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Dear Community Representative:

Your community's assigned spray night is <u>Wednesday</u>.

Spraying cannot commence until your community has been notified. It is your responsibility to notify your community.

Included, please find the following documents:

- > A sheet with the information that is to be shared with the community
- The Community Notification Verification form
- The exemption policy and form
- Our standard operating procedures

Monitoring the adult mosquito population before treatment is required, and treatment will only be carried out if an MDA employee has determined the need for it. Minimum thresholds which must be met for treatment to occur are as follows (any one of these is sufficient):

- Landing rate count of 3 mosquitoes attempting to bite in 2 minutes, OR
- 12 female mosquitoes collected overnight in an un-baited light trap, OR
- 24 female mosquitoes collected overnight in a baited light trap

IMPORTANT: Your community will not be sprayed until residents have been notified and we have received the Community Notification Verification Form. Please return forms by May 30 to ensure that we are able to process them before the start of spraying.

### STANDARD MOSQUITO CONTROL OPERATING PROCEDURES - 2018

### **OPERATING PROCEDURES FOR SPRAYING OF ADULTICIDES** (Treatment for adult mosquitoes):

- **Regular Surveillance and Control of Adult Mosquitoes: May 30 October 2** Sunday-Thursday (A night of the week will be assigned to your community) Anytime between 7:00p.m. - 2:30 a.m.
- Spraying for adult mosquitoes will be **done only if a Maryland Department of Agriculture Employee determines it is necessary**.
  - Spraying will not be conducted during rain, in wind speeds exceeding 12 MPH, or temperatures above 89°F.

# Thresholds for Ground Based ULV Treatments:

- Landing Counts: 3 mosquitoes in a 2 minute count
- Light Trap Collections: 12 female mosquitoes in an unbaited light trap

24 female mosquitoes in a baited light trap

- Conditions that threaten public health, such as mosquito borne disease
- Adulticide

#### Formulation and application rate

<u>Permanone 30-30</u>: Permethrin mixed with Piperonyl Butoxide and Mineral Oil Liquid 0.0031 lbs/acre (Ultra Low Volume application)

# **OPERATING PROCEDURES FOR USE OF LARVICIDES** (Treatment for mosquito larvae):

• County-wide Surveillance and Control of Larval Mosquitoes: April - October Monday – Friday, 8:30 AM -4:00 PM

## • LARVICIDES TO BE USED (This list is subject to additions or other revisions):

Larvicide	Formulations
Bacterial Larvicides:	
VectoBac and Aquabac: Bacillus thuringiensis var. israelensis	Liquid Cronular
bacillus inuringiensis var. israelensis	Liquid, Granular
Spheratax:	
Bacillus sphaericus	Granular
Insect growth regulator:	
Altosid (Methoprene)	Liquid, Briquet, or Pellets

The **Mosquito Control Program does not spray for Midges** that swarm on homes, boats, trees and shrubs along many Anne Arundel County creeks and rivers. These non-biting insects develop in mud bottoms of slow moving water ways of low dissolved oxygen and will decline in numbers within a few weeks after they first appear.

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For more information, insecticide MSDS and labels, please visit our web site at: <u>http://mda.maryland.gov/plants-Pests/Pages/mc\_product\_labels\_material\_safety\_data\_sheets.aspx</u>