



How long can water stand in puddles or containers before it poses a problem?

If water stands for less than one week, then it won't become a breeding location for mosquitoes. Most mosquito species require standing water for a minimum of 10 -14 days to complete their development.

How do I report standing water concerns to the City of Plano?

If water is standing for more than a week, report the location by dialing (972) 941-7143. Provide the location and if known, the source of the stagnant water. A health specialist will investigate the location within 24 hours and take appropriate action to drain or treat the water.

traps
use netting
use repellent
reduce standing water



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control risk infection mosquito prevention bite protection



FIGHT THE BITE

Observe the 4 D's and protect yourself from West Nile Virus.

1. Stay indoors from DUSK to DAWN.

Mosquitoes are most active during this time.

2. DRESS for prevention.

Wear loose, light-colored clothing with long sleeves and long pants when outdoors.

3. DEFEND yourself.

Use an insect repellent containing DEET, Picaridin or Oil of Lemon Eucalyptus and follow label instructions.

4. DRAIN standing water in your yard and neighborhood.

Typically, mosquitoes breed in locations such as flower pots, water dishes, bird baths, gutters and wading pools.

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