



A MOSQUITO THAT CANNOT HATCH CANNOT BITE

Take away what they need most – standing water!

Mosquitoes need stagnant water to lay their eggs and do not usually fly far from their breeding grounds. If you have mosquito problems, chances are they are breeding close to your home. Look around your yard to reduce standing water and encourage your neighbors to do the same. The Center for Disease Control states this is the most effective way to control mosquitoes!

See the Standing Water Checklist on the flip side.

ARE MOSQUITOES BITING YOU DURING THE DAY OR NIGHT?

Answer this question to help you solve mosquito problems.

Asian Tiger mosquitoes feed during the day and generally fly only 100-500 feet from their breeding site. They are container breeders.

Culex Pipens are nighttime fliers and generally are found within 1/2 mile of their breeding site. Locate their breeding sites for a solution that lasts!

WHAT ABOUT WATER I WANT IN MY YARD OR WATER I CANNOT GET RID OF?

- Change the water in kiddie pools, dog bowls and bird baths every other day.
- Search on the internet for "Water Wiggler bird supplies" for your bird bath. It is battery operated and stops mosquitoes from laying eggs by wiggling the water. It also attracts birds.



- Aerate ornamental pools or stock them with mosquito-eating fish.
- **Buy a larvicide called Mosquito Dunks** (see photo to the left) at garden centers or home improvement stores (approx. \$9.00). Larvicide kills mosquito and fly larvae for 30 days and does not harm other living things.

For more tips see:
www.nospraynashville.org

STANDING WATER CHECKLIST FOR YOUR YARD

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Store inside or turn upside down



Change water in bird bath



Change water in pet dishes



Store inside or turn upside down



Remove saucer or turn upside down or use larvicide in saucer.



Tires: store inside or dispose of properly



We found water in and emptied these:

We did not find any of these:

Bird baths		
Boats		
Buckets & garbage cans		
Cans, bottles, jars		
Flower pots and saucers		
Gutters & gutter extenders		
Ornamental ponds		
Rain barrels		
Tarps		
Tires		
Toys		
Tree holes		
Wading pools		
Water dishes for pet		
Wheel barrows		
Other		

If your efforts do not give you results, contact the Health Department's Pest Management Services and ask them to inspect the area for standing water.
(615) 340-5668

Spraying pesticides is a Band-Aid approach that can make problems worse by creating resistant mosquitoes! It provides a one-time kill only and has no affect on breeding sites. Mosquitoes will return to pre-spray levels in 3-10 days. It also risks the health of sensitive populations especially children.

See www.nospraynashville.org or call (615) 327-8515 to learn more.