



## INSECT / SPIDER SUBMISSION FORM: IDENTIFICATION

Send your insect, mite, or spider specimens with this completed form to:

UMaine Extension DRL  
Insect ID Lab  
17 Godfrey Drive  
Orono, ME 04473-3692

**Contact Information:**

UMaine Extension Diagnostic & Research Laboratory  
1-800-287-0279 (within Maine)  
extension.InsectID@maine.edu

### How to submit an insect specimen for proper identification:

- All insects (excluding butterflies and moths), spiders and mites should ideally be placed in a small leak-proof container with enough rubbing alcohol to cover the specimen(s) for preservation.
- Butterflies and moths should be packed in tissue or cotton for best possible preservation.
- You can mail or drop off specimens at your local County Extension Office or at the Pest Management Unit's Insect ID Lab.
- **IMPORTANT:** Please do not submit floor sweepings, vacuum cleaner contents or specimens from the body (although ticks, suspected nits and lice will be accepted). Due to potential health risks to our diagnosticians, we CANNOT accept bodily fluids or other human debris. We are happy to work with a physician to identify any arthropod pest, but submissions of that nature MUST come directly from a physician.

**Please Provide:**

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City/Town: \_\_\_\_\_ State+Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address (our preferred mode of contact): \_\_\_\_\_  
Collection Date (approximate date is fine): \_\_\_\_\_ Submission Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Collection Location if known: \_\_\_\_\_ (town/township/territory) in \_\_\_\_\_ (State)

**Please provide the following information about your specimen(s):**

Location of specimen(s)? (forest, kitchen, bathroom, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_  
What was the specimen(s) on or in, specifically? (white pine, rose bush, sink, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_  
Approximately how many specimens were found? \_\_\_\_\_  
Describe damage, if any: \_\_\_\_\_  
Additional Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
Treatment preferences? (if warranted) (e.g. organic-only, least toxic, most effective) \_\_\_\_\_  
Do you have children or pets in the home? \_\_\_\_\_  
Submitted By County Educator? \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_

Please 'cc' identification report to: \_\_\_\_\_

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