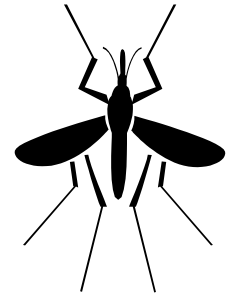


The Best Offense is a Good Defense - *The SWAT Team's Top Ten List for preventing mosquito breeding sites . . .*



- 1.** *Dispose of cans, bottles, and plastics containers. Store items to be recycled in covered trashcans or sealed bags.*
- 2.** *Eliminate discarded tires. Drill drainage holes in tires used for playground equipment.*
- 3.** *Clean roof gutters and downspout screens regularly. Eliminate standing water on roofs.*
- 4.** *Turn over plastic wading pools, wheelbarrows and other containers.*
- 5.** *Do not leave garbage can lids upside down. Do not allow water to collect in the bottom of garbage cans.*
- 6.** *Flush birdbaths and the bottom of potted plant holder trays twice a week.*
- 7.** *Adjust tarps over grills, firewood piles, boats, and swimming pools to eliminate standing water.*
- 8.** *Regrade drainage areas and clean out debris in ditches to eliminate standing water.*
- 9.** *Fix dripping water faucets and eliminate puddles from air conditioners.*
- 10.** *Store pet food and water bowls indoors when not in use.*

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