



MOSQUITOES are in your community. WE NEED YOUR HELP!



Culex mosquitoes are native to Maricopa County and other regions of Arizona. They thrive in natural and man-made sources with highly organic standing water like ponds or green pools, and can lay up to 200 eggs at a time. While these mosquitoes primarily feed on birds, they occasionally feed on people, which is one way the West Nile Virus (WNV) is transmitted. *Culex* mosquitoes are active at night, but generally bite from evening to early morning, so it is important to protect against mosquito bites whenever you are outside.

West Nile Virus can be spread in other ways, too. In rare cases, WNV also can be transmitted during blood transfusions, organ transplants, or from a mother to her baby during pregnancy, delivery, or breastfeeding. There are no specific treatment options, medicines, or vaccines available for WNV infection.

Fight the Bite, Day and Night!

Control mosquitoes around your home to protect yourself and your family

- Eliminate standing water in and around your home and yard
- Empty, turn over, cover or discard all items that hold water
- Check inside and outside your home



Culex Mosquitoes Control Checklist

Use this checklist to find and remove common water holding sites around your home, yard, patio and garden to stay mosquito free. Removing the eggs is critical to controlling mosquitos.

- Potted plant saucers & decorative pots
- Trash cans and trash can lids
- Recyclables & recycle collection bins
- Fountains, birdbaths, ponds
- Water bowls for pets/water troughs
- Wheelbarrows
- Watering cans
- Tires, miscellaneous items or junk
- Lilly pots and/or water gardens
- Swimming pool and/or spa
- Lawn ornaments and/or lawn furniture
- Leaky hoses, sprinklers, and/or faucets
- Items stored outside around your home or yard
- Covers or tarps on boats or vehicles
- Tree holes & low areas with persistent puddling
- Street gutters & pot holes



Tightly cover water storage containers so mosquitoes can't get inside to lay eggs. Rain barrels must be tightly sealed at all entrances with 1/16th inch wire mesh and checked regularly.



Thank you for your support and cooperation!

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Learn more about what you can do to help prevent mosquito breeding, avoid bites and stay healthy at:
FightTheBiteMaricopa.org

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