

The best actions to fight against mosquito vectors of disease

Aedes albopictus, known as tiger mosquito, can transmit serious illnesses such as dengue, Zika or chikungunya. These diseases, called arboviruses, can be very disabling.

The tiger mosquito is now established and active throughout the Paca region.







TIGER MOSQUITO'S ID CARD

Birthplace: objects containers water or objects retaining water around homes.

Living place: within a radius of 150 meters around of his birthplace

Lifepan: 1 month.

Particularities: it is black with white stripes. It bites all day, mainly early in the morning and at sunset and is particularly aggressive.

SOME NUMBERS

80 %

larval breeding sites are manmade around the home.

300

the number of eggs that a mosquito can lay a month. 150 m

the movement radius of a tiger mosquito.

SIMPLE ACTIONS TO CARRY OUT EACH WEEK

The mosquito that bites you is born and lives in your home. It only needs a **fews drops** of water and **few days** to develop..



I eliminate stagnant water.



I remove or cover water tanks (cans, cisterns, basins).



I check the proper flow of rainwater (gutters, drainage grates, etc.).

HOW DO YOU CATCH DENGUE, CHIKUNGUNYA OR ZIKA?

When traveling to a country where dengue, chikungunya or zika are present, a person can be bitten by an infected mosquito. Upon returning to mainland France, if the person is sick and is bitten again, the tiger mosquito can then, after a few days, transmit the virus to other people.

You return from a tropical area and you present the following symptoms? Consult your doctor.









Sudden onset fever

Muscle and/ or joint pain

Headache

Rash

When I am sick, the virus is active in my body for 7 days/ To avoid transmitting the disease:

- I protect myself about (or from) mosquito's bites;
- I limit my travel.

HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF FROM BITES?



I use mosquito repellent products.



I turn on the air conditioning or fan.



I wear long, loose, light-colored clothes.





- 1 Aedes albopictus is :
 - A. A magic formula
 - B. An insecticide
 - C. The Tiger mosquito
- 2. What is the most effective way to fight against mosquitoes?
 - A. Crushing them
 - B. Eliminating every places where they can lay their eggs
 - C. Using lemongrass
- 3. How can we catch dengue, chikungunya or Zika?
 - A. By being stung during a tropical travel
 - B. By being bitten by a mosquito already infected
 - C. By kissing

- 4. How often should you empty stagnant waters to fight effectively against mosquito?
 - A. 101 FM
 - B. Once a month
 - C. At least once a week
- 6. What does tiger mosquito owe his name?
 - A. His aggressiveness
 - B. His stripes
 - C. His relationship with felines
 - D. Because he roars when he stings
- 6 What are dengue's symptoms ?
 - A. Talking nonsense
 - B. Musculo-articular pain, sudden fever, body aches, pain behind the eyes, headache
 - C. Nothing very severe, it's almost harmless

Answer: 1 = C; 2 = B; 3 - A, B; 4 - C; 5 - A, B; 6 - B



