



RACCOON RABIES

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

"TRAP-VACCINATE-RELEASE"-TYPE OPERATION FOR WILD ANIMALS IN YOUR MUNICIPALITY IN 2026

Since March 2026, raccoon rabies cases have increased significantly across Montérégie and Estrie.

To prevent the spread of rabies toward urban areas, the Gouvernement du Québec teams will carry out an additional "trap-vaccinate-release"-type vaccination operation.

To ensure the safety of the population and the success of the operation, residents must:

- Keep domestic animals indoors or under supervision to prevent them from being captured in cages;
- Avoid approaching the cages and never attempt to feed or release a captured animal.

Rabies can be prevented by adopting safe behaviours

- **Avoid** contact with wild or unknown animals.
- If you have been bitten or scratched by a wild animal, or have come into contact with its saliva, clean the wound for 10 to 15 minutes. Then contact Info-Santé 811.
- **Do not relocate** wild or stray animals; they could spread rabies to new areas. This is prohibited in your municipality.
- **Have your pet vaccinated** against rabies by consulting your veterinarian.
- **Report** aggressive, disoriented, paralyzed or dead raccoons, skunks or foxes in Estrie or Montérégie.

For more information

Call 1-877-346-6763 or

visit Quebec.ca/raccoonrabies.