



**NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
AND MENTAL HYGIENE**  
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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**  
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## **HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO CONDUCT MOSQUITO ADULTICIDING IN PARTS OF MANHATTAN TO REDUCE RISK OF WEST NILE VIRUS**

*Trucks will spray pesticide in parts of Manhattan in the evening of Thursday, September 14, 2023*

**September 8, 2023** – To reduce mosquito activity and the risk of West Nile virus, the Health Department will conduct an adulticide treatment in Manhattan.

Trucks will spray pesticides in sections of Manhattan beginning on **Thursday, September 14, 2023 between the hours of 8:30 PM and 6:00 AM the following morning**. In case of bad weather, application will be delayed until **Monday, September 18, 2023**.

The Health Department will use very low concentrations of Anvil® 10+10, Duet® or MERUS® 3. The risks of pesticides applied by the Health Department for mosquito control are low to people and pets. Some people who are sensitive to spray ingredients may experience short-term eye or throat irritation, or a rash. People with respiratory conditions may also be affected.

To stay safe during spraying:

- Stay indoors, whenever possible.
- Air conditioners can remain on. While unnecessary, you may wish to close air conditioner vents, or choose the recirculate function.

After spraying:

- Wash skin and clothing exposed to pesticides with soap and water.
- Always wash fruits and vegetables with water.

The most effective way to control mosquitoes is to eliminate any standing water. New Yorkers are also encouraged to mosquito-proof their homes and take precautions when spending time outdoors.

