

CDC's Response to **Zika**

# **LARVICIDES** KILL YOUNG MOSQUITOES



**Dunks are one type of larvicide you can use to kill young mosquitoes.**

You can also use larvicides that are liquids, tablets, pellets, granules, and briquettes.

[www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)

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## Larvicides are products to help control mosquitoes outside your home.

They work by killing young mosquitoes before they can grow into biting adults. When used according to product label instructions, larvicides do not harm people, pets, or the environment. Use larvicides where mosquitoes lay eggs. Mosquitoes lay eggs in items that hold water.

- Rain barrels
- Pool covers that collect water
- Fountains
- Septic tanks
- Gutters or downspouts
- Non-chlorinated swimming pool

Use larvicides to treat standing water that cannot be covered, dumped or removed and will not be used for drinking.

**For more information on controlling mosquitoes at home, visit [www.cdc.gov/zika/prevention/controlling-mosquitoes-at-home.html](http://www.cdc.gov/zika/prevention/controlling-mosquitoes-at-home.html)**