



## RESIDENTIAL NOTICE MOSQUITO ALERT

You are hereby notified that following a visit by the *Aedes aegypti* Inspectors/Environmental Health Officer, containers that can breed mosquitoes for containers with mosquito larvae or wrigglers were found on your premises, contrary to the Public Health (Mosquito) Regulations, 1971.

Your help and assistance in controlling the mosquito that spreads Dengue is important to the community.

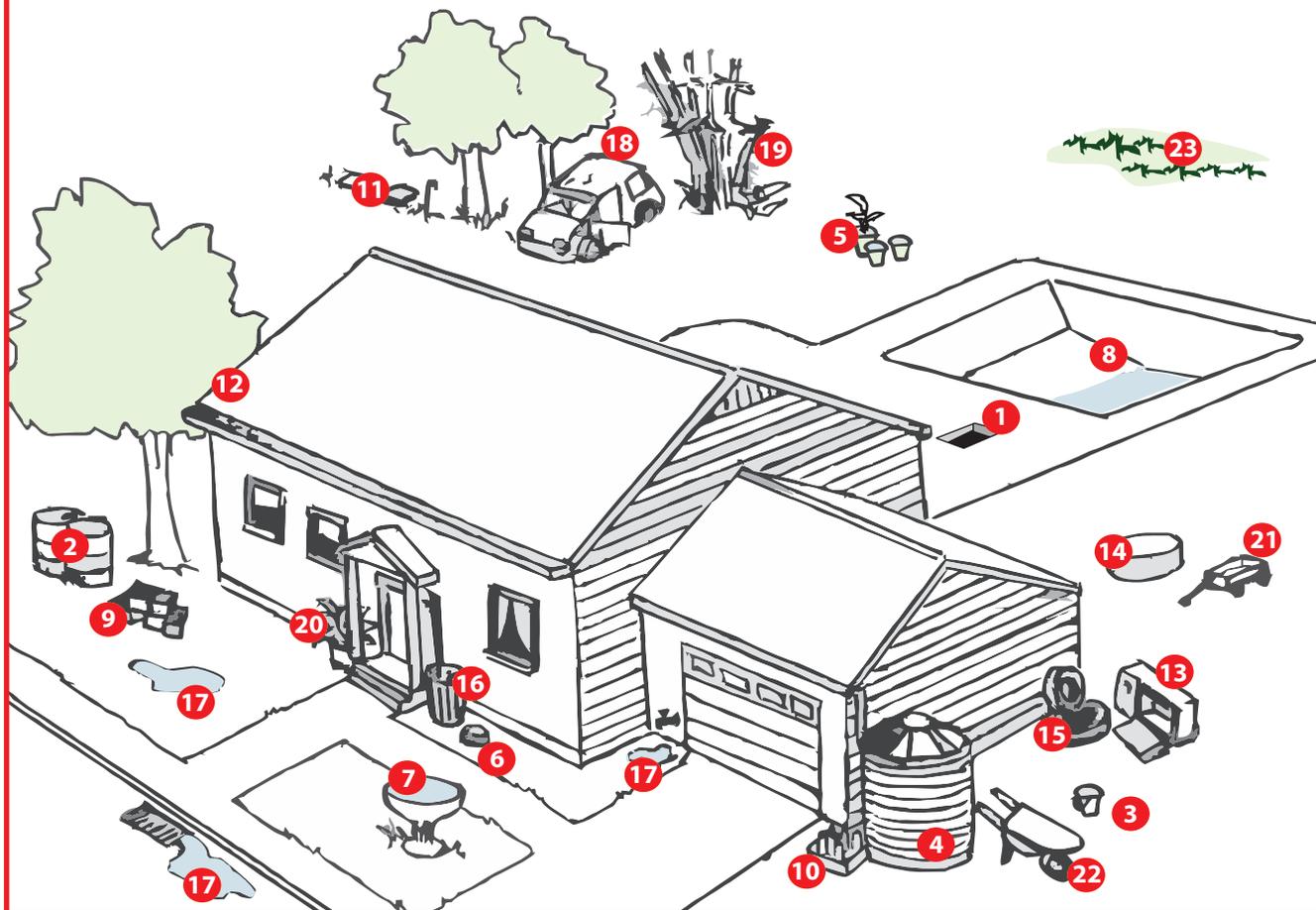
**ACT NOW:** The boxes marked with an **X** to the right represent containers that were found on your premises with collections of water that may be/are breeding mosquitoes. This pamphlet contains valuable information that will assist and guide you with controlling potential mosquito breeding sites around your premises.

