



Lifting the lid

on sewage systems

Mosquito Control

Mosquitoes can spread diseases (such as Ross River Virus) and it is important to eliminate places around the home that promote mosquito breeding.

An incorrectly maintained septic system is the perfect breeding place for mosquitoes.

You can prevent this by

- covering all vents with a mosquito proof mesh
- ensuring covers on inspection openings, septic tank, pump chamber and effluent disposal system are sealed to prevent mosquitoes from gaining access.



If your septic system has an irrigation area, it is important that you ensure this area is

- kept free of overgrown vegetation
- does not allow for excessive ponding of water

One method which you may have heard of for controlling mosquitoes is the intermittently flushing of pesticides through the toilet pan.

Not only will this disrupt bacterial action for the system to function effectively but it will also result in pesticides being discharged into the environment. **This will not be necessary if mosquitoes are denied access to the system.**



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