

Ticks

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Adult tick
before feeding



4mm long

Adult tick after
feeding



10mm long



Key facts

- Ticks can cause an allergic reaction and they spread tick-borne diseases.
- Ticks can latch on to a passing animal or person by crawling up the stems of grasses or along branches.



What to do after
visiting a known
tick area



Heat clothing
in drier



Search body
for ticks



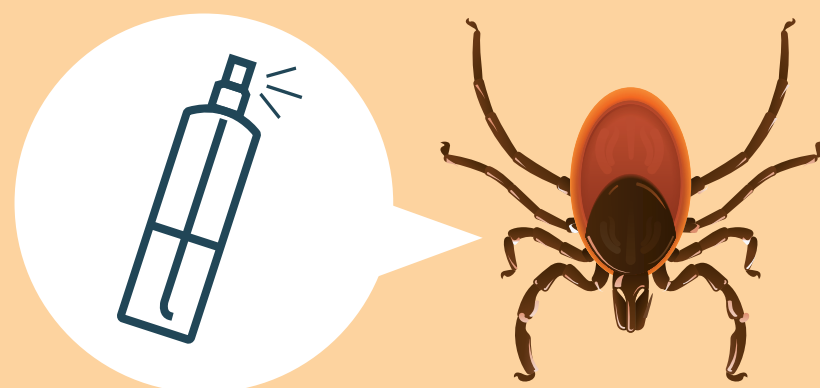
Check
children



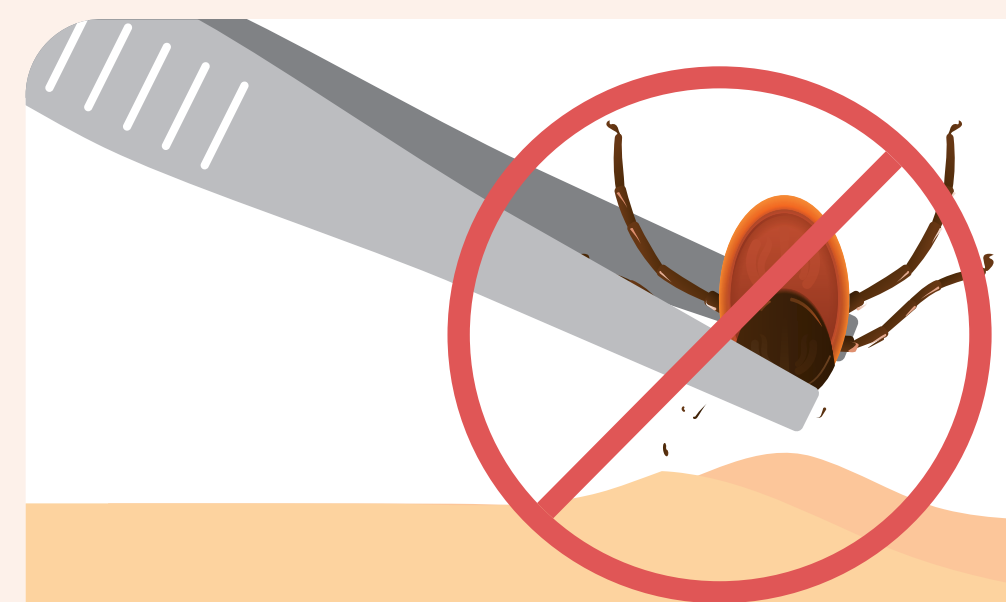
Check pets



How to
kill ticks



Kill the tick where it is, using
an ether-containing spray.



Wait for the tick to drop off.
Do not forcibly remove
the tick with tweezers.



Do not remove the tick - kill it with ether-containing spay. If you are allergic to ticks or have mammalian meat allergy seek medical help. If you or someone near you has trouble breathing or collapses after a tick bite, **call triple zero (000) and ask for an ambulance**. If you have access to an adrenaline autoinjector, administer it, and continue to follow the steps of an ASCIA allergy action plan, if one is available.