

Adult Nuisance Mosquito Fogging Bulletin #28

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Adult Nuisance Mosquito Fogging Program suspended

Winnipeg, MB – The Public Works Department's Adult Nuisance Mosquito fogging program is suspended as of today, August 6, 2014, due to low mosquito activity. The city wide average adult mosquito trap count for today was 26. All quadrants are substantially below 100.

The current adult mosquito population is near the end of its life cycle due to the warmer temperatures. Larval surveillance indicates very low levels of mosquito larvae in standing water sites and no significant emergence of mosquitoes is expected in the next two weeks.

When adult mosquito activity is depressed, fogging is not an effective method of control as the droplets of Malathion must be in the air when the mosquitoes are flying in order to hit and kill the mosquitoes.

General Information

Public Service Announcements (PSAs) will be released daily at least eight hours in advance of fogging. These PSAs will identify the Insect Management Areas the ICB is planning to treat that evening, weather permitting. Until further notice, fogging will be carried out on a daily basis between the hours of 9:30 p.m. and 6:30 a.m. Fogging will not occur when temperatures are below 13 degrees Celsius and/or wind speeds are not conducive to fogging.

The insecticide Pro Malathion ULV® will be used. This insecticide has been approved for use in Canada by Health Canada's Pest Management Regulatory Agency. Pro Malathion ULV® will be used in accordance with federally approved label directions by licensed pesticide applicators.

All buffer zones will be respected. Crews will ensure that the sprayer is not treating within 90 metres on each side of a registered property on the front street, side street, and rear lane.

Property owners not wanting insecticides applied on or adjacent to their principal residence may register as "Anti-Pesticide Registrants" (APR) for the adult nuisance mosquito control

program. Those who wish to register must provide identification that ties the registrant to the address being registered for a buffer zone. A photocopy or scanned document such as a driver's licence or a utility bill will suffice as acceptable identification proving primary residence. All buffer zones will be respected if the request is received 72 hours prior to fogging in that Insect Management Area.

There are four different options to register:

- In writing to Insect Control Branch at 3 Grey Street, Winnipeg, MB, R2L 1V2,
- Emailing 311 at 311@winnipeg.ca
- Faxing 311, or
- In person at 1539 Waverley Street.

Personal notification by telephone and/or email of the fogging program activities is also available by:

- Contacting the Insect Control Branch in writing at 3 Grey Street, Winnipeg, MB R2L 1V2,
- Emailing 311@winnipeg.ca or faxing 311,
- Registering online, and
- In person at 1539 Waverley Street.

The Insect Control Branch's extensive larviciding and residual treatment programs will continue throughout the city in conjunction with the fogging program.

For more information, please contact 311, open 24 hours every day by phone at 311 or by email at 311@winnipeg.ca, or visit the City's Insect Control website.

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