



**NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF
HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE**

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**NYC HEALTH DEPARTMENT CONTINUES TARGETED MOSQUITO CONTROL
TREATMENTS IN MANHATTAN, BROOKLYN AND QUEENS**

*Truck-based Treatments Scheduled for September 21 in Manhattan and September 23, in
Brooklyn and Queens, Weather Permitting*

*Treatments Are Guided by Ongoing West Nile Virus and Mosquito Surveillance Across New
York City*

NEW YORK — The New York City Health Department will conduct targeted truck-based mosquito control treatments in parts of Manhattan, Brooklyn and Queens next week as part of its ongoing efforts to reduce adult mosquito populations and the risk of West Nile virus (WNV). Trucks will treat designated areas of Manhattan on Monday, September 21, from 11:30 p.m. until 6:00 a.m. the following morning. If weather conditions prevent the operation, treatment will take place Tuesday, September 22, during the same hours. A second operation is scheduled for parts of Brooklyn and Queens on Wednesday, September 23, from 8:30 p.m. until 6:00 a.m. the following morning, weather permitting. The alternate date is Thursday, September 24, during the same hours.

“Mosquito control is most effective when we use the information we collect throughout the season to act where it can make a difference,” said **NYC Health Commissioner Dr.**

Alister F. Martin. “These targeted treatments are one of the tools we use to reduce the number of mosquitoes and help protect New Yorkers. People can do their part too by clearing standing water around their homes and using insect repellent when spending time outdoors.”

The following maps identify the treatment areas:

NYC Health
Planned Spray Areas
Manhattan
9/21/2026
 NYC Dept of Health and Mental Hygiene



For more information please visit:
<http://www.nyc.gov/health/wnv>

This map, and the application area it depicts, is an approximation and should not be relied on as a specific description of the area to be treated.

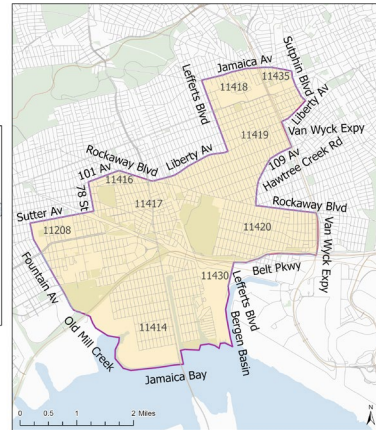


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The Health Department will apply Duet, an EPA-registered mosquito control product, using truck-mounted equipment. The risks of pesticides applied by the Health Department for mosquito control are low for people and pets. Individuals who are particularly sensitive to spray ingredients may experience temporary eye or throat irritation or a mild rash. People with respiratory conditions may wish to stay indoors, whenever possible, to minimize exposure during the application period. Air conditioners can remain on, but air conditioner vents may be closed or set to the recirculate function as an added precaution.

New Yorkers can reduce their risk of mosquito bites by using an EPA-registered insect repellent containing DEET, picaridin, IR3535, or oil of lemon eucalyptus; wearing long sleeves and pants when outdoors in areas with high mosquito activity and making sure windows and doors have properly fitted screens.

New Yorkers should also eliminate standing water around their homes, including water that collects in buckets, flowerpots, birdbaths, tarps, gutters, and other containers. Swimming pools, outdoor saunas, and hot tubs should be cleaned and chlorinated and covered when not in use. Standing water can be reported by calling 311.

Maps of the treatment areas and additional information about mosquito control and West Nile virus are available at nyc.gov/health/wnv.

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