



**NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
AND MENTAL HYGIENE**
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HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO SPRAY PESTICIDE TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF MOSQUITOES AND THE RISK OF WEST NILE VIRUS IN SELECTED PARTS OF BROOKLYN AND QUEENS

September 12, 2014 – 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 **Tuesday, September 16, 2014 between the hours of 8:00 P.M. and 6:00 A.M. the following morning**, weather permitting. In case of bad weather, application will be delayed until Wednesday, September 17, 2014 during the same hours.

Locations of Application

Borough	Neighborhoods	Boundaries	Zip Codes
Brooklyn	Parts of Borough Park, Crown Heights, Ditmas Park, Farragut, Greenwood Heights, Kensington, Park Slope, Prospect Heights, Prospect Lefferts Garden, Prospect Park South, Rugby, Sunset Park, Windsor Terrace and Wingate	Bordered by Rutland Rd, Washington Ave, Classon Ave, Atlantic Ave, Carlton Ave, Flatbush Ave, Prospect Park West and 19 th Street to the North; 4 th Ave to the West; 44 th Street, 16 th Ave, Dahill Rd, Cortelyou Rd, Flatbush Ave and Ave D to the South and Utica Ave to the East	Parts of 11203, 11215, 11217, 11218, 11219, 11225, 11226, 11232 and 11238
Brooklyn/Queens	Parts of City Line, Cypress Hills, Highland Park, Howard Beach, Lindenwood, Ozone Park, Spring Creek and Woodhaven	Bordered by Jamaica Ave and to the North; Shepherd Ave, Fulton Street Line and Fountain Ave to the West; Jamaica Bay to the South; and Rockaway Rail-Line, Rockaway Blvd, and Woodhaven Blvd, to the East	Parts of 11208, 11414, 11416, 11417 and 11421

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. The Health Department recommends that people **take the following precautions to minimize direct exposure**:

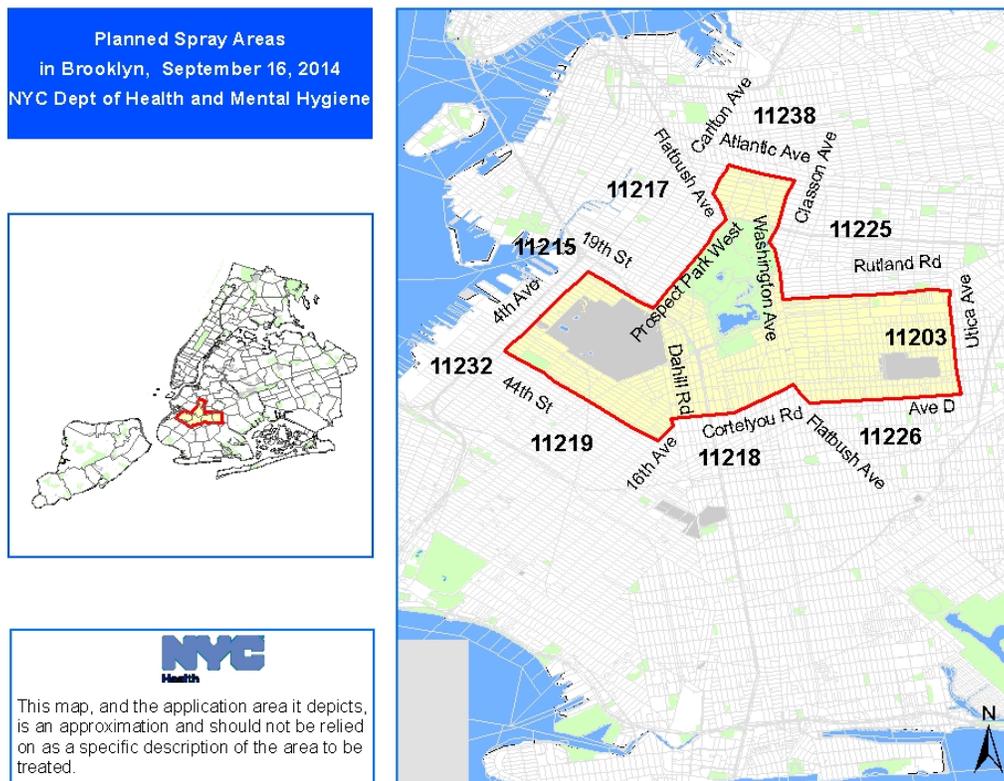
- Whenever possible, stay indoors during spraying. People with asthma or other respiratory conditions are encouraged to stay inside during spraying since direct exposure could worsen these conditions.
- Air conditioners may remain on, however, if you wish to reduce the possibility of indoor exposure 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.

Reducing Exposure to Mosquitoes

- Consider reducing the amount of time spent outdoors during the hours between dusk and dawn in areas with heavy mosquito populations.
- Use an approved insect repellent containing DEET, picaridin, or oil of lemon eucalyptus (not for children under three).
- 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 and covered if not in use; drain water that collects in pool covers.
- Report standing water by calling 311 or visiting <http://www.nyc.gov/health/wmv>.

Map Depicting Specific Areas for Pesticide Application

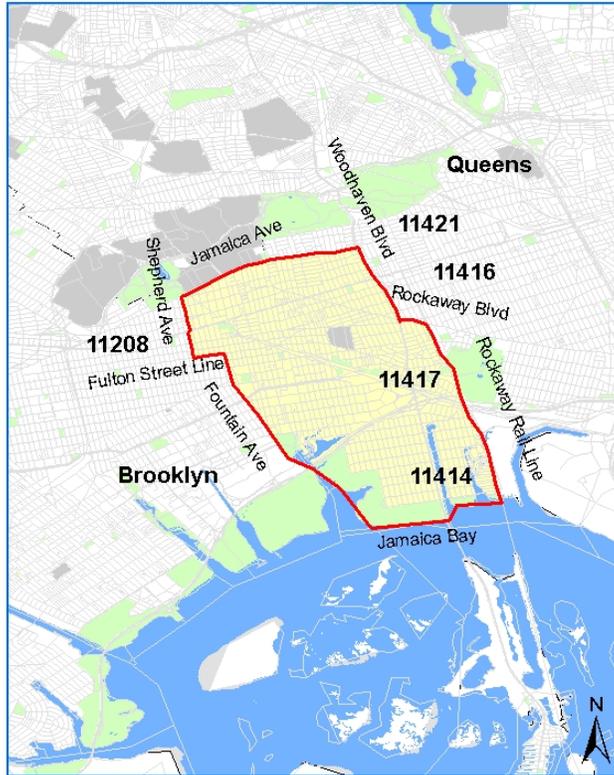


Planned Spray Areas
in Brooklyn-Queens,
September 16, 2014
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This map, and the application area it depicts, is an approximation and should not be relied on as a specific description of the area to be treated.



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