



South Hants Koi Club

Koi Health and Welfare

How do You Know if your Koi are Unwell

“I wish my Koi would talk and tell me if there is a problem”

- THEY DO -

All living creatures have a way of communicating and each time you look at your Koi, they are giving you an insight into their world with their possible inherent problems. With time, you will learn to read the 'signals'.

Look for any changes in:

- *Feeding*
- **Unsociability**
- **Flashing**
- **Gill Movement**
- **Body Shape**
- **Department & Attitude**
- **Change in Mucus Layer**
- **Raised Scales**
- **Skin Blemishes, Lustre & Colour**

If you note any minor changes

- DON'T PANIC -

Like Humans, Koi can have 'off-days' It may be due to 'stress' from the Cat next door or slight temperature variation etc. - There are many reasons for changes

- JUST REMAIN OBSERVANT -

*** Learn to touch your Koi, 'Bowl-up' and inspect.***

You will get a lot more out of Koi Keeping with a closer relationship with your fish as well as earlier health warnings. In addition, if the Koi is used to being handled, it will be less stressful and easier to catch by you or a visiting Health Advisor if it needs to be 'lifted'.

IF YOU ARE CONCERNED ABOUT A PROBLEM – SEEK ASSISTANCE
