Zebrafish Stocking Density

The UM IACUC recommends a stocking density of 5 fish per liter for adult zebrafish. This is the stocking density recommended in the 8th edition of The Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals.

However, based on current research, up to 12 adult fish (3 months of age and older) per liter may be permitted with justification and provided no animal welfare issues are identified.

Stocking densities for zebrafish in the young and larval stages may be significantly higher.

References: