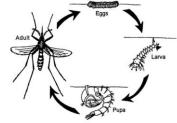


Neglected or "green" swimming pools pose a serious health threat to the residents of Fresno County.

- Pools that are not maintained grow algae and bacteria, leading to "green" swimming pools.
- Mosquitoes lay their eggs in "green" pools. These eggs hatch into larvae that become adult mosquitoes.
- Mosquitoes from "green" pools can transmit mosquito-borne diseases like West Nile Virus (WNV) and St. Louis encephalitis (SLE).
- These WNV/SLE-infected mosquitoes can bite you and infect you!



About our services

- Help the owner decide how to manage the pool so no more mosquitoes are produced.
- Treat the pool with products that kills mosquito larvae.
- Place mosquitofish in the pool to eat the mosquito larvae.
- These actions will stop mosquito production, but the pool remains green until properly maintained.
- There is no cost to the owner for the mosquito control services.



Mosquitoes are more than a nuisance; they can also carry diseases that can infect you and your family.

REPORT DEAD BIRDS

Call the West Nile Virus Dead Bird Hotline: 1-877-968-2473

Report online: <u>www.westnile.ca.gov</u>

You can also call our office to report a dead bird.

<u>A dead or sick bird may be the first sign</u> that WNV has come to your neighborhood

Fresno Mosquito and Vector Control District:



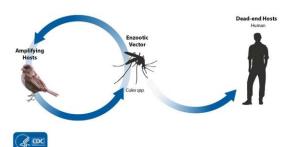
(559) 268-6565 www.fresnomosquito.org

WHAT ARE MOSQUITO-BORNE DISEASES?

West Nile Virus and St. Louis encephalitis are a couple of diseases that can be carried by mosquitoes.

Culex mosquitoes become infected when they feed on infected birds. WNV and SLE are spread to people by the bite of an infected mosquito.

- These diseases can make you and your family sick.
- Most people who get these diseases will not feel sick. People who do get sick may feel like they have the flu.
- Those infected may have some or all these symptoms: fever, headache, body ache, joint pain, rash, red eyes.



Call your doctor if you have questions or call Fresno County Dept. of Public Health at (559) 600-3434

Protect your family!

Avoid mosquito bites.

Culex mosquitoes bite at night, mainly at dusk and dawn.



Only female mosquitoes bite.

Wear long sleeved shirts and pants when outside the house.

Use insect repellent on exposed skin (face, neck, arms and legs) when going outside.

Insect repellent that contains DEET, Picaridin, Oil of Lemon Eucalyptus or IR 3535 will do the best job of keeping the mosquitoes away.

EPA-registered active ingredients Higher percentages of active ingredient provide longer protection		<u> </u>
DEET	Find the insect repellent that's right for you by using EPA's search tool.	
Picaridin (known as KBR and icaridin outside the US)		
IR3535		
Oil of lemon eucalyptus (OLE)		
Para-menthane-diol (PMD)		
2-undecanone		J
The EPA's search tool is available at: www.epa.gov/insect-repellents/find-insect-repellent-	right-you	

Follow the directions carefully.

Protect your home and your community!

Mosquitoes live and lay their eggs around standing water.

Get rid of standing water around your home.

Dump and drain containers that hold water at least once a week. Discard water-holding containers that are not used or needed.

Bird Baths Flower pots/Saucers Buckets

Pet water bowls



BLOCK MOSQUITOES OUT

Make sure window and door screens are tight and mosquito-proof and fix any holes. Security doors are not mosquito-proof.

