

## YARD AND HOME CHECKLIST

- ✓ Get rid of old tires, tin cans, buckets, drums, bottles or any water holding containers.
- ✓ Fill in or drain any low places (puddles, ruts) in yard.
- ✓ Keep rain gutters, drains, ditches and culverts clean of weeds and trash so water will drain properly.
- ✓ Cover trash containers to keep out rain water.
- ✓ Repair leaky pipes and outside faucets.
- ✓ Empty plastic wading pools at least once a week and store indoors when not in use.



- ✓ Make sure your backyard pool is properly chlorinated every day.
- ✓ Eliminate collected water in boat or pool covers.
- ✓ Change the water in birdbaths and plant pots or drip trays at least once each week.
- ✓ Fill in tree rot holes and hollow stumps that hold water with sand or concrete.
- ✓ Keep grass cut short and shrubbery well trimmed around the house so adult mosquitoes cannot hide there.
- ✓ Ponds and stagnant water bodies that do not support fish, frogs or other amphibians which eat mosquito larvae may be treated with a biological control agent such as *Bacillus thuringiensis israelensis* (BTI).