

What can I do to reduce the number of mosquitoes around my home? Mosquitoes need water to breed. They can breed in any puddle or standing water that remains more than four days. By removing areas of standing water around your house, you will eliminate their breeding grounds and reduce the number of mosquitoes.

- Dispose of, or regularly empty, any metal cans, plastic containers, ceramic pots, and other water holding containers on your property.
- Pay special attention to old tires. Tires are common breeding site for mosquitoes.
- Drill holes in the bottom of recycling containers that are left outdoors.
- Clean clogged gutters of leaves and debris that prevent drainage of rainwater.
- Turn over plastic wading pool, outdoor toys, and wheelbarrows when not in use.
- Do not allow water to stagnate in birdbaths. Change it twice weekly to prevent mosquito breeding.
- Aerate ornamental ponds or stock them with mosquito eating fish.
- Keep swimming pools clean and properly chlorinated. Remove standing water from pool covers.
- Use landscaping to eliminate standing water that collects on your property.



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- Empty water around your home where mosquitos can breed.*
- Wear clothing covering skin between dusk and dawn.*
- Report dead birds and mosquito breeding areas.*



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