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## ELIMINATING MOSQUITOES

Solving a Year-Round Problem



SWAT MOSQUITO SYSTEMS is a Miramar company serving all of South Florida. It installs mosquito mist systems to control mosquitoes and no-see-ums, which can make life miserable, especially for people prone to getting bites. "We use a proprietary system that is higher quality than any other company in south Florida," says owner Steve Jenkins. "Being that we are the largest, we are able to supply a better and quicker service."

Enjoy the outdoors around your home again, without fear of being bothered by mosquitoes and no-see-ums. Jenkins adds, "We have a saying – 'we move in, mosquitoes move out.'"

The need for SWAT Mosquito Systems dramatically increased after a wave of hurricanes in 2005, with Hurricane Wilma destroying screened enclosures for backyard swimming pools in record numbers. In many cases, homeowners' insurance would not cover the cost of replacement enclosures,

leaving residents more vulnerable than ever to the prevalence of biting, buzzing insects. SWAT Mosquito Systems provides an answer to a pressing problem, especially as the weather heats up and summer approaches,

along with the increase in backyard barbecues and parties.

Each home or business gets a system that is custom-designed. Once installed, the system sprays at regular intervals, according to the client's schedule and needs.

For Jenkins, the fight against mosquitoes began with a personal experience. He began testing methods to eradicate mosquitoes in his Dallas, Texas backyard, when he was trying to protect his newborn son in 2002. Sprays, candles and other products were tested, all without success. Speaking of his son's susceptibility, Jenkins said, "He couldn't go outside because he'd get eaten up."

An automated misting system was the result of Jenkins' thought process. He learned that food processing plants and dairy farms had been using misting systems to combat flies since the early 1970s. SWAT Mosquito Systems uses a safe, botanical insecticide derived from chrysanthemums or an equally safe organic alternative made from rosemary oil. Jenkins recommends misting during the evening and nighttime hours, when biting insects are most active. ○

SWAT Mosquito Systems is located at 11491 Interchange Circle South in Miramar. The telephone number is 1-866-900-SWAT or 954-437-1815. The fax number is 954-437-1816. The website is [www.swatmosquitosystems.com](http://www.swatmosquitosystems.com).



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