

## Differences between the Wood Tick and the Deer Tick

Does the tick have a black lower back in a U shape?  
 Yes                      No ->

Does the tick have a red lower back in a U shape?  
 Yes

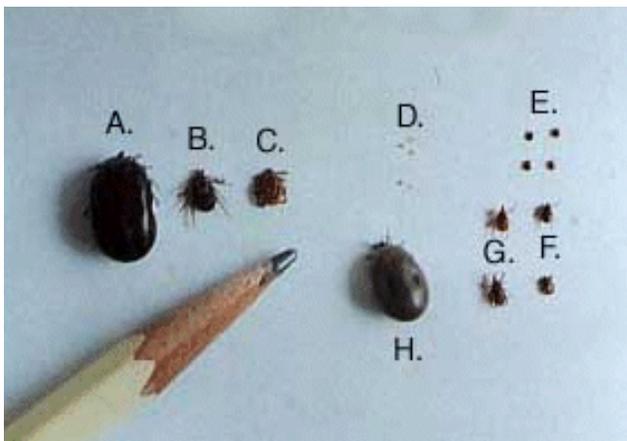


Dog Tick



Deer Tick

### Size comparisons of both the Dog (wood) Tick and the Deer Tick



**Wood Tick:** A: Engorged female B: Female C: Male

**Deer Tick:** D: Larvae, E: Nymphs, F: Males,  
 G: Females, H: Engorged female

### What is Lyme Disease?

Bacteria transmitted by the deer tick cause Lyme disease. Lyme disease may cause symptoms affecting the skin, nervous system, heart and/or joints of an individual.

### What can be done to prevent Lyme disease?

When in tick-infested habitat special precautions to prevent tick bites should be taken, such as wearing light-colored clothing (for easy tick discovery) and tucking pants into socks and shirt into pants. Consider the use of repellents. Check after every two to three hours of outdoor activity for ticks on clothing or skin. Brush off any ticks on clothing before skin attachment occurs. A thorough check of body surfaces for attached ticks should be done at the end of the day.