

PICK THE TICK

What makes these ticks trouble? Try your luck at our test and see!!



Check all that apply.



Black-legged Tick (*Ixodes scapularis*)

- Primary vector of Lyme Disease in Eastern US
- The first sign of a Lyme infection is usually a circular rash called “erythema migrans”
- A major vector of human granulocytic ehrlichiosis
- The adult is smaller than a poppy seed
- The female is larger than the male

Lone Star Tick (*Amblyomma americanum*)

- Becoming a major nuisance tick in Ohio
- Primary vector of Human Monocytic Ehrlichiosis
- The picture above is a female Lone Star Tick
- Animal hosts include small birds and rodents
- This tick is originally from Texas



American Dog Tick (*Dermacentor variabilis*)

- Primary vector of Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever
- Primary vector of Canine Heart Worm
- Most common tick encountered in Ohio
- Hats should be worn to protect you from these ticks, which jump out of trees onto hosts
- Primary animal host are canines

To find out how well you did, go to the **OMCA website - Ohiosmosquitocontrol.org.**

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