Tick facts for pet parents!

Bite-sized tips for protecting your pets during tick season.



Whether your pet spends a lot of time outdoors or gets an occasional romp outside, it's important to protect them from ticks year-round. These tips will help you and your pet stay safe.

So many diseases; one tiny little insect

Ticks can transmit diseases like Cytauxzoonosis, Lyme disease, Ehrlichia, Anaplasmosis and Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever. Some of these can affect both pets AND humans!

Mass reproduction

Although fertility varies between species of ticks, one female tick can lay approximately 5,000 eggs! See your family veterinarian about getting your pet on a tick preventative.

One size does not fit all

Different species of ticks call for different strategies to keep them off pets – and you. Talk to your family veterinarian about the types of ticks in your area and how to keep them away.

Hard to detect

Since signs of tick-borne disease are difficult to recognize in both pets and people, simple preventive measures are key. Talk to your family veterinarian.

The temperature is rising

Warm weather is here! If you've taken a break from tick preventives, it's time to start again.

Keep an eye out

Loss of appetite, lameness and/or lethargy can be signs of tick-borne diseases. Be sure to see your family veterinarian if your pet has these symptoms!

It's in their blood

Some pets will not show symptoms of Lyme disease or other tick-borne infections. A simple blood test performed by your family veterinarian can be a more accurate way to know if your pet is sick.

An ounce of prevention

Lyme disease is treated with antibiotics and sometimes other drugs. The bacteria can remain in the body long-term and create flare-ups. Vaccination and prevention are the best ways to avoid the disease.

Don't wait

If left untreated, Lyme disease can cause permanent kidney, neurologic, and cardiac disease. Be sure you speak with your family veterinarian about preventing these illnesses.

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Contact your family veterinarian with any questions about protecting your pets from ticks year-round.