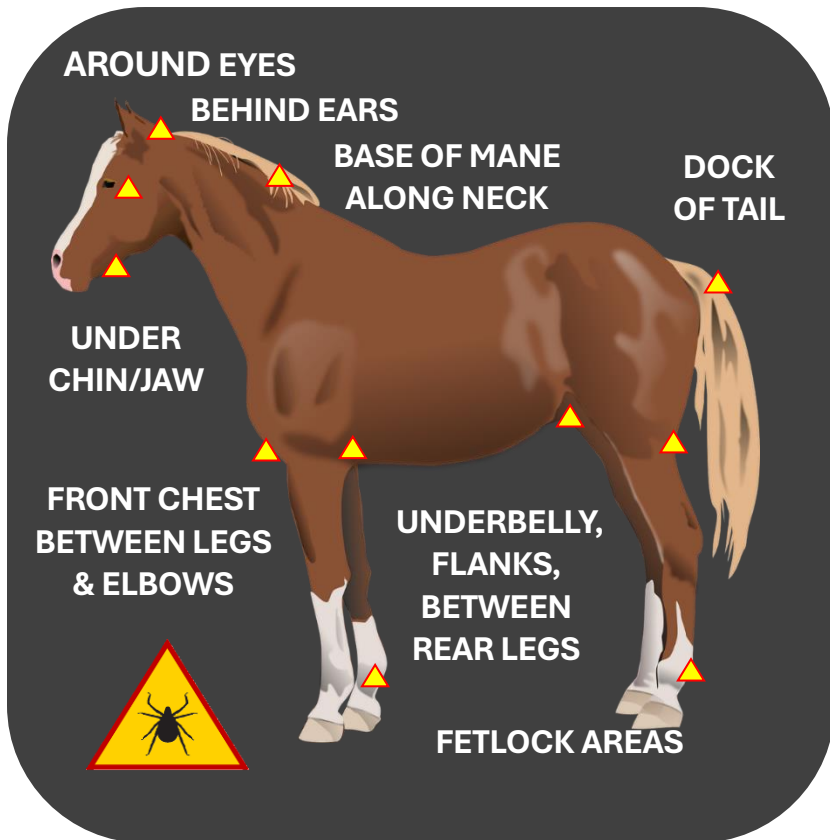


DO YOU KNOW TO PROTECT YOUR HORSE AGAINST TICKS?



PREVENT BITES

- Apply repellents frequently during peak tick activity periods (spring/ fall). Read the label to be sure it can be used on horses against ticks. Focus applications on legs, underside of belly, between legs and face.
- Check horse daily for ticks. Often feels like a small lump.
- Reduce tick habitat near and in pastures by mowing tall vegetation and provide a buffer free of brushy/tall vegetation along outside edge of fence.
- Stay on maintained trails and avoid riding through dense vegetation.



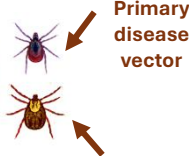
WATCH FOR ILLNESS

- Signs include fever, limb swelling, lameness, poor appetite, reluctance to move, incoordination, and more.
- Contact veterinarian for advice about preventatives and treatments.



COMMON TICKS

Blacklegged/deer tick
(*Ixodes scapularis*)



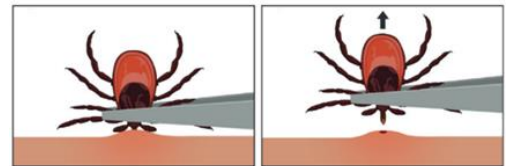
American dog/wood tick
(*Dermacentor variabilis*)

Adult ticks shown above.

Note: Tick species differ regionally.



IMMEDIATELY REMOVE TICK



Grab by the head at skin surface with fine-pointed tweezers, pull straight up and wash area with soap/antiseptic.



LEARN MORE!

VT-TIC: UVM Tick Information Center

