

## Home Mosquito Prevention

## Please follow these simple steps to control potential mosquito breeding around your home. This process should be carried out regularly. Look around your home and check the list when completed.

Empty out or discard containers and rubbish that may hold water AND
Put away outside toys so they don't collect water
AND Cover or overturn trailers, wheelbarrows
Remove stagnant water sources such as pot plant bases and self-watering pots by emptying regularly at least once a week; OR Put sand in pot plant saucers to soak up water
Clean leaves out of roof gutters to prevent water from pooling
Ensure fly screens on doors and windows are kept in good condition AND
Repair or replace if broken or damaged
Empty, clean and refill bird baths, stock troughs and pet water bowls weekly
Keep swimming pools properly maintained, chlorinated and free of debris or empty if it is no longer needed
Make sure swimming pool covers do not collect water
Empty wading pools at the end of each day
Stock backyard ponds with fish to eat mosquito larvae or plant local native plants to attract frogs and dragonflies - they eat mosquitoes
Cover rainwater and septic tank openings, wells or other large water containers with mosquito-proof mesh
Keep edges of ponds clear of vegetation
Remove/empty plants that hold water
AND
Keep lawns mowed short
Repair leaking taps around the home

Contact a City of Kwinana Environmental Health Officer if you have any questions on 94390200 or <u>health@kwinana.wa.gov.au</u>

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