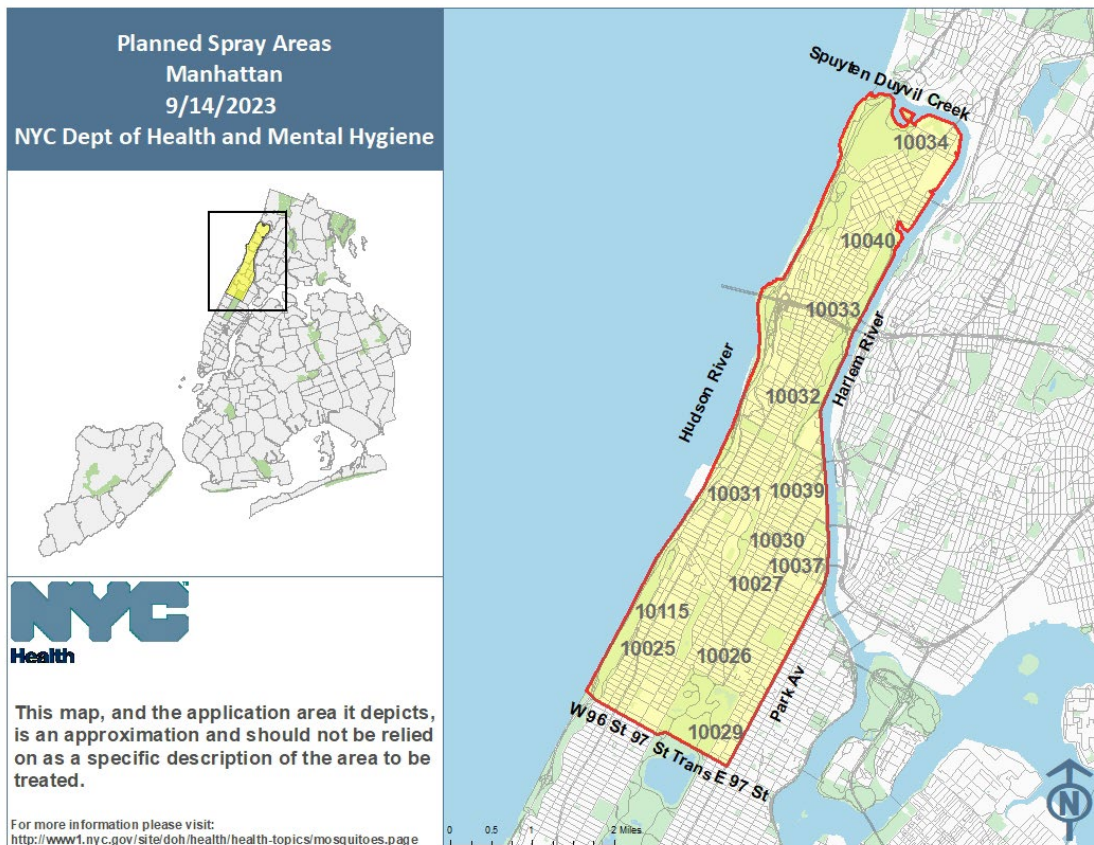
### **Reducing exposure to mosquitoes**

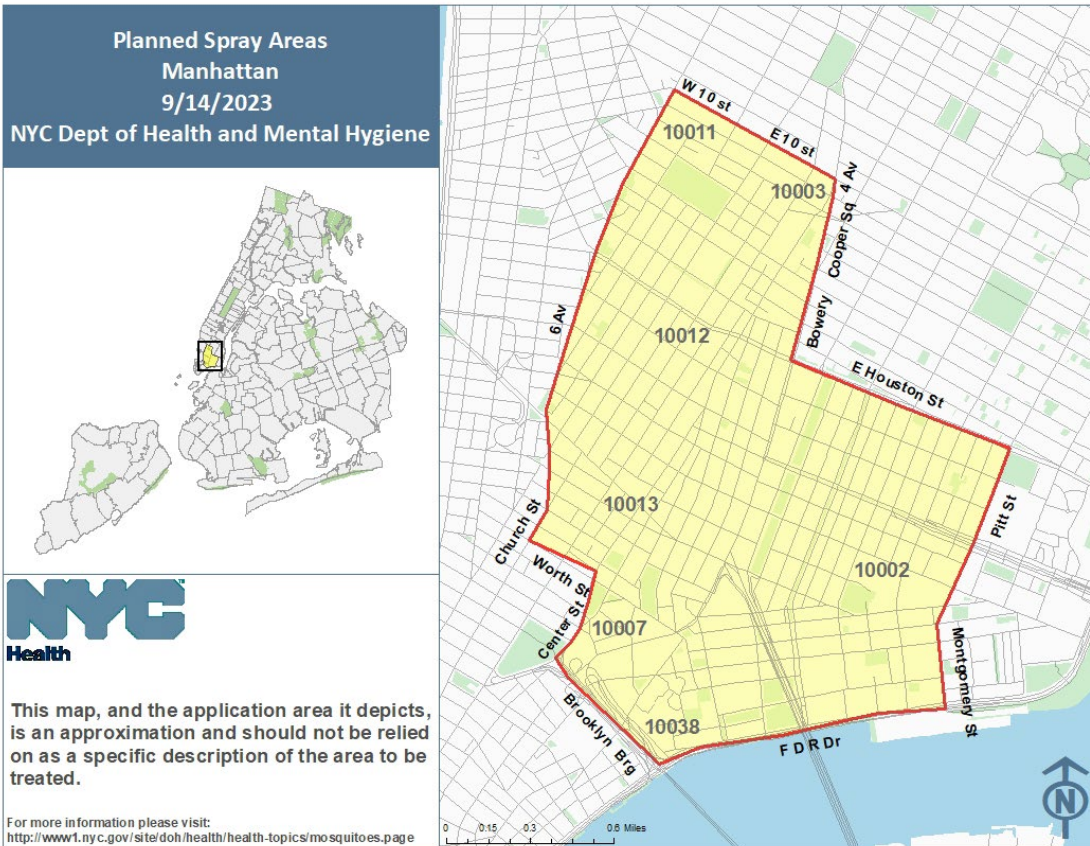
- Use an approved insect repellent containing DEET, picaridin, oil of lemon eucalyptus (not for children under 3), or products that contain the active ingredient IR3535.
- Make sure windows have screens. Repair or replace screens that have tears or holes.
- Eliminate any standing water from your property 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](http://nyc.gov/health/wnv). For more information about West Nile virus, call 311 or visit [nyc.gov](http://nyc.gov).

### Locations of truck spraying in Manhattan for Thursday, September 14, 2023

Borough	Neighborhoods	Boundaries	Zip Codes
Manhattan	Parts of Bloomingdale, Central Harlem, Fort George, Hamilton Heights, Hudson Heights, Harlem, Inwood, Little Dominican Republic, Manhattan Valley, Manhattanville, Morningside Heights, Strivers' Row, Sugar Hill, Upper Manhattan, Washington Heights, and West Harlem.	Bordered by Hudson River to the West; Spuyten Duyvil Creek to the North; Harlem River, Park Avenue to the East; and, East 97 Street, 97 Street Transverse, West 96 Street to the South.	Parts of 10025, 10026, 10027, 10029, 10030, 10031, 10032, 10033, 10034, 10037, 10039, 10040, and 10115
	Parts of Bowery, Chinatown, Civic Center, Greenwich Village, Little Italy, Lower East Side, Lower Manhattan, Noho, Nolita, Soho, and Two Bridges.	Bordered by Church Street, 6 Avenue to the West; West 10 Street, East 10 Street to the North; 4 Avenue, Cooper Square, Bowery, East Houston Street, Pitt Street, Montgomery Street to the East; and, FDR Drive, Brooklyn Bridge, Center Street, Worth Street to the South.	Parts of 10002, 10003, 10007, 10011, 10012, 10012, and 10038





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