Tick or Insect Submission Form

Please read the following before submitting the tick or insect:

- Public Health does not test ticks/insects for the presence of harmful microorganisms.
- Ticks/insects from humans, pets and other animals will be accepted for identification.
- Only blacklegged ticks involved in human exposures, and from within the borders of Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph Public Health, will be forwarded to Health Canada for testing.
- Live ticks/insects will not be accepted for identification.
- Please allow two (2) business days for a response.
- Ticks/insects submitted on tape, in paper towels, or with other items will not be accepted.

To prepare ticks/insects:

- Put live ticks/insects with a small amount of rubbing alcohol in a clear container that has a tight-fitting screw-top lid, OR
- Put ticks/insects into a freezer for at least 12 hours prior to submitting.

Date of Submission: ______________________________________________________
Name of Submitter: ______________________________________________________
Telephone Number or Email Address: ________________________________________
Where was the tick/insect picked up? Please be as detailed as possible.
Township and City/Town: __________________________________________________
Address/Intersection: _____________________________________________________
Park/trail: ______________________________________________________________
Other: ________________________________________________________________
Tick/Insect Attached or Biting: YES □  NO □
Tick/Insect Attached to:  Person □  Dog □  Other □
Date Tick/Insect Removed: _______________________________________________

Tick testing is done for the purposes of identification and surveillance in Wellington and Dufferin Counties and is not meant to serve diagnostic or clinical purposes. WDG Public Health is committed to providing effective services in order to protect the health of individuals, families and communities. If you believe you or someone you know is at risk from a tick bite, contact your healthcare provider immediately.

The information on this form is collected under the authority of the Health Promotion and Protection Act (HPPA) and in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection Personal Information Act (MFIPPA). By completing this form, you are consenting to the collection and use of your personal information by Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph Public Health for the delivery of public health programs and services. Information collected will be de-identified and used as aggregate data for passive surveillance to identify the level of risk in our area, in compliance with legal and regulatory requirements. Any questions about the collection of this information should be addressed to the Chief Privacy Officer at 1-800-265-7293 ext. 2975.