

Floods

Parks, public spaces and yards located in flood zones

- Do not use parks, public spaces or yards located in flood zones until debris has been removed.

Contact with contaminated water (e.g. containing bacteria and viruses, chemical product residue) can cause allergies (dermatitis) and infections, especially if there is a wound or skin problem.

Follow these precautions to make sure that children can play outside safely.

- It is recommended not to let kids play in contaminated water or in yards or fields that have been flooded until the ground is dry. Drying out soil and sun will eliminate germs on the surface.
- However, if children have to walk over flooded ground, they should wear rubber boots and appropriate clothes.
- To avoid risks of gastroenteritis, basic hygiene measures still apply, such as washing hands often especially before eating.
- It is also recommended to keep a close eye on young children, since they tend to put objects into their mouths.

**If you have health questions, call
Info-Santé or Info-Social at 8-1-1
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