

MUG-A-BUG

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Public Support:
The most important
factor in a successful
control program.

Inform the Public with Informational Fliers (Public Notices)

- Distribute and post in meeting places:
 - Post Offices
 - Banks
 - Restaurants
 - All Businesses, Poles, etc.

HOMEOWNER'S SOURCE GUIDE FOR MOSQUITO LARVAL HABITATS IN ARTIFICIAL AND NATURAL CONTAINERS AROUND THE HOUSE

1. Buckets
2. Cans
3. Bottles
4. Jars and their lids, particularly those used to root plants indoors and outdoors
5. Toys, particularly plastics
6. Swimming pools
7. Wading pools
8. Tires
9. Wagons
10. Wheel barrows
11. Cups
12. Flower pots and saucers
13. Bird baths
14. Blocked gutters
15. Plastic drain pipes
16. Tree holes
17. Root holes
18. Plant leaf axils
19. Tarps over wood piles
20. Machinery: refrigerators, washers, freezers, junk autos and parts
21. Air conditioner drain areas
22. Hubcaps
23. Ceramic bowls/ old toilet bowls and tubs
24. Pipes in ground (upright)
25. Pet water bowls
26. Trash cans
27. Cement ponds, pools, cisterns, catch basins, sump pits
28. Flat roofs
29. Boats and canoes
30. Hot tubs
31. Rain barrels

NOTE: ALL OF THE ABOVE SITES WHERE MOSQUITO LARVAE DEVELOP DO NOT INVOLVE SOIL AND GROUND WATER (SUCH AS LAKES, PONDS, DITCHES, SWAMPS, GROUND POOLS, STREAMS, CREEKS AND RIVERS).

ARE YOU HELPING TO PREVENT ENCEPHALITIS?



Discourage mosquitoes from breeding in your neighborhood by eliminating trash and containers that may hold water, such as tin cans, jars and old tires.

The Northern House Mosquito transmits encephalitis from bird to man. This mosquito is found throughout residential areas, especially where sewage or other organic waste forms stagnant pools in poorly maintained streams or drainage ditches. The eggs of this mosquito are deposited in clusters of 50 to 400 directly on the water surface. The eggs hatch within a day or two into larvae or "wrigglers" which change into the pupal or resting stage before emerging as adult mosquitoes which remain very close to their breeding areas.

The development from egg to adult may be completed in as little as 10 days during warm weather. They also develop in various artificial containers, such as tin cans, rubber tires, or birdbaths which may hold water. Water remaining for more than one week becomes a productive site for mosquitoes to breed in. Reduce the breeding of this mosquito and you lessen the possibility of encephalitis.

What Can I Do?

1. Eliminate unnecessary water and water holding containers.
2. Clean out rain gutters and downspouts.
3. Eliminate hiding places by cutting weeds, pruning shrubs and disposing of useless artificial containers and other junk.
4. Follow manufacturers recommendations for proper care of swimming pools.
5. Stock ornamental pools with goldfish or minnows.
6. Store pails, barrels, tubs, vases, boats and wheel barrows upside down.
7. Cover cisterns, rain barrels, and fire barrels with fine mesh screen (16x16 meshes to the inch).
8. Repair or replace screens on doors and windows.
9. Use repellents outdoors in the evening or stay indoors.
10. Always read the pesticide label before applying pesticides around the home.
11. Show this report to your neighbors. Ask them to do their part.
12. Inspect your property weekly. If the suggestions above are not possible, call the office phone below.



Keep lawns, shrubs and weeds trimmed to eliminate hiding places for adult mosquitoes.

PUT YOUR LOGO AND PHONE NUMBER HERE

MOSQUITO CONTROL IS A COMMUNITY PROBLEM.
BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR AND DO YOUR PART
AIM FOR PREVENTION AND BETTER CONTROL



Protect your home against MOSQUITOES



Mosquitoes can develop in any standing water that is present for more than five days. To reduce the mosquito population around your home and property, eliminate all standing water and debris. Here are some spots where water can collect or where poor maintenance can cause problems.



Pool cover that collects water, neglects swimming pool, hot tub or child's wading pool



Birdbath (clean weekly) and ornamental pond (catch with fish)



Any toy, garden equipment or container that can hold water



Flat roof without adequate drainage



Trash and discarded tires (fill drain holes in bottom of tire swings)



Stove top hole or hollow stump



Absent, damaged or improperly installed screens



Uncovered boat or boat cover that collects water



Leaky faucet or gut hose (change water daily)



Clogged rain gutters (home and street)

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Inform the Public

- Press
- Fairs
- Clean-ups/mosquitoes
- Council Meetings
- Ordinances
- Educational Programs

Educational Programs

- Grade Schools
- Youth & Adult Groups
 - Boy Scouts
 - Rotary Clubs

Educational Programs

- Grade Schools
 - May
 - 3rd to 4th graders
 - Take mosquito larvae
- CDC Curriculum “Neato Mosquito” available on-line at www.cdc.gov

Benefits

- Understanding
- Establish Cooperation
- Reach Goals Together
- The “PRO-ACTIVE” Approach!

Prepare for Complaints

- Educate yourself about products
- Apply them according to the label
- Applicators licensed & educated
- Accurate Records

When In Doubt, Dump It Out

Video used for schools and
home owners associations by
Leon County Florida

www.co.leon.fl.us/mosquito/mceduc/schoolprogram/school_video_page.htm