Remember it only takes fifteen minutes a week to inspect your premises and take action to keep the mosquitoes away.

For more information or assistance, you may contact the Environmental Health Division at 468-5110 or extensions 5110, 4965 or 5119.

## EXTERIOR BREEDING GROUNDS FOUND ON YOUR PROPERTY

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 1. Cisterns/wells                  | <input type="checkbox"/> 13. Discarded appliances        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2. Barrels/drums                   | <input type="checkbox"/> 14. Wash tubs                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3. Buckets/pails                   | <input type="checkbox"/> 15. Tyres                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 4. Water tanks                     | <input type="checkbox"/> 16. Trash containers            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5. Flower pots/vases and saucers   | <input type="checkbox"/> 17. Drains/ditches/depressions  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 6. Pet dishes/bowls/pans           | <input type="checkbox"/> 18. Abandoned vehicles/boats    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 7. Ornamental pools/fountains      | <input type="checkbox"/> 19. Tree holes/bamboos          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 8. Swimming pools                  | <input type="checkbox"/> 20. Bromeliad plants            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 9. Construction blocks/brick holes | <input type="checkbox"/> 21. Discarded toys              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 10. Bottles/tin cans               | <input type="checkbox"/> 22. Garden containers and tools |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 11. Septic Tank                    | <input type="checkbox"/> 23. Vegetation/tall grass       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 12. Roof gutters/leaves            |  |



## PERSONAL INDOOR CHECKLIST

### 1. Cisterns

**Management:** seal cistern with tightly fitted concrete covers. Outlets and down-spouts should be sealed with mosquito netting.

### 2. Flower vases

**Management:** plant flowers in dirt instead or put gravel or ornamental stones in. but keep the water level below the stones.

### 3. Buckets and pails

**Management:** bucket and other types of containers used to store water indoors should be tightly covered with mosquito netting or cheese-cloth.

### 4. Flower pots with saucers

**Management:** weekly empty and wipe saucers clean to eliminate and mosquitoes breeding in the water collected.

## PERSONAL OUTDOOR CHECKLIST

### 2.4. Containers for storing water

**Management:** keep them securely covered, screened or taped at all times with mosquito netting or cheese-cloth.

### 3.10.13.14.21. Discarded buckets, laundry tanks, sinks, face basins and toilet bowls: bottles, tin cans, old shoes, old toys (Garbage)

**Management:** dispose of at the incinerator. In the interim, turn over and/or secure under shelter.

### 6. Pet dishes

**Management:** weekly wash the inside of the dishes with a rag or a sponge to destroy the mosquito eggs.

### 9. Concrete blocks/pieces of glass bottle on boundary walls

**Management:** fill up with concrete, gravel or sand

### 12. Roof guttering

**Management:** clean weekly to ensure that dirt and leaves do not collect rainwater and encourage mosquitoes to breed in them. Guttering should also be stopped to facilitate easy drainage of water.

