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SUBJECT: EEE Precautions for Youth Sports Leagues

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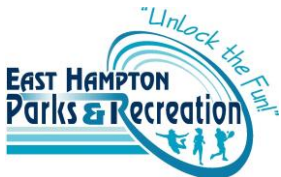
In response to the rise in potential for Eastern Equine Encephalitis disease carrying mosquitoes in the East Hampton region, the Town has contracted with TruGreen to provide a single application of Organic Mosquito control spray to the exterior perimeter tree lines of the High School, Middle School and Center School fields. The spray is applied by a back-pack mist blower onto the trees and brush along the wood line of the fields to create a barrier to Mosquitoes entering the area. No spray will be applied to the grass surfaces of the playing fields. The spray will be applied at 5:00 am on Monday, September 23, 2019 at the high school and middle school locations and on Tuesday, September 24, 2019 at Center School, they will be complete by 8:00 am each day and will be applied by certified applicators of TruGreen. The sprayed tree area is open to use within two hours after the application, once the water evaporates from the spray/water mixture.

The product to be used is "Mosquito Free" which is a nonhazardous medium risk pesticide. This is a mosquito pesticide used to create a protective barrier around trees and vegetative borders of specific high use areas for control of mosquito populations. This single application, with ideal weather conditions, can be effective for up to 45 days.

Based on the DPH's report that a confirmed case of EEE was identified in Colchester in a horse, we are asking that people take conservative measures to reduce the risk of exposure.

Due to the increased risk the Park and Recreation Department has asked all sports organizations to end practices one hour prior to sun set each day effective immediately. These measures will remain in place until our first heavy frost, we will update the youth sports presidents as changes come out.

The **Chatham Health District** recommends people take precaution when outside during the hours of dusk to dawn. Please see the attached Press release from Chatham Health regarding this.



We apologies for any inconvenience. Thank you for your cooperation!

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