

## TAKE ACTION

- Use clean fine-point tweezers to immediately remove attached ticks by slowly pulling them straight out. Try not to twist or squeeze the tick.
- Wash the bite area with soap and water or alcohol-based sanitizer.
- Keep the tick in a closed container and bring it with you if you go see your health care provider.
- Contact your health provider if you're not feeling well or if you are concerned after being bitten by a tick.

For more information, visit:

Canada.ca/LymeDisease



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**Lyme disease** is spread by the bite of infected blacklegged ticks. These ticks are often found in and near areas with trees, shrubs, tall grass or piles of leaves.





## **PREVENT**

- Wear light coloured long-sleeved shirts and pants.
- Tuck your shirt into your pants, and your pants into your socks.
- ✓ Wear closed-toe shoes.
- Use bug spray with DEET or Icaridin (always follow label directions).
- ✓ Walk on cleared paths or walkways.
- You can also wear permethrin-treated clothing, now available in Canada (always follow label directions).



## **CHECK**

- Shower or bathe as soon as possible after being outdoors.
- Do a daily full body tick check on yourself, your children, your pets and your gear.
- Put your clothes in a dryer on high heat for at least 10 minutes.