### 15. Old tyres

**Management:** bore holes in them, then either take them to the incinerator or secure them under shelter

### 19. 20. Tree holes/bamboo shoots/bromeliads

**Management:** fill in with concrete, gravel or sand

### 22. Gardening equipment (water pans, shovels, wheelbarrows and the like)

**Management:** secure under shelter or turn over to prevent water collection.

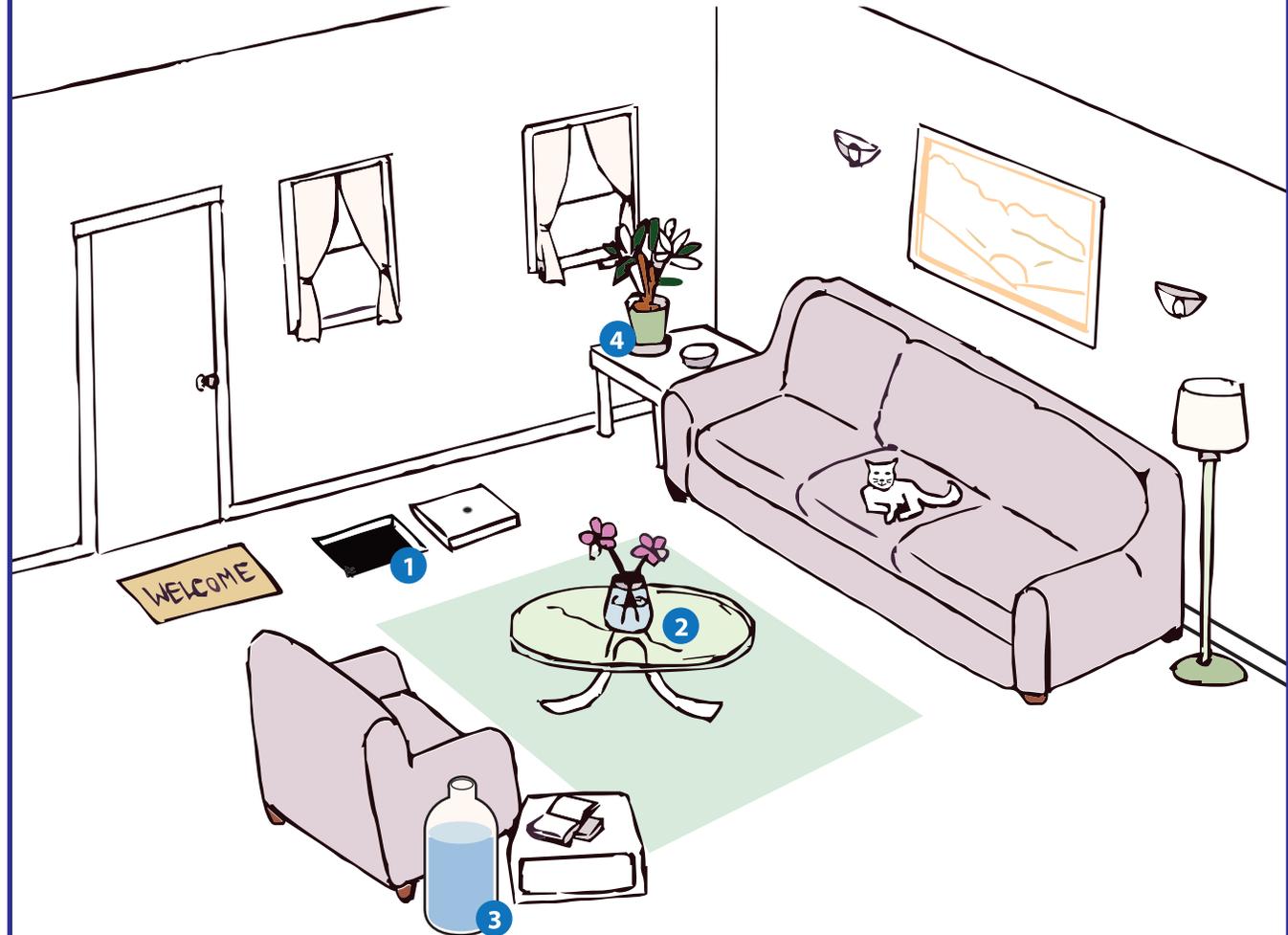
### 23. Vegetation/tall Grass

**Management:** regularly debush and clear vegetation around your property which will prevent the harboring of mosquitoes.

## POTENTIAL BREEDING GROUNDS INSIDE YOUR HOME

- 1. Cisterns/wells
- 2. Flower vases

- 3. Buckets and Pails
- 4. Flower pots with saucer



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