

Take Action!

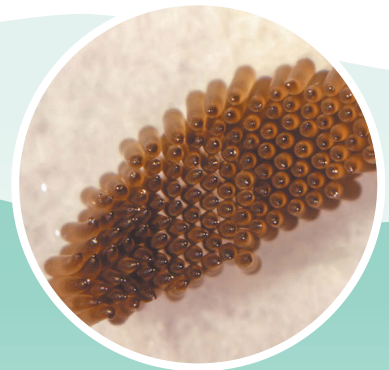
LEARN HOW YOU CAN STOP MOSQUITOES FROM BREEDING AT YOUR HOUSE



ADULT

DAY 7 Adult females emerge and begin blood feeding within a couple of days. Within her lifespan of about two to four weeks, a female mosquito can lay 100-300 eggs every three to four days.

EGGS



DAY 1 Eggs are laid on the surface of standing water or above the waterline of various objects that hold water. Incubation varies, but eggs will generally hatch into larvae in a couple of days.

LARVAE



DAY 2-4 Larvae feed on microorganisms in the water and come to the surface to breathe. After the fourth molt, they change into pupae.

PUPAE



DAY 5-6 The pupa stage is a resting and non-feeding stage of about 48 hours, as it morphs into an adult inside casings.



INSIDE: LEARN HOW TO CHOOSE AND APPLY EPA-REGISTERED ARTHROPOD REPELLENTS ON **PAGE 2**
AND KEEP YOUR HOME MOSQUITO-FREE ON **PAGE 3**

Prevent the Bite Day and Night!

PROTECT YOURSELF AND YOUR FAMILY WITH SAFE REPELLENTS

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)-registered insect repellents are the first line of defense against mosquito-borne diseases like West Nile virus. They prevent bites by making people less attractive to mosquitoes. EPA-registration means that the EPA has evaluated and approved the product for human safety and effectiveness when applied according to instructions on the label.

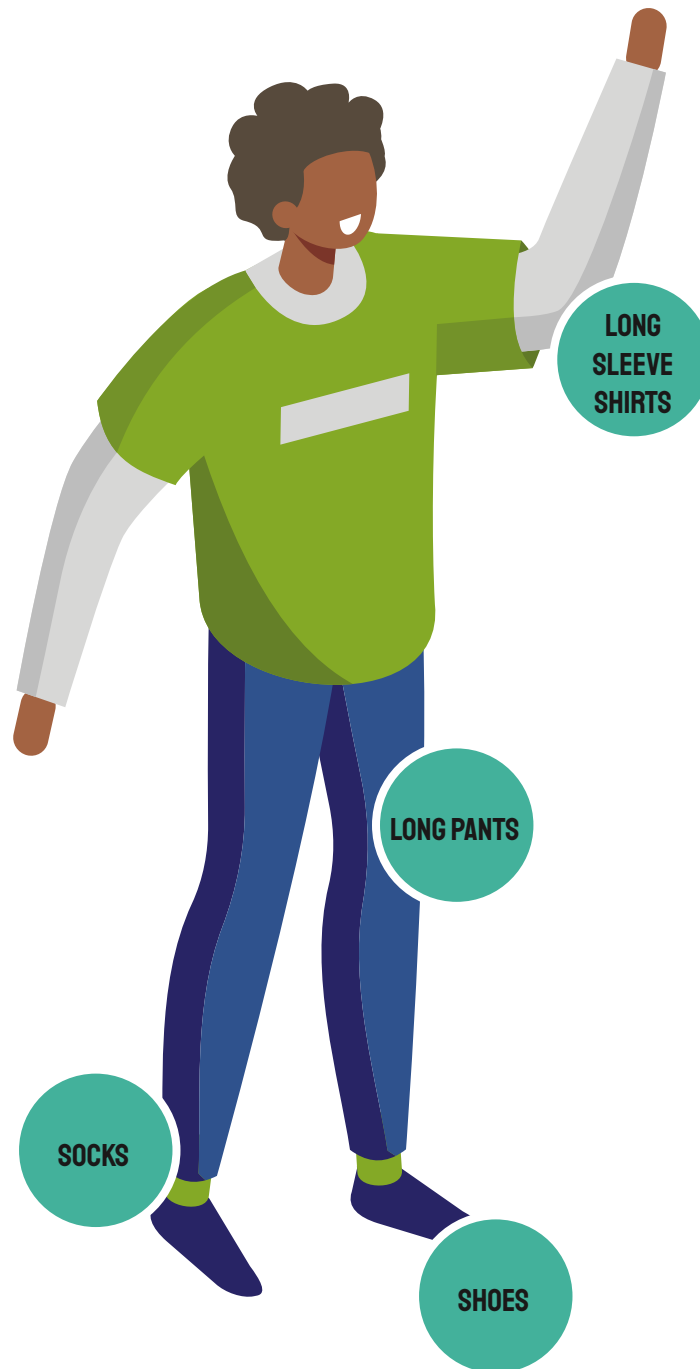
EPA-registered repellents will have a registration number on their label and will contain one of the following active ingredients: DEET, Picaridin, oil of lemon eucalyptus (OLE), para-menthane-diol (PMD), 2-Undecanone, or IR3535. Repellents come as spray cans, lotions or wipes.

