

# Giroud Alert: Mosquito Control

#### **Problem**

There's a buzz in the air. And, that buzz is inevitably followed by a bite that can itch for days. Mosquitoes have invaded. Worse than being an itchy nuisance, mosquitoes also carry life threatening diseases like West Nile and Zika viruses.

#### **Solution**

Giroud's PA Certified Technicians know mosquitoes, their favorite hiding spots and how to repel them from your yard. Our 100% Organic Mosquito Control program is made from essential oils including Peppermint and Cedar oils which are a natural repellent.



#### **How It Works**

Giroud makes your yard a "No Itch Zone" by:

- 1. **<u>Risk Assessment</u>**: Your Giroud Arborist will do a comprehensive inspection of your property to identify mosquito hot spots and develop a customized Mosquito Control Program.
- 2. **Best Timing for Treatment**: Mosquito populations skyrocket as the weather gets warmer. Giroud recommends treatments every 3 weeks especially during the warmest months from late Spring through early Fall. Additional treatments may be required for properties with unusually high mosquito populations.
- 3. **100% Organic Mosquito Control**: To be successful, mosquitoes must be controlled where they hide which is typically any dark, moist environment or dense vegetation. Giroud uses a two-step approach:
  - <u>Perimeter sprays</u>: Mosquitoes do not use lawns as resting places. Instead, they look for sheltered areas that are out of direct sunlight. Your Giroud Technician will apply a treatment along the edges of your property to create a mosquito barrier.
  - <u>Hot Spots</u>: Mosquitoes must be controlled where they congregate. Of course the most important control points are in the outdoor spaces where you live, eat and play. Each application will cover these Hot Spots including: foliage, vegetation areas, mulch beds, buildings, porches, eaves, decks and patios.
- 4. **Remove or Empty Objects that Collect Water**: Mosquitoes need water. Our inspection will identify areas where water collects that must be removed, emptied frequently or treated. Recommendations may include: old tires, buckets, plastic covers, or any other container;
- 5. **Prune or Remove Overgrown Vegetation**: Mosquitoes are shade lovers. The Giroud Team can eliminate shady habitats in two ways. First, cleaning up and/or clearing overgrown areas. Second, pruning tree branches and shrubs around the lawn edge to let in more sunlight.

### **Having a Party?**

Don't let hungry mosquitoes attack your guests! From a backyard cookout to a family reunion, graduation or wedding, we can help! For best control, we recommend two treatments. The first is applied about two weeks before your event. The second is done about 2-3 days ahead.

## **Added Bonus!**

Our treatments also protect against ticks and nuisance pests. Tick control is important because ticks spread many diseases including Lyme Disease. Pests like fleas, gnats and ants are just annoying and you'll appreciate the relief!

## Schedule a free evaluation!

Call: 215-682-7704

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