

# Mosquito Prevention Around the Home

Prevent mosquitoes from breeding around your home by removing sources of standing water:

- Get rid of old tires, tin cans, buckets, drums, bottles or any water-holding containers.
- Fill in or drain any low places (puddles, ruts, etc.) in the yard.
- Keep drains, ditches and culverts free of weeds and trash so water can drain properly.
- Keep roof gutters free of leaves and other debris.
- Repair leaky pipes and outside faucets.
- Empty plastic wading pools at least once a week and store indoors when not in use.
- Unused swimming pools should be drained and kept dry during the mosquito season.
- Fill in tree rot holes and hollow stumps that hold water.
- Change the water in bird baths and planting pots or drip trays at least once each week.
- Store boats either covered or upside down or remove rainwater weekly.
- Keep grass cut short and shrubbery well-trimmed around the house so adult mosquitoes will not hide there.

