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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE- MOSQUITO CONTROL SECTION

MOSQUITO CONTROL POLICY STATEMENT

OBJECTION TO ADULT MOSQUITO CONTROL

The policy of the Maryland Department of Agriculture regarding an objection to adult mosquito control by truck-mounted ultra low volume (ULV) application of insecticide is as follows:

! An individual may have his/her owned or leased real property and a surrounding buffer up to 300 feet on all sides of the property excluded from ground based ULV adult mosquito control.

! Each individual requesting this exclusion must submit the request in writing to the Maryland Department of Agriculture and provide copies to the appropriate community association or city/town. The request must provide the address of the property to be excluded and must be signed by the owner(s) or leasee(s). This request will be acknowledged in writing by the Department.

! If the number of individual objectors, and the location of excluded properties, precludes an effective mosquito control adulticide service in a community, the service in that community will be suspended. Service may be reinstated upon the written request of the community and approval by the Department.

! A city/town or community association may request the Department to rescind or modify a spray exclusion zone if the local authority believes the exemption unfairly impacts other residents who desire adult mosquito control service. Requests to rescind or modify spray exclusion requests must be made in writing and delivered to the Secretary of Agriculture.

! The Department periodically will verify the continued occupancy/ownership by objectors of properties excluded from ULV ground spraying to determine if the objection continues.

! In the event of mosquito-borne disease or conditions that threaten public health, the suspension of mosquito adulticide service in an area due to objectors will be discontinued and the full range of mosquito control procedures available will be utilized.

PUBLIC INFORMATION NOTICE:

Your **request for exemption from adult mosquito control services** by the Maryland Department of Agriculture **WILL NOT** be processed unless **ALL** of the information requested has been supplied. You have a right to inspect, amend, or correct this information. Under State Government Article, 10-617, Annotated Code of Maryland, this information may be generally available for public inspection. This information is not routinely shared with state, federal or local government agencies.

Individuals should direct correspondence regarding this issue to:

Maryland Department of Agriculture
Mosquito Control Section
50 Harry S. Truman Parkway
Annapolis, MD 21401

REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION FROM ADULT MOSQUITO CONTROL SERVICES

This application must be completed by the individual residing within a community participating in the Mosquito Control Program who wishes to have his/her property excluded from adult mosquito control pesticide applications by truck-mounted ultra low volume (ULV) sprayers. The attached statement entitled "Objection to Adult Mosquito Control" explains the Maryland Department of Agriculture's policy on individual objectors. Please retain it for your files.

Please complete all the information below. Please read the "Public Information Notice" on the attached policy statement. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Please print or type:

Name : _____

Address: _____

City: _____ County: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone No. Day _____

(Include area code) Evening _____

Name of your Community Association: _____

Name of the Subdivision in which you reside: _____

Signature: _____

(I have read MDA's Adult Mosquito Control Objection Policy)

Your city/town or community association will receive notice of the scheduled night for surveillance and spraying. It is the responsibility of the city/town or community association to notify the residents of the schedule. Spraying will be conducted only if needed and will be done on the same day (as the above-mentioned survey) of each week. Please feel free to contact us if you have further questions at 301-373-4264/65 - St. Mary's County; 1-888-523-0256 - Charles County; 1-877-425-6485 - Baltimore & Harford Counties; 301-422-5080 - Western Maryland; 410-841-5870 - Anne Arundel & Queen Anne's Counties; or 410-543-6626 - Eastern Shore (remaining).

Application should be sent to:

Program Supervisor
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