

MANATEE COUNTY MOSQUITO CONTROL DISTRICT

Created by a special act of the legislature in 1947 (chapter 24677) for the purpose of reducing the threat caused by both nuisance and disease-vectoring mosquitoes throughout all the incorporated and unincorporated areas of Manatee County, Florida.

The creation act and subsequent special acts were codified into a single act in 2002 (chapter 2002-332, House Bill no. 397), with the original older acts then being repealed.

The District operates under Chapters 388 (Mosquito Control) and 189 (Special Districts) of the Florida Statutes. District personnel follow the Code of Ethics for Public Employees and Officers (Chapter 112.311 thru 112.326 of the Florida Statutes).

The District utilizes a fiscal year of October 1 thru September 30 and obtains its funding by levying Ad Valorem taxes (currently 0.1997 mills) against all property owners in Manatee County per the authority granted under Chapter 388.221 of the Florida Statutes.

Address (Single Facility Location):

**Manatee County Mosquito Control District
2317 2nd Avenue West, Palmetto, Florida 34221**

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Registered Agent/Primary Contact/Records Custodian:

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Publicly Elected Board of Mosquito Control Commissioners:

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(Public Board Meetings held at 9:00 AM on the 10th of each month at the District Facility unless the 10th falls on a weekend or holiday in which case it is held the preceding work day at 9:00 AM)