PREVENTING MOSQUITO BREEDING GROUNDS AROUND THE HOUSE

Are you unknowingly attracting mosquitoes to your property? Mosquitoes can breed in as little as a ½ inch of standing water, so even items containing water the size of a bottle cap may be mosquito magnets. The diagram below shows the areas around the home that may be prone to mosquitoes.

1. **GUTTERS** – Remove leaves and other debris from gutters
2. **FLOWERPOTS** – Pour out stagnant water from flowerpots and planters
3. **GRILL COVER** – Make sure water isn’t gathering on top of the grill cover
4. **BABY POOL** – Don’t let water sit in baby pools for long periods of time
5. **BIRDBATH** – Frequently change out the water in birdbaths
6. **LEAKY PIPES** – Repair any leaky pipes or faucets
7. **TIRES** – Drill holes in the bottom of tire swings and wheel barrels to allow water to drain
8. **TRASH CANS** – Ensure trash cans are tightly sealed and lids aren’t flipped upside down
9. **BUCKETS** – Remove water collecting in buckets and toys
10. **PONDS** – Keep swimming pools and ponds adequately treated

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