Tick Identification Service | Ohio Department of Health

The Ohio Department of Health accepts ticks (or photos of ticks) year-round for species identification. The CDC does not recommend testing ticks for diagnostic purposes. Call 614-752-1029 with any questions.







Submitting a Tick:

- Place the tick in a leak-proof container, such as a pill bottle. If the tick is alive, add a small drop of water. If the tick is dead, add a few drops of rubbing alcohol. Seal the container in a plastic bag.
- Complete the form below. Place the form and the tick in a padded envelope for shipping.
- Mail the tick to: Zoonotic Disease Program Tick ID
 Ohio Department of Health
 8995 East Main Street, Building 22

Reynoldsburg, OH 43068

• Instead of mailing the tick, photos can be sent to zoonoses@odh.ohio.gov along with the form below.

Visit https://ohio.gov/tick for information about ticks and tick-borne diseases in Ohio.

Tick submission kits with forms, tubes and padded envelopes are available to local health agencies upon request.

Tick Identification Submission Form	For Lab Use Only
Keep a copy of this completed form for your records.	Tick #: Date Received:
Date tick was found:	L N M F% Date Reported:
If found in Ohio, what county?	Identification:
If not in Ohio, what city/state?	Notes: A / D
Tick was found on (circle one): HUMAN → Age: Sex: DOG CAT OTHER:	
Was the tick attached & biting? (circle one): NO YES $\rightarrow \Box$ Less than 24 hours \Box 24+ hours \Box Unknown length of time	
Any travel in the 10 days prior to finding the tick? (circle one): NO YES \rightarrow Location(s):	
Submitted to ODH by health agency / clinic:	
Submitter's name:	Person who found the tick:
Address:	Address:
City/State/Zip:	City/State/Zip:
Phone:	Phone:
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