

TICK -Tac-Toe Questions

Q. How many legs does an adult tick have?

A. Eight

Q. Which tick can carry Lyme disease?

A. Deer tick

Q. What is the most common symptom of Lyme disease?

A. Bulls-eye rash

Q. Name one way to safely remove a tick when it is attached to your skin.

A. With a tick spoon or tweezers

Q. How many different species of ticks are found in Maine?

A. 14

Q. What is the difference in the appearance between a deer tick and a dog tick?

A. A dog tick has a white scutum (or racing stripe) and a deer tick has a dark one

Q. Which stage of a tick is the most common to transmit Lyme disease?

A. Deer tick nymphs are the most common stage to transmit Lyme disease

Q. How do ticks move?

A. Walk

Q. Name one disease in Maine caused by a tick other than Lyme disease.

A. Anaplasmosis, Babesiosis, or Powassan

Q. Which tick is the most common in the spring and fall?

A. Deer ticks

Q. What part of the tick allows them to attach to skin?

A. Barbed beak

Q. What is another name for deer ticks?

A. Black Legged Ticks

Q. What kind of environment does a deer tick prefer to live in?

A. Protected areas like forests or edges of forests where the leaves provide protection from the weather

Q. What kind of habitat does a tick NOT like to live in?

A. Open, dry habitats

Q. During which months are dog ticks most active?

A. April-July

Q. Name a place on your body where a tick is more likely to settle and bite you.

A. Head, hairline, nape of the neck, armpits, waist, between your legs, thighs, and behind the knees.

Q. What are deer ticks scientifically classified as?

A. They're arachnids—along with mites, spiders, and scorpions

Q. Where is the scutum located?

A. On the back and near the head.

Q. Which months are deer tick nymphs most active?

A. June-August

Q. What role do deer, mice, or birds play in the transmission cycle?

A. A host

Q. Which two places do ticks usually wait for a person or animal to brush up against them?

A. On grass and shrubs.

Q. How do ticks get bacteria that can infect humans with a disease?

A. By biting and feeding on mice, birds, and other small animals that have the bacteria.

Q. How long will a tick carry bacteria?

A. For the rest of its life.

Q: True or False: Ticks have eyes.

A: False

Q. How does a person's skin typically react to a tick bite?

A. It will become red at the site of the bite and may be itchy.

Q. Where will a bulls-eye rash show up on the body?

A. Anywhere- it may not show up where the tick bit the skin.

Q. What type of colored clothing should be worn to see ticks?

A. Light

Q. Where should you walk on a trail to avoid ticks?

A. In the center

Q. What method can be used to kill ticks on clothing without repellent?

A. Placing clothes in the dryer on high heat.

Q. How often should tick checks be performed?

A. Daily

Q. How should ticks be disposed once removed from the skin?

A. They should be placed into a small container of rubbing alcohol.

Q. What types of areas on the body do ticks prefer?

A. Moist and dark places.

Q: What is the term for a tick in the transmission cycle?

A. Vector

Q: What stage in the lifecycle do ticks most often bite?

A: Nymph

Q: What type of infection is Powassan?

A: Virus

Q: What do ticks secrete when they bite?

A: Anticoagulant or antiesthetic