



## **TECHNICAL BULLETIN**

**NEW TEST**    **TEST CHANGE**

NOTIFICATION DATE: 05/20/2022

EFFECTIVE DATE: 05/20/2022

### **Insect Identification (INSECT ID)**

On the effective date, Insect Identification (INSECT ID) will no longer be performed at Northwell Health Laboratories. This test will now be performed at Quest Diagnostics Nichols Institute. The Test Code will change from P INSECT to INSECT ID.

<b>Test Requirement/Parameters</b>	<b>New</b>	<b>Previous</b>
<b>Method</b>	Microscopic and Macroscopic Examination	Microscopic and Macroscopic Examination
<b>Specimen Requirements</b>	70% alcohol preserved tick, insect, larva, etc. collected in a plastic sterile leak-proof container.	Submit entire insect in a screw-capped container or tube. Forward promptly at ambient temperature.
<b>Specimen Stability</b>	Room Temperature or Refrigerated dependent on organism integrity Frozen is unacceptable	Submit at Room Temperature
<b>Reference Range</b>	See Separate Report	See Separate Report
<b>Computer Interface Code</b>	<b>PDM #225436</b>	<b>PDM #6201284</b>
<b>Test Order</b>	<b>INSECT ID</b>	<b>P INSECT</b>

**If you have any questions, please contact Client Services at (516) 719-1100.**