

# *Fight Mosquitoes One Yard at a Time*

**You can protect yourself and your family from mosquitoes that may transmit West Nile virus and other viruses.**

## **In your yard you should:**

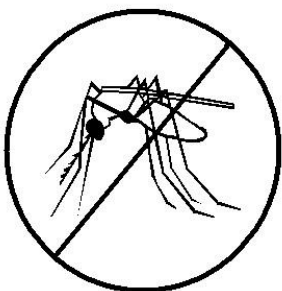
- Maintain pools by chlorinating and filtering.
- Keep pool cover drained.
- Maintain ornamental ponds. (Stock with fish. Bubblers and fountains prevent mosquitoes from laying eggs.)
- Clean clogged house gutters of debris.



- Change water in birdbath and planter bases every 3 days.
- Turn over containers, buckets, and wading pools.
- Remove used tires from property.
- Check window and door screens and repair if needed.

## **When outdoors at dawn and dusk you should:**

- Wear long sleeve shirt and long pants.
- Consider insect repellent. (Use according to label directions.)
- Limit outdoor activities. (Mosquito activity is greatest during the hours of dawn and dusk.)



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