

## WHAT YOU SHOULD DO

Insect repellent must always be applied by a person authorized to do so. Under no circumstances should children be allowed to apply insect repellent themselves, regardless of their age.

When you go outdoors with the children, you must

- apply the precautionary measures; and
- follow the steps below to apply the insect repellent :
  - use simple words to explain to the child the relationship between the situation, the insect repellent being applied and the expected results ;
  - wash your hands before handling the product ;
  - read the product label carefully before applying, and make sure that the DEET concentration is less than 10% and that the product does not contain sunscreen ;
  - it is preferable to wear gloves to apply the product ;
    - use single-use gloves and change gloves if a child has broken skin, such as insect bites (which often lead to a secondary infection), to eliminate the risk of transmitting a skin infection to another child ;
    - put a small amount of the product in your hand, apply it sparingly to exposed areas only or to clothing, only at the nape of the neck and ankles, as far as possible ;
    - make sure the children do not touch the areas to which the insect repellent has been applied. If they do touch these areas, they should wash their hands with soapy water ; and
    - wash your hands after applying the insect repellent to all the children in the group, even if you wore gloves to apply it.

Wash the treated skin with soap and water when the children come inside or when protection is no longer needed. This is particularly important if insect repellent is applied several times in the same day or on several consecutive days.

## AUTHORIZATION FORM FOR THE APPLICATION OF INSECT REPELLENT

A parent is not required to consent to the application of this Protocol. However, if a parent does not sign the authorization form, insect repellent may not be applied to a child unless the parent and a member of the Collège des médecins du Québec give written authorization. A

parent may limit the period of validity of the authorization by indicating the duration of the authorization in the space provided.

I hereby authorize \_\_\_\_\_  
(name of day care centre)  
to use on my child, in accordance with this Protocol,  
insect repellent sold under the following brand name :

\_\_\_\_\_  
Brand name, form (lotion, cream, gel, non-aerosol or aerosol spray) and concentration of the active ingredient DEET

\_\_\_\_\_  
Child's surname and given name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorization period

\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent's signature Date

This Protocol was prepared by the Ministère de l'Emploi, de la Solidarité sociale et de la Famille and approved by a working group composed of representatives from the health and social services network and childcare services. The information it contains reflects the state of knowledge on the subject in 2003.”.

**22.** This Regulation comes into force on 1 June 2004.

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## M.O., 2004-002

### Order of the Minister of the Environnement dated 20 April 2004

Ecological Reserves Act  
(R.S.Q., c. R-26.1)

Respecting the revocation of the plans of five proposed ecological reserves

WHEREAS, under section 4 of the Ecological Reserves Act (R.S.Q., c. R-26.1), the following five areas were set aside with a view to establishing an ecological reserve :

- the proposed Chicobi ecological reserve ;
- the proposed Coleraine ecological reserve ;
- the proposed Manche-d'Épée ecological reserve ;
- the proposed Léon-Provancher ecological reserve ;
- the proposed Lac-Malakisis ecological reserve (western and north-eastern portions) ;

WHEREAS, under section 86 of the Natural Heritage Conservation Act (2002, c. 74), that Act replaced the Ecological Reserves Act (R.S.Q., c. R-26.1);

WHEREAS, under section 88 of the Natural Heritage Conservation Act (R.S.Q., c. C-61.01), the proposed ecological reserves in whose respect a notice was published in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* before 19 December 2002 are maintained, are deemed to have been set aside, in accordance with Title III of the Act, for a period of 4 years beginning on 19 December 2002, and the Minister of the Environment has one year to have the Government approve their conservation plan;

WHEREAS the five proposed ecological reserves listed above are residual portions of larger areas that had been set aside, the majority of which have been established as ecological reserves;

WHEREAS the Minister of the Environment does not envisage assigning permanent protection status to that excess land;

WHEREAS it therefore appears neither necessary to propose a conservation plan for each of those five proposed ecological reserves nor appropriate to maintain the temporary protection status of the five areas;

WHEREAS, under section 32 of the Natural Heritage Conservation Act, land ceases to be set aside when permanent protection status is assigned, when the term for which the land has been set aside expires, or on publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* of a notice of revocation of the plans by the Minister, with the approval of the Government;

WHEREAS, by Order in Council 1364-2003 dated 17 December 2003, the Government authorized the Minister of the Environment to terminate the setting aside of the land of the five proposed ecological reserves by the publication of a notice of revocation of their respective plans in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*;

THEREFORE, the Minister of the Environment hereby orders as follows:

(1) the plans of the following five proposed ecological reserves are revoked:

- the proposed Chicobi ecological reserve;
- the proposed Coleraine ecological reserve;
- the proposed Manche-d'Épée ecological reserve;
- the proposed Léon-Provancher ecological reserve;
- the proposed Lac-Malakisis ecological reserve (western and north-eastern portions);

(2) the revocation takes effect on the date of publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* of the notice referred to in section 32 of the Natural Heritage Conservation Act.

Québec, 20 April 2004

THOMAS J. MULCAIR,  
*Minister of the Environment*

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