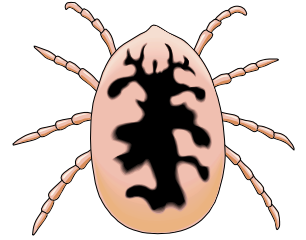


WOOD TICKS & DEER TICKS

Problems associated with various ticks have been widely reported throughout much of the country including the area surrounding Tomahawk Scout Reservation in Wisconsin. With proper planning and education, tick problems can be minimized. To assist troops with educating its campers, the staff at Tomahawk have prepared the following plan:



1. All campers should wear a good quality insect repellent when they are in the woods. The most effective repellent to combat ticks is one that contains 30% Deet (or permethrin).
2. Leaders may wish to bring spray type insect repellent so that it can be sprayed on clothes. Please do not let Scouts use aerosol sprays unsupervised because of potential dangers from misuse including damage to eyes and the flammability of the product.
3. Review tick information that is available in your camp program room. Share this information with the Scouts and leaders in your troop.
4. Make "tick checks" part of the daily routine at camp. Scouts should be reminded every day to check for ticks. Having a buddy such as a tentmate assist is a good idea. Regular showers will also help with early detection.
5. Distribute the parent tick information sheet to every Scout's parent upon your troop's return home. This is available in your program room and will be distributed at the Thursday afternoon roundtable.
6. See your camp health officer or camp director if you have additional questions.
7. If tick-related illness develops after camp, please report this information to the Indianhead Council 651-254-9136.

HAVE YOU CHECKED FOR TICKS TODAY?