

NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE

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HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO SPRAY FOR ADULT MOSQUITOES IN PARTS OF QUEENS AND BROOKLYN TO REDUCE RISK OF WEST NILE VIRUS

Trucks Will Spray Pesticide in Parts of Queens and Brooklyn on the Nights of August 11 and 13, 2025, Weather Permitting

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

Trucks will spray pesticides in sections of Queens beginning Monday, August 11, 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 in Queens will be delayed until Tuesday, August 12, 2025, between the hours of 8:30 P.M. and 6:00 A.M. the following morning, weather permitting.

Trucks will spray pesticides in sections of Brooklyn beginning **Wednesday**, **August 13**, **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 in Brooklyn will be delayed until **Thursday**, **August 14**, **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.

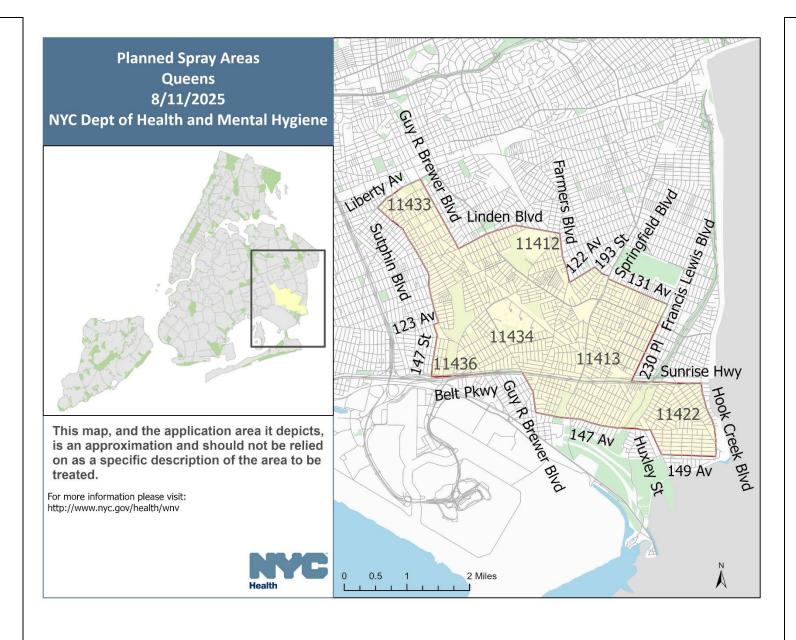
Reducing exposure to mosquitoes

- 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>.

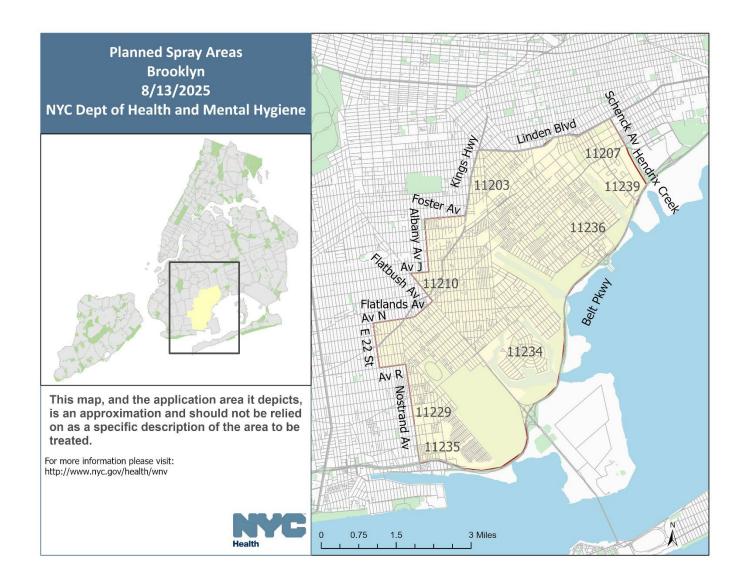
Locations of truck spraying in Queens for Monday, August 11, 2025

Borough	Neighborhoods	Boundaries	Zip Codes
Queens	Parts of Brookville,	Bordered by 147 Street, 123	Parts of
	Jamaica, Laurelton,	Avenue and Sutphin Boulevard to	11412,
	Locust Manor, Rochdale,	the West; Libert Avenue, Guy R	11413,
	Rosedale, Saint Albans,	Brewer Boulevard, Linden	11422,
	South Jamaica and	Boulevard, Farmers Boulevard,	11433,
	Springfield Gardens.	122 Avenue, 193 Street,	11434 and
		Springfield Boulevard and 131	11436.
		Avenue to the North; Francis	
		Lewis Boulevard, 230 Place,	
		Sunrise Highway and Hook Creek	
		Boulevard to the East; 149	
		Avenue, Huxley Street, 147	
		Avenue, Guy R Brewer Boulevard,	
		and Belt Parkway to the South.	



Locations of truck spraying in Brooklyn for Wednesday, August 13, 2025

Borough	Neighborhoods	Boundaries	Zip Codes
Brooklyn	Parts of Bergen Beach,	Bordered by Nostrand Avenue,	Parts of
	Canarsie, East	Avenue R, East 22 Street,	11203, 11207,
	Flatbush, East	Avenue N, Flatlands Avenue,	11210,
	Midwood, Flatlands,	Flatbush Avenue, Avenue J,	11229,11234,
	Georgetown, Madison,	Albany Avenue, Foster Avenue,	11235, 11236
	Marine Park, Midwood,	Kings Highway to the West;	and 11239.
	Mil Basin, Remsen	Linden Boulevard and Schenck	
	Village, Sheepshead	Avenue Creek to the North; Belt	
	Bay and Starrett City.	Parkway to the East and to the	
		South.	



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