

# Permethrin Use for Outdoor Workers

## What is permethrin?

- EPA-registered insecticide that kills ticks on contact
- No smell, not visible on clothing, and will not damage items
- Lasts through multiple washings



## What can be treated?

- Pants
- Socks
- Shoes
- Shirts
- Hats
- Bandanas
- Jackets
- Sweaters
- Work gear

## Safety information

- Permethrin is safe for people when used according to product label.
- It has been used since the 1970's as a clothing treatment to prevent bites from ticks, mosquitoes, and flies.
- Use of permethrin is harmful to bees and fish.
- Do not spray on clothing/work gear while being worn or near flowers or water sources.
- **Do not spray directly on skin and wear gloves while applying.**
- **Read label and follow instructions.**

## Where to buy permethrin

- Purchase from outdoor stores, hardware stores, online.
- Spray your own clothing/work gear or buy pre-treated items.

Scan here for more information on permethrin safety:

