

MOSQUITO CONTROL DISTRICT



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- Mosquito Control Districts are local government entities responsible for mosquito surveillance and control to protect public health and reduce nuisance mosquito populations.
- Governed by: Texas Health and Safety Code, Chapter 344.
- There are 15 Mosquito Control Districts in Texas: 14 at the county level and 1 at the city level.
- Texas has 254 counties, each with varying needs for mosquito control based on geography and climate.
- Created by petition and local election or resolution.
- Districts may appoint a Mosquito Control Engineer, who must be well qualified in mosquito control. Salary is determined by the commissioners court.
- Primarily funded through taxes levied on residents within the district's boundaries.
- Operate independently or in cooperation with county health departments or emergency management.
- Key activities include mosquito surveillance, disease testing, integrated vector management, and community outreach to protect residents from mosquito-borne diseases.
- Districts provide education and tools to help residents reduce mosquito risks at home and in neighborhoods.
- Associated Organization: Texas Mosquito Control Association (TMCA).