SAFE FOR PREGNANT AND BREASTFEEDING WOMEN:

- DEET
- Picaridin
- OLE
- PMD
- 2-Undecanone
- IR3535

SAFE FOR CHILDREN OLDER THAN 2 MONTHS:

- DEET
- Picaridin
- 2-Undecanone
- IR3535



REPELLENT INSTRUCTIONS

1. Read the product label and follow directions.
2. Apply only to exposed skin or clothing. Do not use repellents under clothing. If you use sunscreen or lotion, apply the repellent last.
3. When applying repellent to your or your child's face, first put repellent on your hands and then apply, avoiding eyes and mouth.
4. Wash your hands with soap after applying repellent, especially before eating or drinking.



DID YOU KNOW..

...that preventing mosquito breeding sources and mosquito bites is more effective than having mosquito abatement districts spray your property? In fact, over-spraying of insecticides may lead to mosquito populations that become resistant to insecticides.



FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT WWW.EPA.GOV/INSECT-REPELLENTS

Not at My House

PREVENT MOSQUITOES FROM MAKING YOUR PROPERTY A BREEDING SOURCE



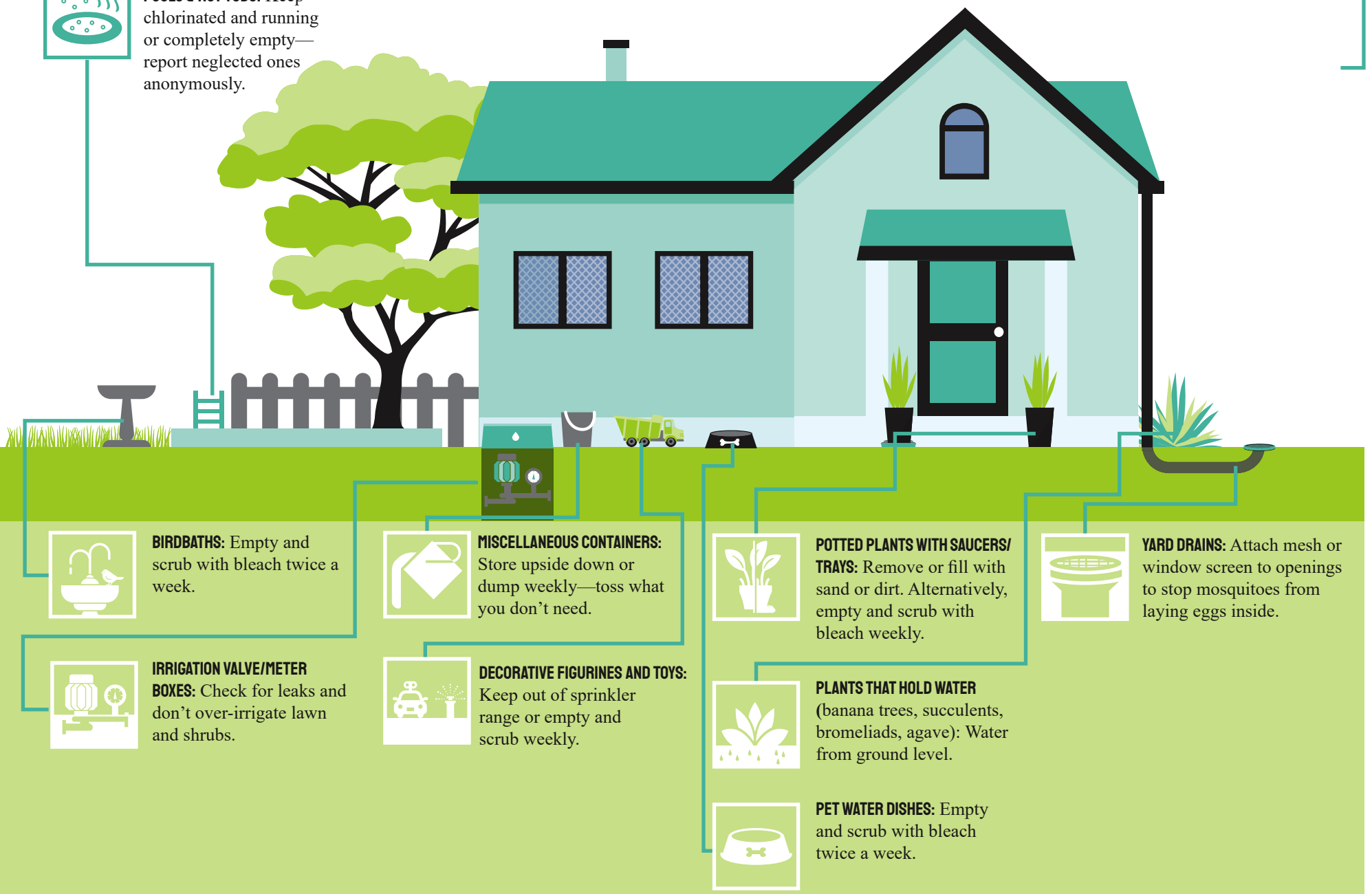
PONDS: Get free mosquitofish from your local mosquito abatement district.



FOUNTAINS: Keep chlorinated and running or completely empty—report neglected ones anonymously.



POOLS & HOT TUBS: Keep chlorinated and running or completely empty—report neglected ones anonymously.



