In Ontario, blacklegged ticks can carry and transmit Lyme disease. Blacklegged ticks can be found in woody, bushy areas and tall grasses. Infected ticks need to be attached for at least 24 hours to transmit Lyme disease. It is important to remove a tick as soon as possible.

Symptoms of Lyme disease may include; expanding skin rash, fever, chills, headache, fatigue, muscle and joint pain and facial paralysis.

Seek medical attention immediately if any symptoms develop.

For more information including a map of known areas for blacklegged ticks see www.regionofwaterloo.ca/fightthebite or call 519-575-4400 | (TTY) 519-575-4608