

## Removing the mosquito threat from commercial properties

**M**osquitoes do not respect human-defined boundaries. Your commercial property may not have any of the conditions that promote mosquito breeding, like an overgrown landscape, or standing water – and as little as a quarter-inch of the latter will suffice. But if those conditions are present at the property down the street, your property can be at risk for these unwanted visitors.

Mosquitoes possess numerous unique characteristics. Their most notable trait is that they are vectors of numerous diseases, including West Nile virus, malaria, dengue, and equine encephalitis (EEE).

Although your local mosquito and vector control agency provides community-wide population control of mosquitoes, Clark Pest Control's SWAT Mosquito service offers targeted, ongoing coverage to owners and managers of commercial properties. SWAT Mosquito service uses a three-pronged approach to mosquito control, serviced year round, to ensure that your business, employees, customers, and guests are protected from these annoying and potentially dangerous pests.

Public-agency vector control focuses on macro-level, community-wide source reduction and population knockdown. SWAT Mosquito service, on the other hand,

works at a micro level on your property by minimizing mosquito reproduction, interrupting the life cycle of developing larvae, and reducing adults by applying a chemical barrier.

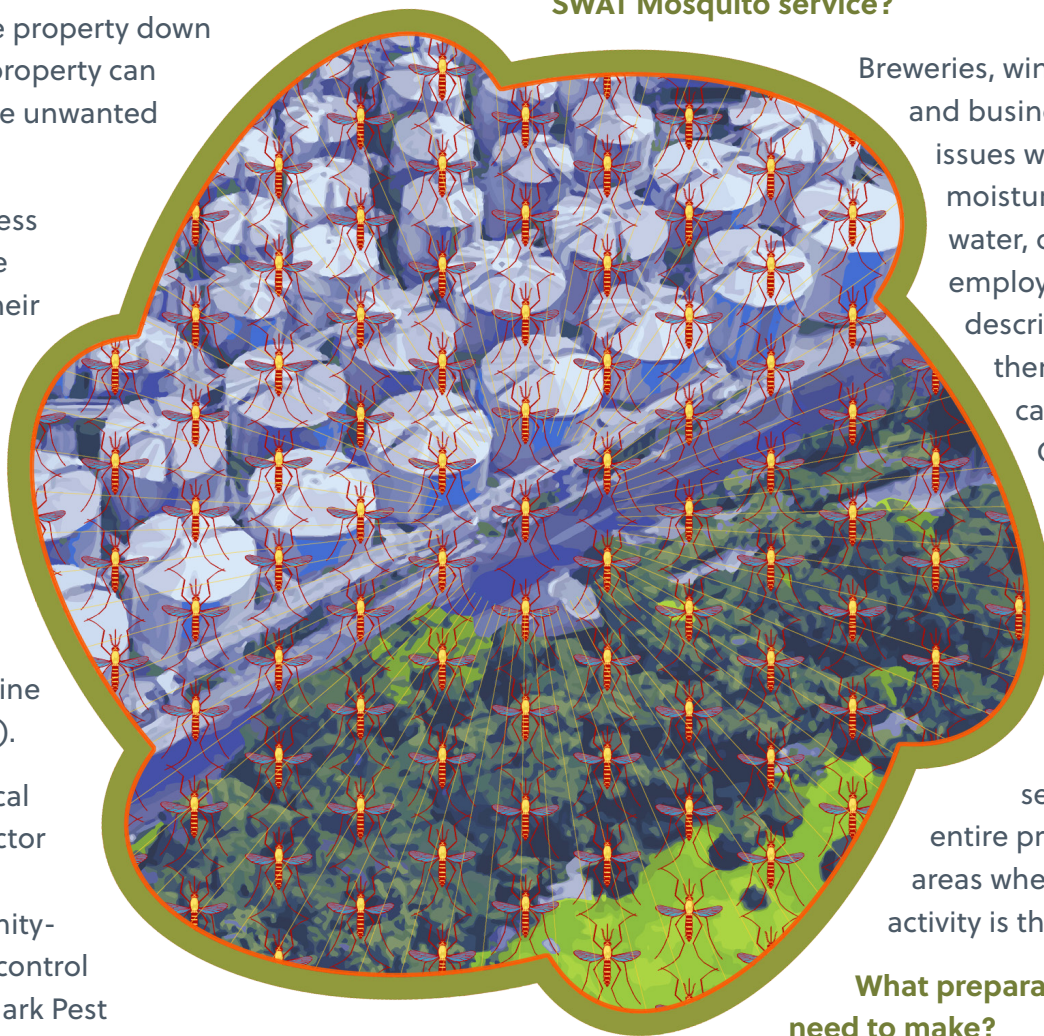
### What commercial properties will benefit from Clark's SWAT Mosquito service?

Breweries, wineries, restaurants, and businesses that have issues with excessive moisture or standing water, or that have employees whose job description requires them to work outside, can benefit from Clark's SWAT Mosquito service. Agricultural processing facilities are also susceptible to mosquitoes. Clark's SWAT service treats the entire property and targets areas where the mosquito activity is the worst.




### What preparation will clients need to make?

Effective mosquito management begins with inspection and assessment. Clark's specially trained technicians will identify the breeding source and provide advice on how to reduce standing water. Fountains and water features will be treated with a larvicide, and some facilities located near ponds and creeks may need ongoing service.

When Clark's SWAT Mosquito service technicians are at your facility, they will:



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-  Identify and treat potential breeding areas
-  Treat harborage areas where mosquitoes rest
-  Install and service a mosquito-attractant trap

### Restrictions around food-processing facilities?


Clark Pest Control, following integrated pest management (IPM) principles, takes great care and makes targeted applications of products around commercial properties, especially those involved in food processing. Organic-certified facilities would need to petition to have the service performed, but Clark regularly performs weed control services at large organic-certified accounts. Because SWAT services are performed on the facility's exterior, it should not be an issue with most certifiers.

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Even the smallest of containers that can collect water can breed hundreds or even thousands of mosquitoes. Needing little water to lay their eggs, mosquitoes can breed in bottles, barrels, buckets, an overturned garbage can lid, and flowerpots.

-  Repair leaky outdoor faucets or sprinkler systems.
-  Dispose of any tires, which can breed thousands of mosquitoes.
-  Make sure there is no standing water near loading docks or dumpster areas.
-  Remove unneeded vegetation or trash from around any source of standing water that cannot be changed, dumped, or removed.

Clark Pest Control is committed to safeguarding your

business or commercial property from pests during these challenging times. Our service technicians use such personal protective equipment as gloves, masks, and respirators, they practice social distancing, they call ahead to notify before a service, and they adhere strictly to all Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines when servicing inside or outside your business or commercial property. 



**If your commercial property demands innovative pest management solutions and a pest management partner that understands your business, call Clark Pest Control at (800) 936-3339.**



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