THE PLANTS ROOTING SYSTEM, FLUSHING THAT INDIVIDULE PLANT. SINCE WE HAVE NOT DISCONNECTED THE DRAIN LINE FROM THIS PLANT, THE WATER WILL DRAIN THROUGH THE PLANT, DOWN THE DRAIN TUBES, AND BACK FILLING THE MAIN RESOVOIUR. IF A GROWER HAS ACCESS TO A EXTRA WATER PUMP THIS IS A ADVANTAGE AS WELL. WE CAN DISSCONNECT THE FEEDING LINES AND THE DRAIN LINE. NOW WE SUPPLY AND DRAIN THIS INDIVIDULE PLANT SEPERATLY, WITHOUT THE ADDED WORK OF HAVING TO HAND WATER FOR THE ALOTED FIVE DAYS. IN A SEPERATE FIVE OR TEN GALLON PAIL UNDER THE PLANT, WE EMMERSE THE EXTRA PUMP INTO THE FRESH WATER. THE PAILS DRAIN HOLE IS NOW AFFIXED WITH A SMALL SHORT LENGTH OF PIPE GOING BACK TO THE PAIL. NOW WE HAVE A SEPERATE INDIVIDULE FRESH WATER SOURCE, FOR FLUSHING THAT PETICULAR PLANT. IF AGAIN WE ARE ONLY TAKING WHAT HAS MATURED ON THE PLANT, WE CAN THEN REAFFIX THIS PLANT RIGHT BACK TO THE MAIN FEEDING AND DRAINAGE LINES. SOIL GROWERS WILL WANT TO ADAPT THIS PROCESS UP TO TWO WEEKS BEFORE THEIR INITIAL HARVESTING PERIOD, AS IT TAKES LONGER FOR THE ROOTS IN SOIL TO BREAK DOWN THE BUILD-UPS AND SALTS. MOSTLY BECAUSE THE BUILD-UPS ARE IN THE SOIL, AND STAY IN SOIL LONGER, THEREFORE THE PLANTS ROOTS NEED A LONGER PERIOD TO BREAK DOWN THE EXCESSIVE CHEMICAL BUILD-UPS. HYDROPONIC GROWING MEDIUMS LIKE LAVA ROCK AND "ROCKWOOL" ARE FREE DRAINING, AND THE MEDIUMS ARE FLUSHED OUT QUITE QUICKLY. LEAVING A SHORTER TIME NEEDED FOR THE PLANT TO USE UP ITS EXTRA SALTY AND NUTRIENT BUILD UPS. MAINLY SOIL GROWERS ARE ALREADY USING WATER TO GROW, ALTERNATING THERE FERTILIZER FEEDINGS WITH PLAIN WATER. SO NOW WE EMIT THE INDIVIDULE PLANTS FERTILIZING SESSIONS, AND CONTINUE WITH PLAIN WATER FOR FLUSHING THIS PLANT. MOST HYDROPONIC GARDENERS DONT USE A OVERLY STRONG NUTRIENT SOLUTION AS IT IS. I HAVE NO CHEMICAL TASTES IN MY MARIJUANA AND IT BURNS FINE. AGAIN, ITS YOUR DECISION IN WHAT YOU BELIEVE IN FOR GROWING, AND WHAT WORKS FOR YOU. IF YOU BELIEVE THAT THE CHEMICALS ARE HIGH IN YOUR MARIJUANA, THEN.....

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NOW THATS FLUSHING FOR THE HYDROPONIC AND SOIL GROWERS, BUT THERE ARE NOT ANY REAL STRICK RULES, AND THERE ARE SOME ALTERNATIVES. TAKE FOR INSTANCE A WHOLE ALTERNATIVE TO THE "HYDROPONIC CHEMICAL FERTILIZERS", AND GO WITH "ORGANIC" FERTILIZERS. MOST REAL SOIL GROWERS ARE USING ORGANIC FERTILIZERS ALREADY, AND FOR HYDROPONICS THERE IS ALOT OF DIFFERENT ORGANIC FETILIZERS ON THE MARKET TODAY. IN MY OPINION THERE IS NOT ALOT OF DIFFERENCE IN THE TWO, IF FLUSHING IS ADAPTED AND PRACTICED IN THE PRE-HARVESTING STAGE. THERE IS ALSO A SOLUTION AVALABLE AT HYDRO SHOPS THROUGHOUT CANADA AND THE U. S.A. CALLED "CLEARING SOLUTION". THIS IS USED IN THE FLUSHING PHASE PRIOR TO HARVESTING, AND USED WITH ONLY WATER. IT AIDS AND SPEEDS UP THE BREAKING DOWN PROCESS OF THE EXTRA CHEMICAL NUTRIENTS AND SALTY BUILD-UPS IN YOUR PLANTS.

GOOD LUCK FLUSHING !!!