



NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE

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Health Department Will Spray Pesticide to Reduce Adult Mosquito Populations

Spraying scheduled for parts of Brooklyn and Queens to help prevent West Nile Virus

August 23, 2011 - To reduce mosquito activity and the risk of West Nile virus, the Health Department will spray pesticide from trucks in parts of Brooklyn and Queens on **Thursday, August 25, 2011 between the hours of 8 p.m. and 6 a.m. the following morning**, weather permitting. In case of bad weather, application will be delayed until Monday, August 29, during the same hours. The areas to be treated appear below.

Locations of Application

Borough	Includes parts or all of these Neighborhoods	Boundaries	Includes parts or all of these Zip Codes
Queens	Bellerose, Douglas Manor, Oakland Gardens, Douglaston, Little Neck, Glen Oaks, Floral Park, Hollis Hills	Bordered by Little Neck Parkway, Northern Boulevard, Marathon Parkway, Grand Central Parkway and Little Neck Parkway to the East; Little Neck Bay, 223 rd Street, and 46 th Avenue to the North; Springfield Boulevard and Braddock Avenue to the West; and Jamaica Avenue to the South	11362, 11363, 11364, 11426, 11427
Brooklyn	Coney Island, Sea Gate, Gravesend, Bath Beach, Brighton Beach	Bordered by West 8 th Street and Shell Road to the East; 86 th Street and Bay Parkway to the North; Gravesend Bay to the West; and the Atlantic Ocean to the South	11214, 11223, 11224

For these sprayings, the Health Department will use a very low concentration of Anvil[®], 10 + 10 a synthetic pesticide. When properly used, this product poses no significant risks to human health, but the Health Department recommends that people **take the following precautions to minimize direct exposure**:

- Whenever possible, stay indoors during spraying. People with asthma or other respiratory conditions are encouraged to stay inside during spraying since direct exposure could worsen these conditions.
- Air conditioners may remain on, however, if you wish to reduce the possibility of indoor exposure to pesticides, set the air conditioner vent to the closed position, or choose the re-circulate function.
- Remove children’s toys, outdoor equipment, and clothes from outdoor areas during spraying. If outdoor equipment and toys are exposed to pesticides, wash them with soap and water before using again.
- Wash skin and clothing exposed to pesticides with soap and water. Always wash your produce thoroughly with water before cooking or eating.

The use of pesticides in New York City is conducted in accordance with labeling approved by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC). For further information, visit <http://www.nyc.gov/html/doh/html/wnv/wnvfaq21.shtml>

Reducing Exposure to Mosquitoes

- Use an approved insect repellent containing DEET, picaridin, oil of lemon eucalyptus (not for children under three), or products that contain the active ingredient IR3535. Repellents with greater than 10% DEET should not be used on children. Other tips on insect repellents can be found on the Health Department website: <http://www.nyc.gov/html/doh/html/wnv/wnvfaq4.shtml>
- Make sure windows have screens, and repair or replace screens that have tears or holes.
- Eliminate any standing water from your property, and dispose of containers that can collect water. Standing water is a violation of the New York City Health Code.
- Make sure roof gutters are clean and draining properly.
- Clean and chlorinate swimming pools, outdoor saunas and hot tubs. Keep them empty or covered if not in use; drain water that collects in pool covers.
- Report standing water by calling **311** or visiting nyc.gov/health/wnv.

Planned Spray Areas
in Brooklyn, August 25, 2011
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This map, and the application area it depicts, is an approximation and should not be relied on as a specific description of the area to be treated.



**Planned Spray Areas
in Queens, August 25, 2011
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