Ticks

As the most commonly encountered hazardous pest aboard MCB Quantico, ticks are active from early spring through late fall. Besides causing a persistent, itchy swelling, several species of ticks carry diseases that may be transmitted to humans through their bites. Disease causing micro-organisms reside in the gut of the tick for all or part of their life cycle and are passed to humans and other hosts while the tick is attached and feeding.

Using a DEET-based insect repellent on the skin and a permethrin-based insecticide on clothing is effective in preventing tick bites.

Other precautions that can help reduce chances of being bitten include:

- Tucking pant legs into socks or boots, shirts into pants
- Taping the area where pants and boots meet
- Checking yourself frequently for infestations

If bitten:

- Remove attached ticks promptly by grasping the tick by the head with tweezers and gently pulling them free
- Do not apply hot matches, nail polish, or chemicals to the tick
- Do not squeeze or crush the body, as this may expel micro-organisms from the tick's gut
- Clean the bite area with soap and water, or alcohol and watch it for several days for signs of rash or infection
- If a rash or other symptoms develop, see a physician

Additional Information

The park is open from dawn to dark for picnicking, fishing, and nature trail walks. Camping is available year-round, by contacting the Lunga office.

Since this is a family campground, please adhere to the speed limit (15 mph - road, 5 mph - campground) and quiet hours (2100-0600). Pets must be leashed.

Lunga Office	**703-784-5270**
After-hours Assistance Security Battalion	**703-784-2251**
Emergencies	**911**

Lunga Park Hours

SPRING ***(Mid April - Memorial Day)***

	General Store	Boat Issue
Mon	Closed	Closed
Tue	Closed	Closed
Wed-Fri	1100-1900	Closed
Saturday	0700-1900	0700-1900
Sunday	1100-1900	1100-1900

SUMMER ***(Memorial Day - Labor Day)***

	General Store	Boat Issue
Mon	Closed	Closed
Tue	0800-1630	Closed
Wed-Fri	0800-1900	1100-1900
Sat	0700-2000	0700-2000
Sun	1100-1900	1100-1900

FALL ***(Labor Day - Columbus Day)***

	General Store	Boat Issue
Mon	Closed	Closed
Tue	Closed	Closed
Wed-Fri	1100-1900	Closed
Sat	0700-1900	0700-1900
Sun	1100-1900	1100-1900

WINTER ***(Columbus Day - Mid April)***

The General Store and Boat Issue are closed.
The office is open for campsite reservations
Monday through Friday, 0700-1530.
For more information call 703-784-5270.

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