

NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE Dr. Michelle Morse, MD, MPH *Acting Health Commissioner*

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Friday, July 11, 2025

HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO SPRAY FOR ADULT MOSQUITOES IN PARTS OF STATEN ISLAND TO REDUCE RISK OF WEST NILE VIRUS

Trucks will spray pesticide in parts of Staten Island on the night of Thursday, July 17, 2025, weather permitting

NEW YORK — To reduce mosquito activity and the risk of West Nile virus, the Health Department will conduct adulticide treatments in Staten Island.

Trucks will spray pesticides in sections of Staten Island beginning **Thursday, July 17, 2025**, **between the hours of 8:30 P.M. and 6:00 A.M.** the following morning, weather permitting.

In case of bad weather, application will be delayed until **Monday, July 21, 2025, between the hours** of 8:30 P.M. and 6:00 A.M. the following morning, weather permitting.

The Health Department will use very low concentrations of Anvil®, 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 <u>nyc.gov/health/wnv</u>. For more information about West Nile virus, call 311 or visit <u>nyc.gov</u>.

Locations of truck spraying in Staten Island for Thursday, July 17, 2025

Borough	Neighborhoods	Boundaries	Zip Codes
Staten	Parts of Annadale, Arden	Bordered by Luten Avenue, Amboy	Parts of
Island	Heights, Bay Terrace,	Road, Huguenot Avenue and Korean	10306, 10308
	Eltingville, Great Kills,	War Veterans Parkway to the West;	and 10312.
	Oakwood Heights, Prince's	Barlow Avenue, Corbin Avenue,	
	Bay, Richmond, Southeast	Ironwood Street, Ocean View Cemetery,	
	Annadale, Woodrow and	Amboy Road and Buffalo Street to the	
	Woods of Arden.	North; Hylan Boulevard, Fairlawn	
		Avenue and Atlantic Ocean to the East;	
		and Atlantic Ocean, Huguenot Avenue,	
		and Hylan Boulevard to the South.	



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