HOW TO SUBMIT A TICK FOR TESTING

WHAT INFORMATION SHOULD BE SUBMITTED WITH THE TICK?

The top part of the Tick Submission Form should be completely filled out and packaged along with your tick. Please read the entire form carefully to ensure you are providing the proper information. Print clearly.

HOW SHOULD TICKS BE PREPARED FOR SENDING?

Preparing the tick:

- Do not place the tick on tape.
- Ticks should be placed in a crush-proof container, but if one is not available a sealed plastic bag will suffice.
- Do not package the tick in glass or in other fragile containers.
- Do not package the tick with any objects.
- Tiny nymphal ticks may be easily handled with a cotton ball or cotton pad.
- Do not place the tick in any solution. This includes substances like water and alcohol. All ticks should be submitted dry.

Preparing the envelope:

- The crush-proof container housing the tick should be tightly sealed and packaged in a padded envelope.
- If a padded envelope is not available, a small sheet of bubble wrap can be added to a regular envelope to help protect the tick from being damaged.
- Clearly mark the envelope “TICK” and have the mail carrier hand stamp/sort.

WHERE SHOULD TICK SAMPLES BE SENT?

Greenwich Department of Health Laboratory
101 Field Point Road
Greenwich, CT 06830

Samples may also be dropped off in-person at the Laboratory located at the above address on the ground floor.

Please enclose payment (see Laboratory Fee schedule). Checks are made out to “Town of Greenwich”

HOW ARE RESULTS COMMUNICATED?

Results are communicated via e-mail. Be sure that you clearly print your email address on the submission form. Any questions? Call us at 203-622-7843.