BIRDBATHS: Empty and scrub with bleach twice a week.



MISCELLANEOUS CONTAINERS: Store upside down or dump weekly—toss what you don't need.



IRRIGATION VALVE/METER BOXES: Check for leaks and don't over-irrigate lawn and shrubs.



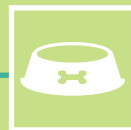
DECORATIVE FIGURINES AND TOYS: Keep out of sprinkler range or empty and scrub weekly.



POTTED PLANTS WITH SAUCERS/TRAYS: Remove or fill with sand or dirt. Alternatively, empty and scrub with bleach weekly.



PLANTS THAT HOLD WATER (banana trees, succulents, bromeliads, agave): Water from ground level.



PET WATER DISHES: Empty and scrub with bleach twice a week.



YARD DRAINS: Attach mesh or window screen to openings to stop mosquitoes from laying eggs inside.

You Have Control!



**REMOVE MOSQUITO-BREEDING
SOURCES AROUND YOUR HOME
WEEKLY**



**TALK TO NEIGHBORS ABOUT
WORKING TOGETHER TO KEEP YOUR
NEIGHBORHOOD MOSQUITO-FREE**



USE EPA-REGISTERED REPELLENT



**ANONYMOUSLY REPORT
NEGLECTED SWIMMING POOLS**



**REPORT DEAD BIRDS TO
1-877-WNV-BIRD (1-877-968-2472)**

FOR MORE ADVICE AND INFORMATION, CONTACT THE DELTA MOSQUITO AND VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT:



**DELTA MOSQUITO & VECTOR
CONTROL DISTRICT**

559-732-8606

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