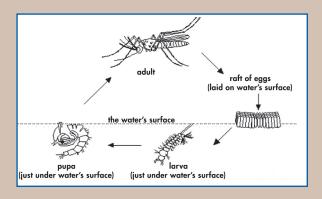
MOSQUITO LIFE CYCLE

Mosquitoes need water to exist!

The illustration below depicts the mosquito life cycle from egg, larva, pupa to adult. You can prevent mosquitoes from developing by removing or draining any container that supports this life cycle.



SACRAMENTO-YOLO
MOSQUITO
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BITE

OFFICE LOCATIONS AND HOURS OF OPERATION

Sacramento County

8631 Bond Road Elk Grove, CA 95624 Phone: 1-800-429-1022 Fax: 916-685-5464 Web site: FIGHTtheBITE.net Hours: 7:00 am to 3:30 pm

Yolo County

1234 Fortna Avenue Woodland, CA 95695 Phone: 1-800-429-1022 Fax: 530-668-3403 Web site: FIGHTtheBITE.net Hours: 7:00 am to 3:30 pm

REDUCING MOSQUITOES AROUND YOUR HOME





SERVICES

The District provides year-round mosquito and vector control services for the residents of Sacramento and Yolo Counties. For inquiries or to request service please call the District at 1-800-429-1022, or visit us online at FIGHTtheBITE.net.

MOSQUITO BITES

Female mosquitoes take blood from birds and mammals to develop eggs. A mosquito bite can cause you to develop:

- Itching: An allergic reaction to the saliva that mosquitoes inject to prevent blood clotting
- Swelling: Body sends extra blood to the bite area
- Secondary infections: Scratching a bite allows bacteria to invade the wound
- Mosquito-borne diseases: St. Louis Encephalitis virus, West Nile virus, Western Equine Encephalomyelitis virus and malaria

FIRST AID FOR MOSQUITO BITES

- · Wash bite with soap and water
- Apply anti-itch medication
- Apply a cold cloth for swelling
- Watch for secondary infections

PROTECT YOURSELF AND YOUR FAMILY FROM MOSQUITOES

FIGHT the **BITE** by practicing the District's **7Ds**:

- **DRAIN** any standing water that may produce mosquitoes.
- DAWN and DUSK are times to avoid being outdoors.
 These are the times when mosquitoes are most active.
- DRESS appropriately by wearing long sleeves and pants when outside.
- DEFEND yourself against mosquitoes by using an
 effective insect repellent such as DEET, Picaridin or Oil of
 Lemon Eucalyptus. Make sure you follow label directions!
- **DOOR** and window screens should be in good working condition. This will prevent mosquitoes from entering your home.
- For more information call the Sacramento-Yolo Mosquito and Vector Control **DISTRICT** at 1.800.429.1022 or visit us online at FIGHTtheBITE.net

MOSQUITO MAINTENANCE CHECKLIST



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MOSQUITO SOURCES	WHAT YOU CAN DO TO REDUCE MOSQUITOES
Fish ponds	☐ Stock pond with mosquitofish☐ Remove excess emergent vegetation
Swimming pools and spas	☐ Keep water off cover☐ Chlorinate☐ Use filter regularly
Standing water	☐ Eliminate by draining
Tree holes	☐ Fill hole with sand or mortar☐ Contact an arborist
Containers	□ Empty water □ Dispose or turn over □ Cover so mosquitoes cannot enter
Bird baths	☐ Change water at least once a week
Wading pools	Drain water when not in useIf water must remain in pool, cover so mosquitoes cannot enter
Watering troughs	☐ Stock with mosquitofish OR☐ Change water frequently
Street gutter or catch basins	☐ Do not dispose of litter and garden debris in the gutter or basins and avoid over irrigation. If gutters are holding water, sweep to the nearest basin
Pet water bowls	☐ Change water twice a week
Roof gutters	☐ Clean once a year to remove debris
Irrigated lawns or fields	☐ Avoid over irrigation