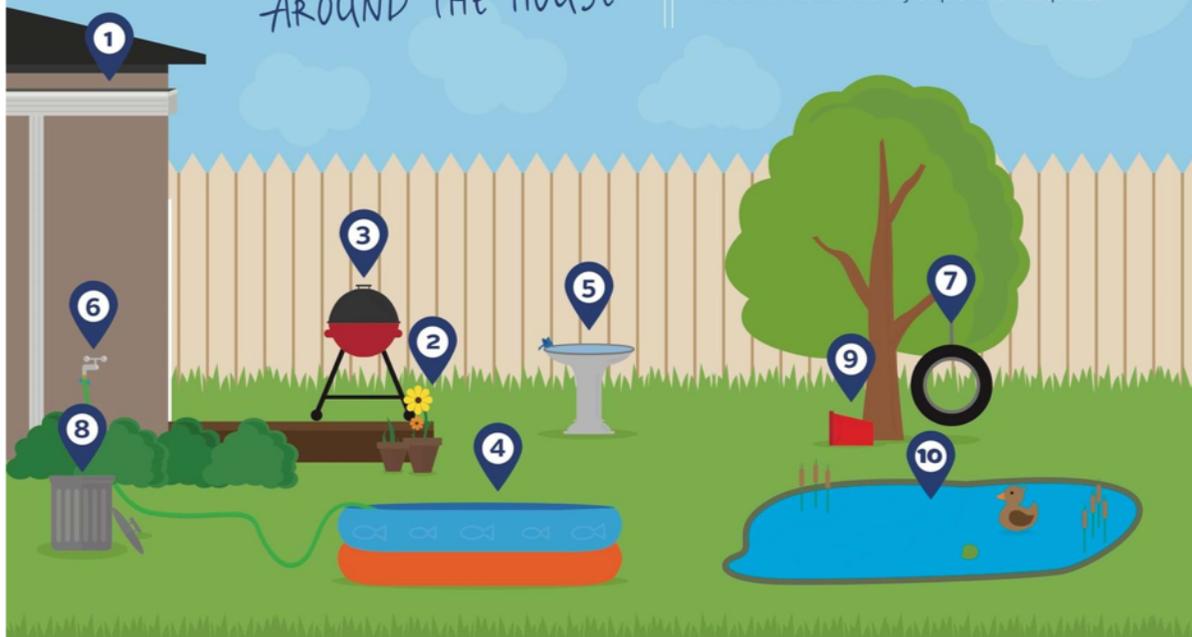


# PREVENTING MOSQUITO BREEDING GROUNDS AROUND THE HOUSE

Are you unknowingly attracting mosquitoes to your property? Mosquitoes can breed in as little as a ½ inch of standing water, so even items containing water the size of a bottle cap may be mosquito magnets. The diagram below shows the areas around the home that may be prone to mosquitoes.



**1 GUTTERS** – Remove leaves and other debris from gutters

**2 FLOWERPOTS** – Pour out stagnant water from flowerpots and planters

**3 GRILL COVER** – Make sure water isn't gathering on top of the grill cover

**4 BABY POOL** – Don't let water sit in baby pools for long periods of time

**5 BIRDBATH** – Frequently change out the water in birdbaths

**6 LEAKY PIPES** – Repair any leaky pipes or faucets

**7 TIRES** – Drill holes in the bottom of tire swings and wheel barrels to allow water to drain

**8 TRASH CANS** – Ensure trash cans are tightly sealed and lids aren't flipped upside down

**9 BUCKETS** – Remove water collecting in buckets and toys

**10 PONDS** – Keep swimming pools and ponds adequately treated