

## WHAT YOU CAN DO: DRAIN AND COVER

**DRAIN** standing water around your home  
and **EMPTY** or **THROW AWAY**:

- Old Tires
- Drums
- Bottles and Cans
- Pots and Pans
- Broken Appliances
- Blocked Gutters
- Buckets
- Tarps
- Wheelbarrows
- Birdbaths
- Air Conditioner Drain Areas
- Pet Water Bowls
- Uncovered Trash Cans
- Swimming Pools
- Wading Pools
- Flowerpots and Saucers
- Rain Barrels
- Toys (particularly plastic)

**Cover** your skin with clothing and use mosquito repellent.

- **Clothing:** If you must be outside when mosquitoes are active, cover up. Wear shoes, socks, long pants, and long sleeves.
- **Repellent:** Apply mosquito repellent to bare skin and clothing. Always use repellents according to the label. Repellents with DEET, picaridin, oil of lemon, eucalyptus, and IR3535 are effective. Use mosquito netting to protect children younger than 2 months.

**Cover** doors and windows with screens to keep mosquitoes out.

- Keep mosquitoes out of your house. Repair broken screens on windows, doors, porches, and patios.

For more information on mosquito-borne illness, please visit:

<http://broward.floridahealth.gov>

[www2.epa.gov/mosquitocontrol](http://www2.epa.gov/mosquitocontrol)



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# Mosquitoes

**CAN CARRY DANGEROUS DISEASES**

Remember that mosquitoes can breed in even a bottle cap of water. Protect yourself and your family. Drain and Cover to stop mosquitoes from multiplying.

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