

What is MiITICK?

MiITICK (Military Tick Identification/Infection Confirmation Kit) is a free tick testing and identification service available to Department of Defense (DoD) beneficiaries and their dependents. Formerly known as the DoD Human Tick Test Kit Program, this service is provided by the Vector-Borne Disease Branch at the Defense Centers for Public Health – Aberdeen, located at Aberdeen Proving Ground, MD.



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What does MiITICK do?

Ticks can be submitted to MiITICK by eligible individuals using the decision tree below. Only human-biting ticks are eligible for testing. Once MiITICK receives a tick, MiITICK staff will:

- ☑ Identify the species of tick
- ☑ Assess how long the tick was attached to a human
- ☑ Test the tick for human pathogens (e.g., those that cause Lyme disease, Rocky Mountain spotted fever, etc.)

Results of MiITICK testing will be reported back by **email** to the point of contact provided on the MiITICK submission form within two weeks. Results will be used to track risks associated with tick bites, and can also be used as a “first alert” for patients who wish to seek medical guidance and/or treatment for possible exposure to tick-borne disease.

Who can submit a tick?

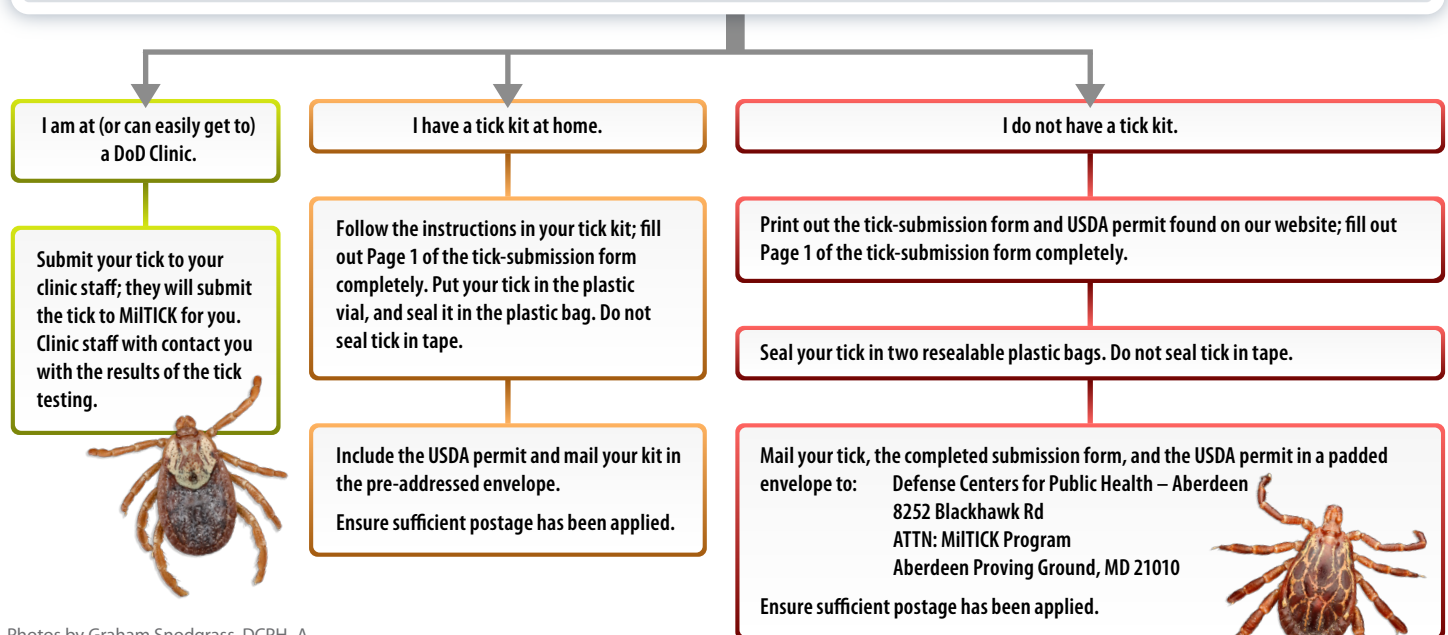
Individuals **across all DoD Services** in the following categories are eligible to submit ticks to MiITICK:

- ☑ Active Duty Service Members
- ☑ National Guard
- ☑ Reservists
- ☑ Retired Service Members
- ☑ Civilians, including Army Corps of Engineers
- ☑ Contractors
- ☑ Dependents, including spouses, parents, or children of all above categories



To determine the fastest way to submit your tick to MiITICK, follow the decision tree below.

I am eligible, and found a tick on myself or my dependent! How do I submit a tick for testing?



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Contact the MiITICK team with questions or to order Tick Kits:

Phone: (410) 436-5425 or (410) 436-5421

Email: dha.apg.Pub-Health-A.mbx.tickcom@health.mil

Visit the CAC-enabled data dashboard at <https://carepoint.health.mil/sites/ENTO/miltick>

Visit the MiITICK website at <https://phc.health.miltopics/entomology/kits/Pages/HumanTickTestKitProgram.aspx>

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