### **Tick Testing Order Form**



Only Ixodes scapularis (deer ticks or blacklegged ticks) are tested for Lyme disease &/or Babesiosis\*

Please fill out one form for **each** vial of ticks and send these, along with payment, to:

140 Welland Avenue, Unit 9

St. Catharines, Ontario L2R 2N6

Canada

The you accidentally send other tick species, you will be ch	arged for id	entincati	ou only (\$19	+⊓31 <i>)</i> .
Part A: Submission Details				
Name:	Phone:			
Address:	Email:			
	Fax:			
Part B: Tick Sample Information				
Vial Number:	Report should be sent by (please circle one):			
			fax	e-mail
Number of Ticks in the vial:				
	Testing requested:			
Date Collected MM/DD/YYYY:			Lyme only	
			Babesiosis o	nly
Date Sent MM/DD/YYYY:			Lyme & Bab	esiosis
The tick was (or ticks were) from (please circle one):	Dog	Cat	Other	
The tick was for ticks were; from (piease circle one).	Dog	Cat	Other	
Additional Information/Comments:				
Additional information, comments.				
Part C: Cost of Services				
Service	Fee	HST	Total	
Lyme testing only	\$69.00	\$8.97	\$77.97	
Babesiosis testing only	\$69.00	\$8.97	\$77.97	
Lyme & Babesiosis	\$99.00	\$12.87	\$111.87	
Surcharge for 48hr turnaround	\$75.00	\$9.75	\$84.75	
Identification only**	\$19.00	\$2.47	\$21.47	
** If the ticks submitted were NOT <i>Ixodes scapularis,</i> we v	vill adjust yc	our bill.		
			Total Due:	
Part D: Payment Information				
Name of Cardholder (as on card):				
Credit Card Number:	Credit Card Type:			
Credit Card Number.				
Expiry Date:	Signature:			
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## Tick Testing Service



### **DISCLAIMER AND LIMITATION OF LIABILITY**

While Entomogen takes care in preparing identification reports for clients, it does not warrant that the information provided will be free of errors or omissions or that it will be suitable for your purposes. Entomogen will not be responsible for the results of any actions taken by you or any other person on the basis of the information contained in the identification report or any opinions expressed in it.

All terms, conditions and warranties (including any warranty as to merchantable quality or fitness for purpose) implied by common law or statute ("implied warranties") as to the manner, quality and timing of the identification services are excluded unless the exclusion of any such implied warranties would contravene the law. Entomogen's liability to you for a breach of any conditions or implied warranties is limited at Entomogen's option either to re-perform the identification service or to refund the fees paid for the service.

Sometimes the specimen(s) sent may not be suitable for identification due to missing or damaged body parts. In such cases, we reserve the right to decline a request for identification. If the shipment is to be returned to the sender, we will deduct the return shipping cost from the pre-payment and refund the balance.

### TICK TESTING TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- Entomogen Inc. normally charges for identifications and information provided.
- Entomogen Inc. aims to complete testing within 5-7 days of receipt of both the sample and payment.
- Work that requires greater urgency (e.g., 48hr turnaround) will have a surcharge of \$75 added.
- Specimens sent to us for identification and Lyme and/or Babesiosis testing should be in good condition (as complete as possible) and properly packaged.
- If samples are tested for Lyme or Babesiosis, we verify that they are Ixodes scapularis (at no extra charge).
- Entomogen Inc. provides PCR testing services for the detection of *Borrelia burgdorferi* (Lyme Disease spirochete) and for *Babesia microti* (Babesiosis). This testing is performed on *Ixodes scapularis* ticks only.
- Multiple Ixodes scapularis ticks from the same animal can be pooled together for testing.
- Any non-Ixodes scapularis ticks (such as Dermacentor variabilis, the dog tick) that are received will not be tested. They will be retained for 14 days. Please contact us prior to the expiration of the 14th day if you want your tick returned. Any remaining ticks will be discarded.
- Entomogen Inc. reserves the right to decline a request for services.

# **Instructions for Submitting Ticks**



### **HOW TO COLLECT TICK SAMPLES**

Use fine-tipped tweezers to grab the tick as close to the skin's surface as possible.

Pull upward with steady, even pressure. Don't twist or jerk the tick as this can cause the mouth-parts to break off and remain in the skin. If this happens, remove the mouth-parts with tweezers.

After removing the tick, thoroughly clean the bite area and your hands with rubbing alcohol, an iodine scrub, or soap and water.

Do **not** rely on removal tips such as covering the tick with petroleum jelly, or using heat to make the tick detach from the skin.

Your goal is to remove the tick as quickly as possible. The longer the tick remains attached, the greater the chance it can pass on a pathogen.

#### **HOW TO PACKAGE AND SUBMIT TICK SAMPLES**

Ticks WILL NOT be tested if placed in alcohol or on tape.

Place tick(s) in a vial, then in a ziplock bag, and then in a padded envelope or crushproof box.

### **HOW TO SUBMIT TICK SAMPLES**

- 1. Fill out the form with as much information as possible. Please write in pencil or permanent ink that will resist smearing in case the form gets wet. Please make sure your name is clearly marked on all items.
- 2. Place the tick(s) in a vial or plastic pill bottle.
- 3. Place the form and vial containing the tick(s) inside a ziplock baggie.
- 4. Place this into a padded envelope or crushproof box.
- 5. Mail, courier or deliver samples to Entomogen Inc. as quickly as possible to:

Entomogen Inc.

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If you have any questions, please call 905-641-3468 or email us at info@entomogen.ca