

SPRAY SAFE  PLAY SAFE

Ticks In Your Yard?

The Riskiest Yards Have:



To learn the most effective ways to
reduce ticks in your yard, visit:

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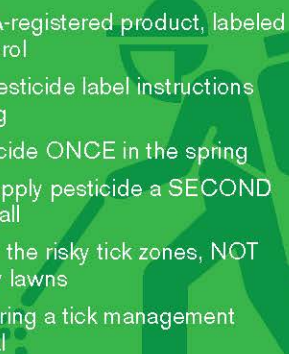
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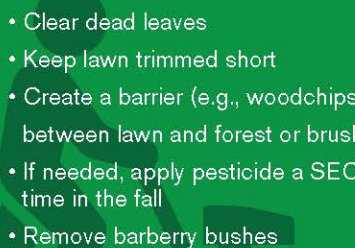
Keep Your Family Safe From Ticks.

Plan an effective tick reduction strategy:


Apply an Effective Pesticide

- Use an EPA-registered product, labeled for tick control
 - Follow all pesticide label instructions and warning
 - Apply pesticide ONCE in the spring
 - If needed, apply pesticide a SECOND time in the fall
 - Treat ONLY the risky tick zones, NOT open, sunny lawns
 - Consider hiring a tick management professional
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Manage Your Landscape

- Clear dead leaves
 - Keep lawn trimmed short
 - Create a barrier (e.g., woodchips) between lawn and forest or brushy edge
 - If needed, apply pesticide a SECOND time in the fall
 - Remove barberry bushes
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Discourage Deer Visits

- Select deer-resistant plantings
 - Install deer fencing
 - Avoid feeding deer
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