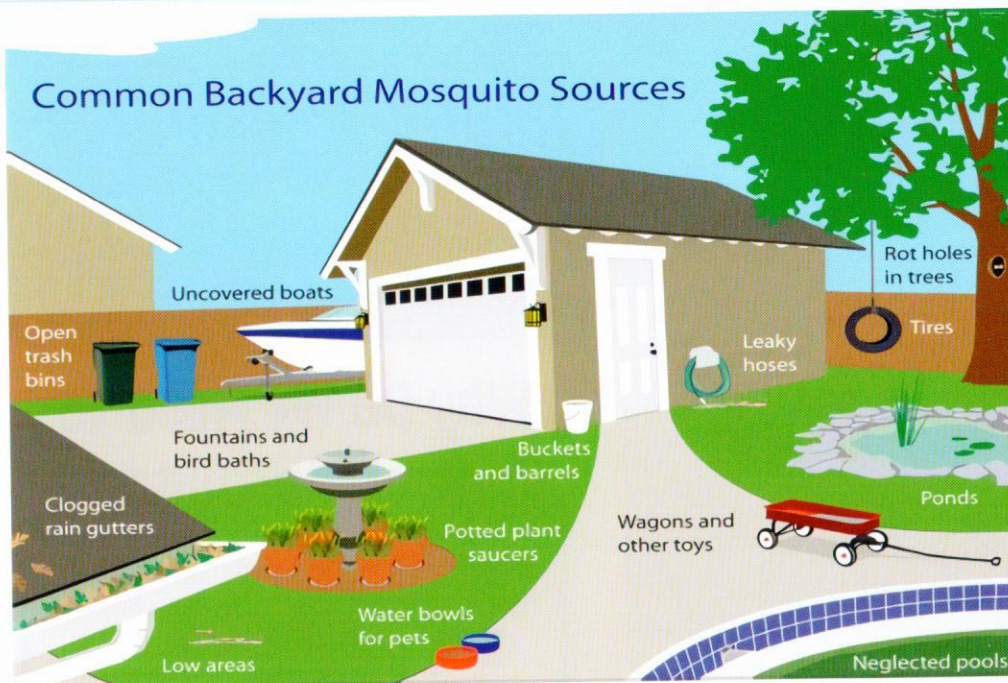


Common Backyard Mosquito Sources



Practice the 5 D's to reduce the risk of getting ill from viruses carried by mosquitoes:

- Don't go outside between **DUSK & DAWN**
- To protect against bites, **DRESS** so your skin is covered.
- Apply mosquito Repellent containing **DEET** to bare skin and clothing
- Empty containers and **DRAIN** stagnant water so mosquito wrigglers can't grow up to become biters.

Hernando County carefully monitors viruses through sentinel chickens caged in specific target locations. Routine blood tests on these chickens can reveal the presence of WNV, EEE and SLE. An early Alert that a virus is present locally.

HERNANDO COUNTY MOSQUITO CONTROL

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MOSQUITO CONTROL

HOW WE CONTROL MOSQUITOES

- SURVEILLANCE
- BIOLOGICAL CONTROL
- SOURCE REDUCTION
- LARVICIDING/ADULTICIDING
- PUBLIC OUTREACH & EDUCATION



Effective Mosquito Control is achieved by using what's called IPM = Integrated Pest Management. IPM combines several different methods of action to get the most successful outcome of mosquito eradication and control

Fighting Mosquitoes in Hernando County

Why Do We Need To Control Mosquitoes?

Apart from being a tremendous nuisance to humans and animals, mosquitoes have the ability to carry and transmit harmful diseases.

Some of these diseases are active in the United States:

- West Nile Virus = WNV
- Eastern Equine Encephalitis = EEE
- St. Louis Encephalitis = SLE

While others can be brought here by overseas travelers:

- Zika
- Dengue
- Chikungunya
- Malaria
- Yellow Fever

