



Ochlerotatus mitchellae Biology

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Ochlerotatus mitchellae larvae are found in temporary rain-filled pools. The larvae are usually in shallow, clear, partly shaded rain-water pools which held water for moderately long periods. The pools usually contained grass and other emergent vegetation. Although the immature stages are rarely if ever found in salt marshes, its distribution seems to be limited largely to the coastal plains.

The females are rather severe biters. The adults are occasionally captured in our New Jersey Light traps. We typically find *Ochlerotatus mitchellae* in the late fall and then again in the spring in Brunswick County. We consider this mosquito to be of low importance to the citizens of Brunswick County.

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