

# Tick Submissions

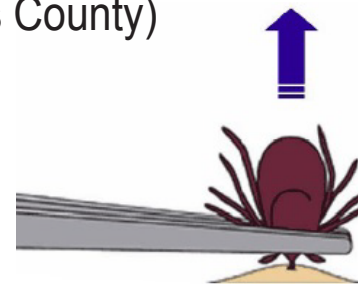
For medical diagnosis and treatment after a tick bite, please see a physician. HPEPH submits ticks to the lab for data collection purposes only (area of study includes Hastings County but excludes Prince Edward County).

## 🎯 If tick is removed **after 36 hours**:

1. Patient cleans bite area with soap and water and/or rubbing alcohol
2. **Patient contacts physician ASAP** → preventative treatment works best if given **promptly**
3. Patient submits tick to HPEPH (if acquired in Hastings County)

## 🎯 If tick is removed **within 36 hours**:

1. Little chance of infection
2. Patient cleans bite area with soap and water and/or rubbing alcohol
3. Patient submits tick to HPEPH (if acquired in Hastings County)
4. If symptoms\* appear within 32 days → **Patient contacts physician**



\*Consult available literature or ask to speak with a public health inspector

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