

Protect Yourself and Your Pets from **ROCKY MOUNTAIN SPOTTED FEVER** *A potentially fatal tick-borne disease*

Tick Checks...Save Lives

Look for ticks **daily** on head, body, and clothes of **children, adults, and dogs.**

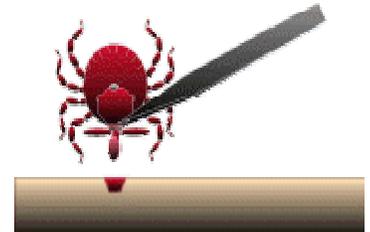
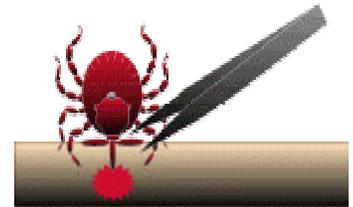


- Be alert for ticks after outdoor activities, especially during April-September.
- Contact a doctor if you develop illness (fever, rash) after working or playing in areas with ticks.

Tick Removal...Saves Lives

Remove attached ticks promptly:

- Use tweezers or protect bare hands with tissue or gloves, and grasp the tick close to the skin.
- Gently pull straight up until all parts of the tick are removed. **DON'T CRUSH** the removed tick; flush it down the toilet.
- Wash the bite well with soap and water.



Tick Control...Saves Lives

When working or playing in areas with ticks,

- Use repellent containing permethrin (for clothes) or DEET (for skin).
- Wear light-colored clothes that cover your arms and legs. Tuck your pant legs into your socks.



Control ticks on dogs by using tick-repellent medications, collars, or shampoos.

Cut back shrubs and remove unused furniture and garbage from around the home.

Questions or Concerns? Contact: _____