

## Submission Form:

*Complete this form, print it, and mail with the samples.*

### When was the tick(s) found?

Date tick(s) found: \_\_\_\_\_ Time of day: \_\_\_\_\_

### Location of tick(s)?

City: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_ State: MO

GPS coordinates, if possible (longitude/latitude)\*: \_\_\_\_\_

*\* If you own a smartphone, you can attain longitude/latitude by opening the Google Maps app, touch the area you are located until you see a red pin appear, the coordinates will appear either in the search box at the top or below under marked location.*

**Where was the tick(s) found?** *(e.g., on yourself, on your clothing, pet, or somewhere else)*

**If the tick(s) was found on someone's skin, was it embedded?** *(e.g., it had to be physically pulled out of your skin)*

**If the tick(s) was found on a pet, was it embedded in the pet's skin?** *(e.g., it had to be physically pulled out of the skin)*

**If the tick(s) was found on a pet, do you treat your pet with flea/tick products?**

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#### Disclaimer:

By sending you this tick, I release the A.T. Still University, the Department of Microbiology & Immunology, and their staff and employees of any liability with regards to the outcome of testing or any findings in perpetuity.

The laboratory of Deb Hudman at the A.T. Still University will identify and test the tick(s) I submit for the presence of DNA associated with disease-causing pathogens. These tests are not intended to provide clinical diagnosis of disease and they should not be interpreted as a substitute for clinical testing or consultation with a physician.

Results from my submissions will be used to determine the presence of tick species and their pathogens by county for the state of Missouri. Accordingly, this information will be shared with the public and health agencies that may request it. The shared data is completely anonymous.

## Submission Instructions:

1. Download, print, and fill out a submission form and address an envelope to:

A.T. Still University  
Deb Hudman, Senior Research Associate  
Dept. of Microbiology & Immunology  
800 W. Jefferson St.  
Kirksville, MO 63501



2. Place each tick sample into a plastic zip top bag with a piece of damp paper towel or cotton ball.

*Note, the size of the zip top bag may vary AND the paper towel or cotton ball does not need to be dripping wet, just moist.*



3. Fold the bag containing the tick sample and place inside another plastic zip top bag with the completed sample submission form.



4. Place this bag into the addressed envelope and mail.

*Note, one stamp should be sufficient postage.*

