

Mosquito Protection and Prevention

Mosquitoes can transmit debilitating diseases such as West Nile Virus, Zika, Dengue and Chikungunya. Follow these tips and keep your home mosquito-free.



APPLY EPA-REGISTERED INSECT REPELLENT

- Apply before going outdoors and as recommended on the label.
- Look for one of the four active ingredients: DEET, Picaridin, IR3535, or Oil of Lemon Eucalyptus.



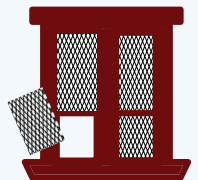
WEAR LOOSE-FITTING CLOTHING

- Mosquitoes are attracted to dark colors thus opt out for lighter colored clothing.
- Apply insect repellent to exposed skin and/or over clothing.



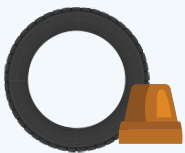
COVER AND MAINTAIN WINDOWS AND DOORS WITH SCREENS

- Use fine mesh screens.
- If screen has minor holes or tears, purchase a screen patch at a local hardware store.



TIP AND TOSS

- Tip and drain water in common sources like potted plants saucers, buckets, recycling bins and tarps once a week.
- Drill a hole at the bottom of flower pots and trash cans so water may drain.
- Toss any unneeded containers like plastic cups, bottle caps and trash.



- Dispose of old tires at your local recycling facility.
- Scrub the interior of open containers to remove mosquito eggs.

PROPERLY SCREEN AND MAINTAIN BARRELS, GUTTERS AND DRAINS

- Securely screen other holes such as overflow valves or connection points.
- Clear roof gutters and drains periodically to prevent standing water.

