

CDC's Response to **Zika**

# **LARVICIDES** KILL MOSQUITO LARVAE



**Dunks are one type of larvicide you can use to kill larvae that hatch from mosquito eggs.**

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 used to help control mosquitoes outside your home.

They work by killing larvae that hatch from mosquito eggs 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 in items that hold water where mosquitoes lay eggs.

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

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)**