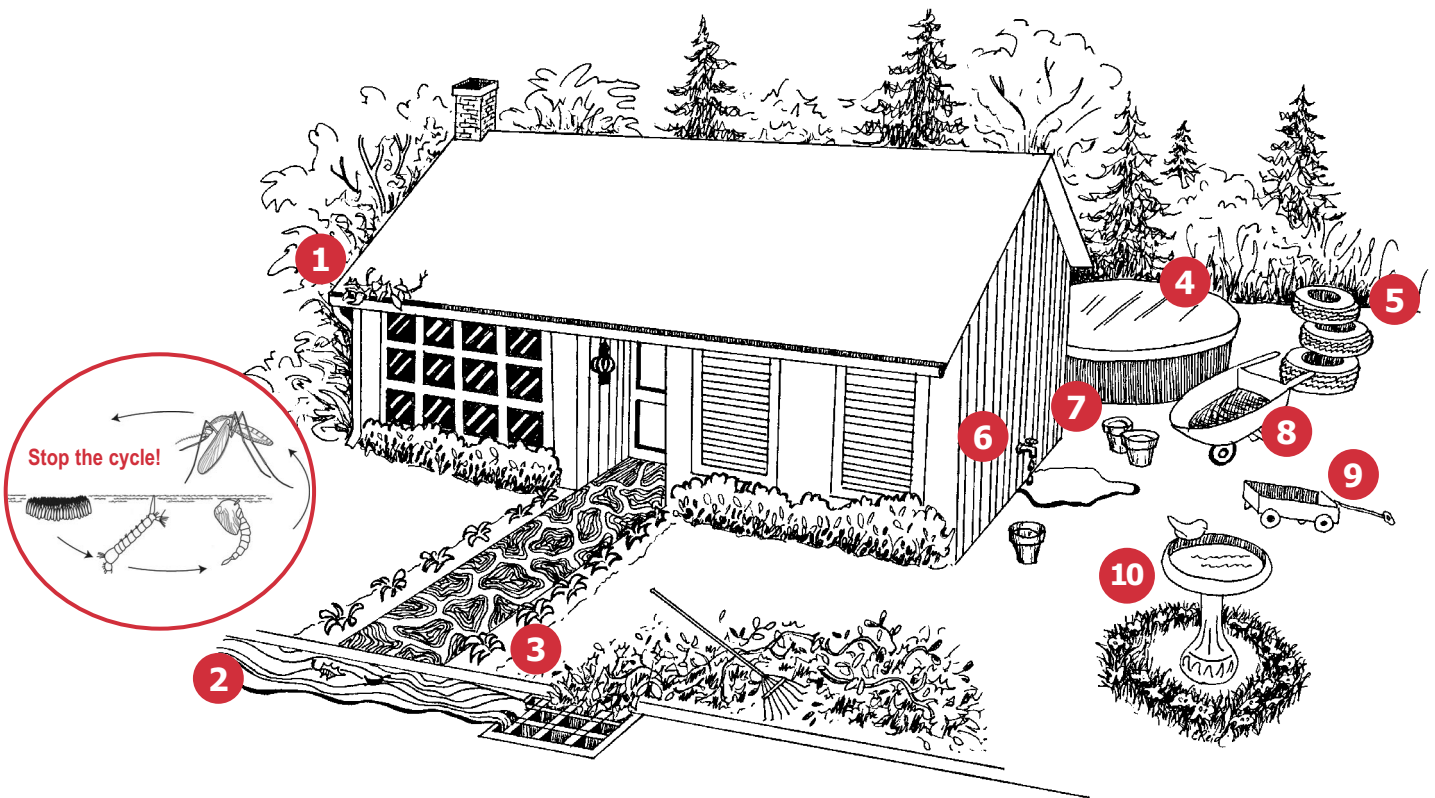


# Fight the Bite!



## Don't give mosquitoes a home!

- 1) Clean gutters regularly.
- 2) Avoid overwatering.
- 3) Keep yard waste out of storm drains.
- 4) Maintain pools and spas; keep water from pooling on covers.
- 5) Eliminate debris and litter that hold water.
- 6) Repair leaky faucets.
- 7) Empty water from plant pots and saucers.
- 8) Drain wheelbarrows and other garden equipment or store inside.
- 9) Drain water from toys or store inside.
- 10) Change birdbaths and water for pets often.

### Other handy tips...

- ✓ Check French drains; if water collects, treat with larvicide regularly.
- ✓ Check water meter box for leaks and standing water; treat with larvicide if needed.
- ✓ **Water landscape deeply and infrequently—an inch a week is enough!**
  - Use a water gauge to check the amount of time it takes for the irrigation system to deliver one inch.
  - If runoff is a problem, program irrigation system or set sprinklers to run at five-minute intervals; allow water to soak in before turning on again; continue on/off cycle until one inch of water is absorbed.
  - Add organic matter, such as compost, to the soil to improve water absorption and reduce runoff.



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