



Mosquitos and your swimming pool

Eastern Health Authority operates under the South Australian Public Health Act 2011 and investigates public health complaints in relation to domestic swimming pools and mosquito breeding activity.

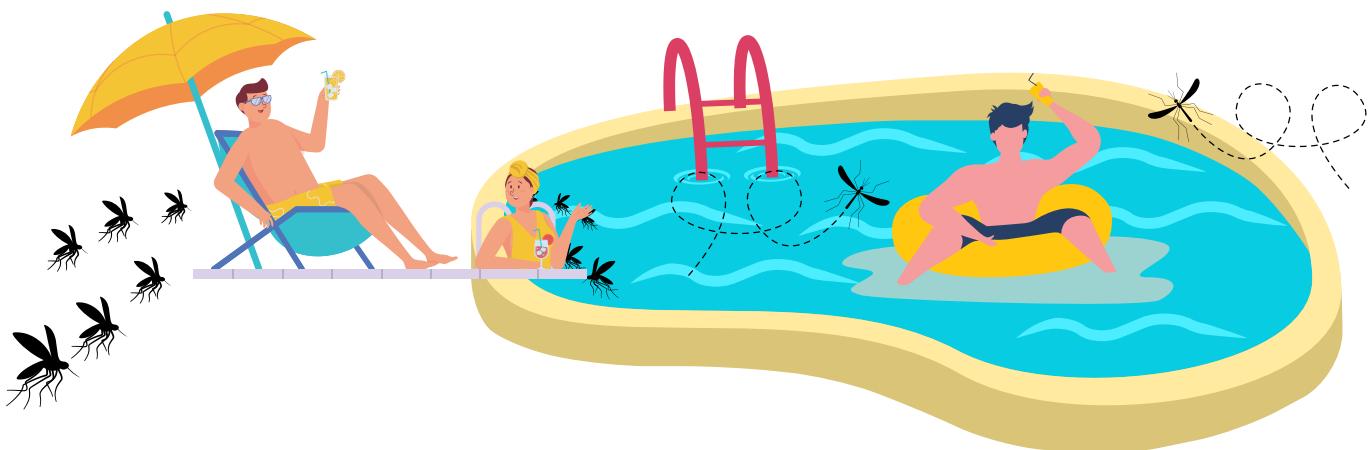


Poorly maintained swimming pools can create serious health risks for users. Humans, animals and the environment can contaminate pools with infectious organisms. In most cases these organisms cause mild illness, but some infections can be serious or potentially fatal.

Eastern Health Authority encourages home owners to take preventative measures in regards poorly maintained pools at home and to reduce mosquito breeding activity.

Tips to reduce the risks:

- Pool water must be regularly circulated and filtered. If the pool filter doesn't operate properly, chemicals can be added to keep the pool disinfected and clean.
- Keep pipes, filters and motors in good working order.
- Drain or use a pool cover when the pool is not in use to keep dirt, leaves and debris out, to minimise mosquito breeding, and to reduce water loss by evaporation.



t 8132 3600 **e** eha@eha.sa.gov.au **w** www.eha.sa.gov.au